Principal Chief Muscogee (Creek) Nation



Executive Branch
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Speaker Lucian Tiger and Members of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council:

We are pleased to present the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Executive Branch FY 2018 First Quarterly Report. The report includes information during this past quarter and the strategic goals for the departments. Our goal is to allow our citizens to see areas where improvement has been made, and to objectively measure our improvements this year.

We appreciate our staff and the Nation's departments for their hard work in compiling this report. It is a great honor to serve the people of this great Nation. We welcome further input from the staff and from the National Council to prepare future reports that reflects an even better job of providing information.

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Principal Chief

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY – Linda Roe, Controller

The Department of Treasury assisted auditors with finalizing the yearly audit for Tribal and Health programs as required by federal agencies and tribal law.

During the fourth quarter, the Accounting Department issued 18,283 accounts payable checks (13,469 Tribal and 4,814 Health) totaling \$44,235,048.76. The Office of Management and Budgets issued 358 travel authorizations (322 Tribal and 36 Health) and 1,391 purchase orders (943 Tribal and 448 Health). The total number of employees for the fourth quarter was 2,689 (1,798 Tribal and 891 Health), an increase of 85 employees from the third quarter and 832 at the end of fiscal year 2016.

The total payroll cost for the fourth quarter was \$18,393,718.67, which is an decrease of \$2,660,185.96 from the third quarter.

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation (MCN, or the Nation) had 97 federal grants/contracts at the end of the fourth quarter. The following is a breakdown of the number of grants/contracts by federal agencies:

Dept. of Health & Human Services: 31
Dept. of Education: 9
Dept. of Interior: 27
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Dept. of Dept. of Transportation: 2
Institute of Museum & Library: 1
Office of District Attorney: 1

Dept. of Justice: 9

Environmental Protection Agency: 4

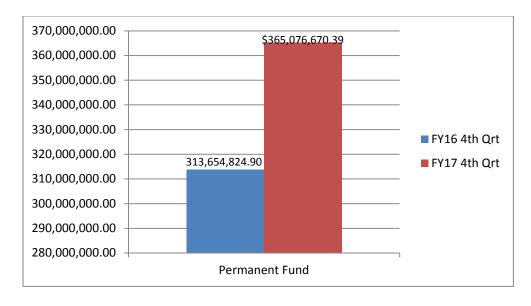
Dept. of Agricultural: 6

Dept. of the Treasury: 1

Housing & Urban Development: 5 Dept. of Labor: 1

MCN appropriated supplemental funds totaling \$1,691,916.91 during the fourth quarter as compared to \$5,631,042.61 for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2016. Total appropriated supplemental funds for FY17 is \$11,907,390.45.

At the end of the fourth quarter the permanent fund had \$365,076,670.39.



Below is a breakdown of the gaming revenue received from October 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016 (FY 2016) and October 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017 (FY 2017). The gaming revenue is down 2% from FY 2016 to FY 2017. The gaming distribution for FY 2017 does not include a Special Distribution of \$2,000,000.00 from River Spirit Casino.

Gaming Distributions

FY 2017

	Subtotal 1st Qtr (\$)	Subtotal 2nd Qtr (\$)	Subtotal 3 rd Qtr (\$)	Subtotal 4 th Qtr (\$)	TOTAL (\$)
Eufaula Casino	693,520.54	959,382.59	893,454.50	643,067.18	3,189,424.81
Okmulgee Casino	1,809,698.84	1,939,443.94	1,779,882.56	1,411,247.82	6,940,273.16
Muskogee Casino	3,592,366.51	3,924,128.82	3,805,679.47	2,747,374.36	14,069,549.16
Bristow Casino	711,348.42	885,919.27	597,673.17	578,618.60	2,773,559.46
Checotah Casino	1,515,293.48	2,042,478.08	1,343,066.96	1,314,489.53	6,215,328.05
Okemah Casino	267,043.50	609,786.57	344,654.62	299,259.06	1,520,743.75
Tulsa Casino	9,927,169.94	12,855,400.32	12,244,730.48	9,151,067.70	44,178,368.44
Holdenville Casino	181,112.67	273,944.05	199,740.82	238,192.77	892,990.31
Duck Creek Casino	2,457,875.99	2,658,841.90	2,350,638.37	1,582,362.51	9,049,718.77
TOTAL	21,155,429.89	26,146,325.54	23,559,520.95	17,965,679.53	88,829,955.91

FY 2016

	Subtotal 1st Qtr (\$)	Subtotal 2 nd Qtr (\$)	Subtotal 3 rd Qtr (\$)	Subtotal 4 th Qtr (\$)	TOTAL (\$)
Eufaula Casino	725,175.40	1,156,443.61	790,281.81	580,714.53	3,252,615.35
Okmulgee Casino	1,776,505.25	2,219,742.47	1,970,048.21	1,155,795.85	7,122,091.78
Muskogee Casino	4,280,897.50	4,065,863.31	3,933,277.05	2,662,785.54	14,942,823.40
Bristow Casino	583,808.12	1,002,661.45	731,606.26	530,281.93	2,803,357.76
Checotah Casino	1,973,043.16	2,014,086.48	1,661,930.50	972,096.40	6,621,156.54
Okemah Casino	490,985.30	598,283.20	299,398.48	190,662.42	1,579,329.40
Tulsa Casino	11,567,985.04	14,432,000.04	11,044,548.45	6,632,148.53	43,676,682.06
Holdenville Casino	273,555.75	314,263.45	165,845.67	141,462.03	898,126.90
Duck Creek Casino	2,734,245.50	2,898,632.57	2,259,058.22	1,838,750.79	9,730,687.08
TOTAL	24,364,201.02	28,701,976.58	22,855,994.65	14,704,698.02	90,626,870.27

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE – Kevin Dellinger, Attorney General

The Department of Justice provided numerous services for the fourth quarter of 2017 and continues to increase its caseload as it takes on new responsibilities and personnel.

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Total FY17
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE – ATTORNEY	GENERA	L'S OFI	FICE		
# CASES OPENED			T	1	
Consultation and Advice Files	109	47	34	56	246
Civil/Litigation	2	2	1	3	8
Legislation	63	56	50	70	239
Adult Protective Services	0	1	0	1	2
State Juvenile Deprived/Adoptions	34	38	41	25	138
Tribal Juvenile Deprived/Delinquent/Adoptions	1	1	1	2	5
Criminal Felonies	6	18	8	10	42
Criminal Misdemeanors	7	12	10	12	41
Criminal Investigations	0	2	2	0	4
Traffic Tickets	111	67	100	25	303
# CASES CLOSED					
Consultation and Advice Files	147	195	203	235	780
Civil/Litigation	4	3	5	3	15
Legislation	22	23	36	21	102
Adult Protective Services	0	0	1	0	1
State Juvenile Deprived/Adoptions	0	27	8	21	56
Tribal Juvenile Deprived/Delinquent/Adoptions	2	2	0	0	4
Criminal Felonies	5	23	1	7	36
Criminal Misdemeanors	0	25	1	4	30
Criminal Investigations	0	0	0	0	0
Traffic Tickets	21	102	295	13	431
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE – LEGAL SER	VICES				
# CASES OPENED					
Uncontested Probates	17	29	28	28	102
Uncontested Guardianships	17	20	26	33	96
Estate Planning	11	23	24	17	75
Approval of Deeds	6	4	2	0	12
# CASES CLOSED					•
Uncontested Probates	38	12	11	16	77
Uncontested Guardianships	26	13	4	7	50
Estate Planning	5	5	1	17	28
Approval of Deeds	0	1	0	3	4

	1st	2 nd	3rd	4 th	Total FY17		
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE - CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT							
COLLECTIONS	\$508,433.48	\$578,925.59	\$506,074.78	\$556,142.24	\$2,149,576.0		
# CASES OPENED	46	47	53	45	191		
# CASES CLOSED	33	5	60	61	159		

<u>DEPARTMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATION – Jerry McPeak, Acting Tribal</u> <u>Administrator</u>

Major accomplishments for the Department of Administration during the fourth quarter include:

- Finalized the FY18 Budget
- Head Start Shared Governance Meeting-Elected Officers for the Policy Council
- Conducted reviews of GSA/Fleet, Human Resources, IT and Facilities
- Facilitated inclusion of Health into Tribal Human Resources and IT.
- Advance preparation of COOP and Policies and Procedures documents. (Completion anticipated next quarter)
- Informed accumulation of economic impact data
- Advanced discussions with State of Oklahoma on gaming compact
- Monitored and provided tribal perspective to State House, Senate and Governor
- Initiated evaluation of Crosshaven Properties (Creek Nation Elderly Housing Apartments)

Human Resources Management Services

Accomplishments

- Interviewed 12 applicants and selected an HR Health/Benefits Specialist
- Presented the 2018 HR budget at the HEW committee meeting
- Implemented a Federal FingerPrinting Program for the Eufaula Dormitory employees
- Labor Relations Implemented a Training Program for all Employees (Thirst for Knowledge Thursdays)
- Benefits office organized and implemented the Open Enrollment for all Tribal & Health employees
- Submitted the 401K Request for Proposal Packet to selected Vendors

Career Development	1st	2nd	3rd	4 th
Applicants	12	16	17	17
Completions	10	12	15	12

New Hires/Transfers	1st	2nd	3rd	4 th
New Hires	67	65	27	60
Transfers	93	58	44	20

Career Development Paid:

1st Quarter: \$6,919 2nd Quarter: \$8,115 3rd Quarter: \$13,609 4th Quarter: \$9,289

Language Incentive Program

MCN offers active current employees who qualify a one-time incentive of \$.50 per hour. Number of Mvskoke (Creek) speakers:

1st Quarter: 17 2nd Quarter: 19 3rd Quarter: 19 4th Quarter: 20

Drug Testing	1st	2nd	3 rd	4 th	Total FY17
Random Drug Testing	25	20	22	45	112
Pre-Employment Drug Test	69	65	51	48	233

Information Technology

Information Technology is currently staffed with 22 employees who support the MCN network and Health environment. MCN-IT provides desktop and network support to 1,840 employees

inclusive of multiple custom-built applications. There are 14 remote network (MPLS) locations inclusive of all health clinics, hospitals and remote Tribal programs.

Accomplishments:

- Okemah hospital network completed, Cerner app is a "work in progress"
- Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) phone implementation for Health is in production with 4 departments deployed and target date for completion of all of Health phone replacement is 11/30/17
- Tribal VOIP implementation will begin October 11, 2017, this deployment will remove all outdated phones and system and integrate with Health
- Deployed 2 additional remote network (MPLS) sites for LH and BHS
- Migrating National Council network to Tribal network ETA 10/11/17

MCN Help Desk Work Orders Processed	1st	2nd	3rd	4 th	Total FY17
Health	4,334	3,926	3,377	3,084	14,721
Tribal	1,479	1,510	1,455	1,536	5,980

General Services Administration/Fleet Management Department

	1 st	2 nd	3rd	4 th	TOTAL FY17
Dept./Communities	\$38,579.23	\$45,015.66	\$46,580.12	\$59,991.53	\$190,166.54
Fuelman	\$5,810.73	\$5,579.50	\$2,938.63	\$10,390.00	\$24,718.86
Work Orders Completed	448	617	655	682	2,402
GSA Vehicles	\$80,036.09	\$69,938.28	\$81,972.75	74,792.26	306,739.38
Vehicle Accidents	3	1	_	_	4
Vehicle Reservations	453	390	428	472	1,743
Vehicle Purchase Savings (Bid by Fleet)	\$6,068.00	\$2,464.00	\$6,436.00	\$7526.00	\$22,494.00

	1 st	2 nd	3rd	4 th	TOTAL FY17
Postage Expense	\$37,154.52	\$40,274.03	\$34,811.39	\$38,804.51	\$151,044.45
Mail Metered	58,201	61,957	53,861	60,527	234,546
Express Mail	12	9	7	4	32
FedEx	20	20	54	30	124
Certified Mail	1,116	940	581	1,175	3,812
Work Orders Completed	59	34	50	39	182
Surplus Items	157	228	45	96	526
New Purchase Orders Posted	1,308	903	974	987	4,172
Total Packages Received	893	1,060	1,254	1,362	4,569
Items Inventoried in WASP	0	1,594	3,038	1,567	6,199
Value of Items Inventoried	0	\$5,638,796.27	\$5,049,507.15	\$2,448,423.15	\$13,136,726.57

Facilities

Major Projects on Campus

- Rearranging of various offices
- Maintenance/landscaping of MCN Complex grounds
- Assessed, repaired exit lights and emergency lights at various buildings.
- Substantial amount of A/C maintenance work completed at various buildings.
- Installed new AC unit at the Social Services building.

Completed Work Orders On Campus

1st Quarter: 150 2nd Quarter: 148 3rd Quarter: 151 4th Quarter: 160

Major Projects Off Campus

- HVAC- refrigeration repairs, AC/ heating unit repairs, and ice machine repairs
- Carpentry-roof repair
- Other: ground maintenance (mowing/landscaping)
- Facilities set up and transported items for the Creek Nation booth at the Tulsa State Fair
- Installed new condensing unit at Glenpool Community Center.
- The gate at Fountainhead entrance was damaged. Facilities repaired gate

Major Project Cost: Community Centers/ENP Centers

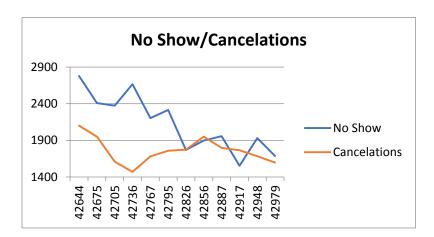
General Major Project Cost

1st Quarter: \$750.00 2nd Quarter: \$900.00 3rd Quarter: \$600.00 4th Quarter: \$3,050.00

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – Shawn Terry, Secretary of Health

The Department of Health focused on kept appointments this quarter as a result visits increased and cancelations decreased. We will continue to monitor metrics to ensure improvements continue and are sustained to improve overall access for our patients.

Access to Care - In the fourth quarter, the Department of Health reported 27,504 kept outpatient visits in our clinics, up 988 visits from the 26,516 visits in the third quarter. This expansion was expected because school physicals are typically scheduled in the summer months. There was continued progress with the scheduling system, resulting in a reduction in cancelations as illustrated in the chart below.



Emergency room visits increased 222 from the third quarter. Combined, the Okemah Hospital and Okmulgee Medical Center had a total of 6,755 visits.

Creek Nation Community Hospital construction progress report - The construction has been deemed substantially complete and we have been given control of the building. We will begin receiving large quantities of furniture, fixtures and equipment starting immediately. Training has taken place on 75% of the systems in the building to include, building automation, mechanical, fire alarm and suppression, emergency power generators, nurse call, overhead and automatic door controls. We are still trying to confirm dates for training on access control, surveillance and floor care. Construction Manager is still working on punch list items and will have a person on site through October. They have begun turning over the building to the Department of Health.

Eufaula Indian Health Clinic construction progress report - Due to the good weather, construction at the Eufaula Indian Health Clinic is ahead of schedule. Construction Manager is estimating the building at 49% complete at this point. All interior framing is complete with mechanical, electrical and plumbing at the point where drywall has been installed in nearly 75% of the building.

Nearly 80% of widows have been installed and exterior doors will be installed within the next week. Rooftop mechanical systems have been installed and should be partially operational within the next couple of weeks to allow for interior conditioning of spaces. Parking lot curb and gutters are in progress with the first layer of asphalt expected shortly.

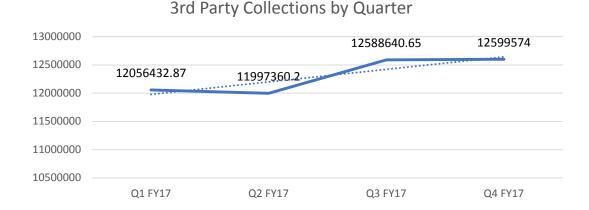
Okmulgee Indian Health Clinic - The Pharmacy expansion project was completed in September allowing the Pharmacy much needed space to continue to grow their services. The space more than doubled in size. Administration building was completely remodeled at the same time with a complete removal of interior framing and ceiling grid system.

The Department of Health welcomes new additions to the medical staff for this quarter

Dr. Nathan Wood M.D. - Is a family practice physician and started at the Eufaula Clinic on September 11th, 2017. **Dr. David Garret** is a podiatrist and begins employment on October 1st. Dr. Garret's primary location will be in Koweta, however he will be traveling to Okmulgee and Okemah to do clinics and surgeries. **Dr. Aliyeah Roper M.D.** is a family practice physician and has signed an employment agreement and will begin practicing in Koweta on December 27th.

Quality of Care - The Long Term Acute Care Hospital underwent a routine survey with the Oklahoma State Department of Health at the end June of 2017. Plans of correction were submitted for the areas identified that needed to be addressed and we are currently awaiting a return visit from the State at any time. Improvements in policies, documentation in the electronic health record, and the facility environment were a few of the areas identified by the State and addressed in the plans of correction. The Medical Center in Okmulgee is pending a return visit from the Oklahoma State Department of Health after undergoing a routine survey June of 2017. Plans of correction have been submitted to the Oklahoma State Department of Health for the areas identified. Improvements in policies, documentation in the electronic health record, and the facility environment were a few of the areas identified by the State and addressed in the plans of correction.

Financial Viability -Total third-party collections for the fourth quarter total \$12,599,578.00. This \$10,936.00 increase from the third quarter was expected as patient deductibles and out-of-pocket requirements are typically met by this point in the year. Third Party Collections for FY17 was \$49,242,015 compared to FY16 amount of \$48,173,270 for a total increase of \$1,068,745.



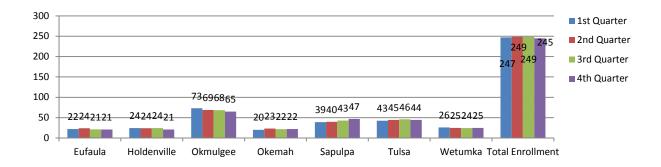
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & HUMAN SERVICES – Neenah Tiger, Secretary

CAREGIVER SUPPORT

The Caregiver Support Program provided a total of 93 caregivers with respite services such as bathing and grooming, running errands, socialization for the elder, preparing light meals, and medication checks. These services provide temporary relief to the Caregiver. Information about available services, gaining access to the services, and training to assist in making decisions and solving problems relating to their roles were educational topics presented to the caregivers. A total of (3) Caregiver sessions were held in Eufaula, Okmulgee, and Sapulpa which addressed "Legal Issues: Guardianships, Advance Directives, Living Wills, etc.", "Caregiver Burnout", and "Hyperthermia". One-on-one sessions were provided in homes to those who were unable to attend. The eldest recipient receiving care is 101 years of age and still remains in the home.

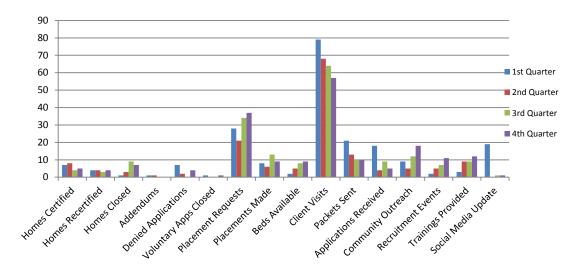
OFFICE OF CHILDCARE (OCC)

In September 2016, the Office of Child Care in Washington DC published the new Final Rule. It has been 18 years since Health and Human Services issued child care regulations. As a result, OCC began changing policy in the areas of subsidy, health & safety regulation, emergency preparedness, and infant and toddler quality requirements. These new provisions and the Child Care Plan will become effective October 1, 2019. The Child Development centers have maintained their enrollment throughout this FY17 with an average of 250 children monthly, and now have Credit Card readers at each center for payment convenience.



CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (CFSA)

The Children and Family Services Administration intake workers completed 1,268 intakes and referrals and researched the eligibility of 4,091 individuals. Child Protection Investigators concluded 82 investigations on tribal, trust or restricted land with Adult Protective Services completing a total of 23 investigations. Tribal and State Reunification and Permanency Services assisted in the reunification efforts of 165 families and assisted in the finalization of 126 adoptions. Certification, Placement, Recruitment & Training maintained or certified 11 regular foster homes, 7 relative foster homes, 22 adoptive homes, while Promoting Safe & Stable Families provided intense in-home case management services to 133 families. Tribal Juvenile Justice conducted 95 home visits and attended 26 hearings. Over \$113,000 in Federal and Tribal funding for direct assistance was provided to families who are risk for abuse, neglect or delinquent behaviors.



COMMUNITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The Community Research & Development Program completed its first full year of assisting the Nations Chartered Communities in the implementation of the new Community Operation and Development (COD) Fund. CR & D provided educational trainings and disseminated information regarding the use of COD funds. A total of 23 Chartered Communities received this grant allowing for continued operations, opportunity for economic development, and an expansion of services to their community members. CR & D continued to assist communities in minor repairs and other maintenance issues with expenditures reaching a total of \$155,695. Throughout the year, CR & D maintained its relationships with Tribal Construction, Food Services, Facilities, and Fleet/GSA ensuring all community concerns and issues were addressed.

ELDER SERVICES PROGRAM

The Elder Service's Program has continued to grow. An Elder Advocate position was added and it has become an integral aspect of the program. The advocate assists elders in various capacities including home visits, referrals, transportation services and condolence letters. Elder Services continued both the lawn maintenance and firewood program as well as other home maintenance duties throughout the year. These services included, but were not limited to: cleaning gutters, winter weatherization, brush clean up, installing and removing window a/c units. 12 monthly elder meetings and 3 senior advisory committee meetings were hosted throughout the year with several events held, including a holiday luncheon, first annual sweetheart dance, senior games and grandparent's day.

FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION (FVPP)

In addition to providing a variety of direct advocacy and supportive services to victims/survivors and their families, the Family Violence Prevention Program staff engaged in the development and leadership of Coordinated Community Response Teams in Hughes, McIntosh, Okfuskee and Okmulgee counties designed to improve responses to victims/survivors. Community education, awareness and training for professionals also remained a continued area of focus. FVPP wrote and submitted four (4) grant applications during the fiscal year, which were all selected for funding totaling \$2,363,164, ensuring the continuation of critical services into fiscal year 2018 and beyond. FVPP is excited to move forward in the new fiscal year with plans to develop and

implement shelter services, continue to expand support group and counseling services for survivors, and develop coordinated responses to and specialized services for survivors of sex trafficking.

FOOD SERVICES (Elderly Nutrition and Food Distribution)

The Food Services Program (FSP) was created in FY17 by combining the Food Distribution (FDP) and Elderly Nutrition (ENP) programs. This change allowed for more efficient operation. Each ENP center received new computers allowing them, for the first time, to have their own email and Paycom accounts. A new food vendor was selected for ENP, which saved funding that was used to purchase much needed new kitchen equipment. Okmulgee FDP underwent a remodel, enlarging the storefront area to enable more client shopping and a larger grocery selection for both dry and frozen items. During this time of transition, the ten (10) ENP sites served a total of 165,690 meals and the Distribution sites certified 40,429 participants.

HUMAN SERVICES

Human Services assisted 6,776 MCN citizens with tribal programs such as the Hardship and Energy programs; 1,341 Native Americans, including MCN Citizens, were assisted through federal programs such as LIHEAP and NAHASDA. The Social Security Liaison Program assisted 326 MCN citizens, while the School Clothing Program assisted 8,631 MCN school age citizens. The Tribal TANF Program assisted 369 Households for the year with an average of 420 individuals a month. The total monthly cash assistance was \$471,017, and supportive services totaled \$337,572, which includes incentives, youth services and support services. TANF held its first poverty awareness seminar in January, conducted 3 youth cultural camps during the summer, held a back to school event for the community with an attendance of 504 students, and raised awareness about pregnancy prevention for youth.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL OFFICE

The Southern Regional Office continued to offer 10 direct client services to our citizens located in the Southern jurisdiction. The most utilized programs for this area are Human Services, Employment & Training, and the Tax Commission. 3,054 citizens have utilized the client services provided by SRO with additional non-services such as the resource room, copying and faxing. SRO continues to strive to provide wrap-around services while alleviating the need to travel to Okmulgee.

TOBACCO PREVENTION

With tobacco use continuing to be the leading cause of preventable death in Oklahoma and Oklahomans spending approximately \$1.6 billion per year on smoking-related health costs, the Tobacco Prevention Program (TPP) serves a vital role in reducing tobacco use among MCN citizens and employees. TPP continues to attend health fairs and other events to educate the MCN citizens and public on the health effects of tobacco use, cessation options, and program information. TPP's Baby and Me, Tobacco Free Program enrolled 10 participants this year. This program helps pregnant women quit using tobacco and stay smoke-free through the first year of their baby's life. TPP started working with the Oklahoma Hospital Association and MCNDH to implement a Proactive Referral Option within the Electronic Medical Records at MCN clinics. This evidence based, best practice tobacco treatment will help our MCNDH patients with cessation efforts.

WOMEN, INFANTS, CHILDREN (WIC)

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation WIC Program is on track with an Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) project timeline that supports the federal Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 provision that mandates all WIC Programs to have EBT implemented by 2020. In FY17 MCN WIC has completed Electronic WIC (EWIC) processor procurement, system functionality testing, WIC clinic enablement, and is currently conducting retailer system enablement and compliance. The MCN WIC Program will reach full EWIC implementation with a pilot date of November 13, 2018. Moving the WIC Program forward with not only the federal mandate, but offering WIC participants electronic benefit redemption puts MCN WIC at the forefront of modern client support.

YOUTH SERVICES (MNYS)

The Mvskoke Nation Youth Services (MNYS) program focused on empowering Mvskoke youth by connecting to culture, community and resources. Over the last year MNYS fostered advocacy by working with the Mvskoke Nation Youth Council to develop leadership skills and create awareness of issues facing youth. Another primary focus of MNYS is to encourage wellness. MNYS has focused on the premise of Culture is Prevention. This year, twenty (20) Mvskoke Nation Youth Council members attended the UNITY conference participating in the cultural exchange by hosting a fashion show highlighting Mvskoke clothing from various areas. In addition, some of the youth council members facilitated a workshop to demonstrate stomp dance and how connections to tradition and culture aid them in issues they face. Director of MNYS, Nancy Mason, was selected as the 2017 J.R. Cook Advisor of the Year at this year's conference.

<u>DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT, AND TRAINING</u> – Gregory Anderson, Secretary

The Department of Education and Training engaged in several initiatives and activities to promote student achievement and policies related to federal and state education funding, identify major issues in education, and foster federal laws prohibiting discrimination in programs that receive federal funds. The Department of Education & Training is continuing its collaborative efforts with local school districts with the ongoing development of new educational resources and upcoming visits to Jenks STEM Learning Lab, Tulsa Public Schools Indian Education Program, and Union Public Schools new community school-Ellen Ochoa Elementary.

Native Youth Community Project (NYCP)

The Dept. of Education and Training has received a Native Youth Community Project (NYCP) Grant in the amount of \$2,093,496 from the U.S. Department of Education. The NYCP project will continue for four years with the purpose of serving partnering school districts to promote College and Career Readiness among native youth.

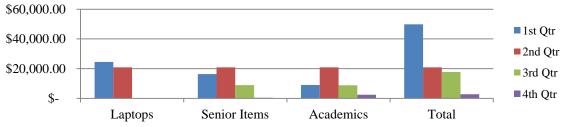
Fifth Annual Superintendents Summit

The Department of Education and Training hosted the 5th Annual Superintendent's Summit on Thursday, September 7, 2017 at the Claude Cox Omniplex Dome. Forty-eight of the sixty-seven Oklahoma school districts within the Muscogee (Creek) Nation jurisdiction were represented by sixty-nine stakeholders in attendance including: educators, Superintendents, Federal Program Directors and Indian Education Specialists. Also in attendance were approximately 20 tribal education stakeholders which attended the event, as well as, a representative from the Oklahoma Department of Education, Dr. Jeanene Barnett.

Certification, Placement, Recruitment & Training Program

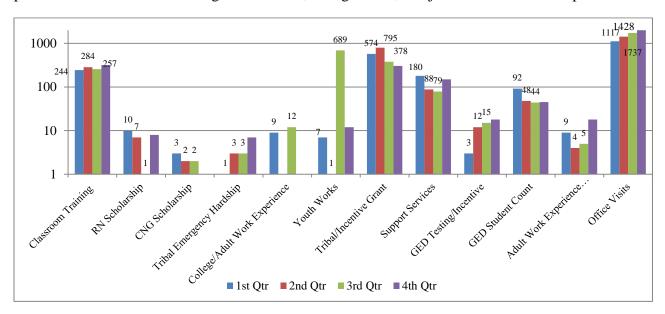
The Employment & Training Administration, along with Principal Chief James Floyd, Second Chief Louis Hicks, Commerce Department and Tinker Federal Credit Union, collaborated to present the first Financial Literacy Event on Friday, July 28, 2017 at the at the Claude Cox Omniplex Dome. An estimated 500 youth attended the event. Throughout the summer, the participants were provided financial modules to showcase awareness of the importance of saving money and making decisions on budgeting. The youth who participated in the module program were automatically entered into a drawing for \$500.00 for each county with one grand prize winner of \$1000.00 The financial literacy incentives were provided and awarded by Office of the Principal Chief, Office of the Second Chief, Speaker Lucian Tiger and Secretary of Commerce Elijah McIntosh, during this event.

NCA 00-136 Extra Curricular Activity Grant: NCA 00-136 Extra Curricular Activity Grant: The remaining 2.44% of grant funding of the total \$125,000 awarded for the 2017 fiscal year, was able to assist 6 Muscogee (Creek) Citizens, 5 citizens with academic needs and 1 High School student with senior expenses this quarter.

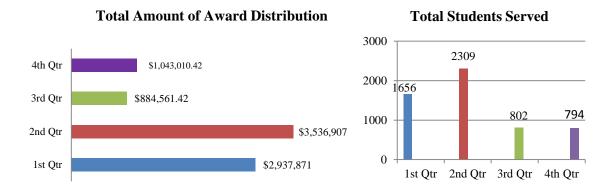


	1st	2nd	3rd	4 th	Total FY17
Laptops	\$24,508.98	\$20,878.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$45,387.00
Senior Items	\$16,337.71	\$18,823.56	\$8,896.39	390.00	\$44,447.66
Academics	\$9,009.86	\$14,625.41	\$8,868.14	\$2,432.16	\$34,935.57
Total	\$49,856.55	\$54,326.99	\$17,764.53	\$2,822.16	\$124,770.23

Employment & Training Administration continues to collaborate with other organizations to promote career readiness through career fairs, hiring events, and job readiness workshops.



Higher Education assisted 794 students with awards. Total expenditures for grants by the programs this quarter were \$1,043,010.42. The staff continues to visit local high schools, universities, and MCN events to support continued engagement in the community.

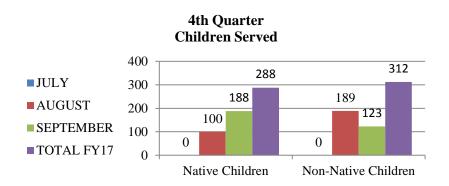


State/Tribal Education Partnership (STEP) Program continues to build the capacity of the tribal education agency to support programming and work within local, state, and national education systems.

- Project Director Sarah Price, alongside Union Schools Executive Director of Federal Programs, Jackie White presented to a full crowd on September 13th at the Arizona Department of Education conference. The presentation consisted of information on the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Tribal Consultation process, the Oklahoma Tribal Consultation Guide, Federal Programming updates, and the Muscogee (Creek) Nation consultation work and data collection.
- The STEP facilitated- Wetumka Schools Family Engagement Team hosted a family resource night that was held in conjunction with Wetumka Schools Parent/ Teacher conference and FAFSA night on October 10th. Eight Muscogee (Creek) Nation programs supported the initiative and set up booths for the families in attendance. Over 50 people attended the event. 38 surveys were completed noting positive feedback and recommendations of another family resource night with more programs from the tribe.
- The STEP's Cultural Education Resource Council continues to hold monthly meetings to work on projects relating to Indian Education. A Muscogee (Creek) Nation resource guide was distributed at the September Superintendent's Summit that provides more information on our nation based on the Oklahoma Academic Standards. A second version of the document is now being created along with preliminary work on a High School Muscogee Studies curriculum.
- The STEP program is becoming regularly involved with the Oklahoma State Department of Education with mutual interests in community involvement in public schools, the Individual Career Academic Plan (ICAP) project, and federal programming experience. Various meetings have occurred to foster a meaningful relationship that reinforces mutual initiatives and innovative practices.

Vocational Rehabilitation Program (MCN-VR) throughout the fiscal year, 49% of 182 referrals have resulted in applications for service. The Program has achieved and has met all required goals at 100%. MCN-VR referrals increased 22% from the third to the fourth quarter.

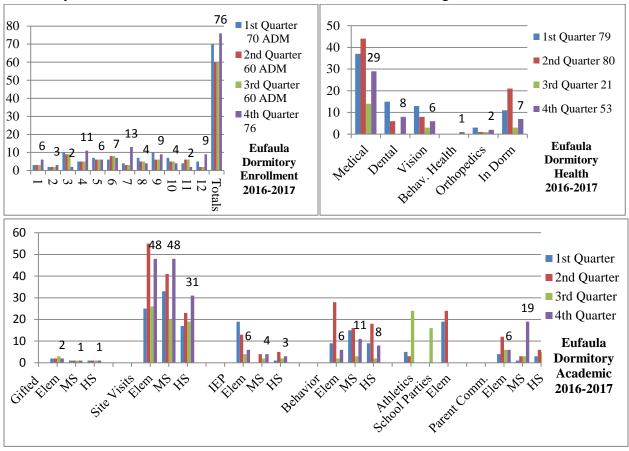
Head Start Program had a total of 223 parent volunteers with an average of 25 volunteers per center site during the fourth quarter.



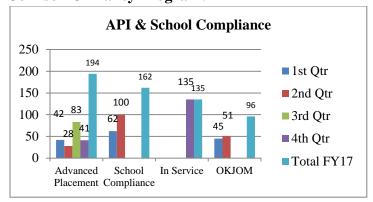
Scholarship Foundation Program raised \$34,008.28 in the fourth quarter to support the Foundation's scholarships.

1st Quarter	\$4,813.84
2nd Quarter	\$4,602.72
3rd Quarter	\$8,552.84
4th Quarter	<u>\$34,008.25</u>
Grand Total	\$51,977.68

The **Eufaula Dormitory** is nine weeks in to a new school year. Fall enrollment was completed during the 4th quarter. 75 students are currently in residence. The students are actively engaged in tutoring, recreational activities, and culturally enriched endeavors while the Eufaula Dormitory strives to ensure the overall health, success and well-being of all students.



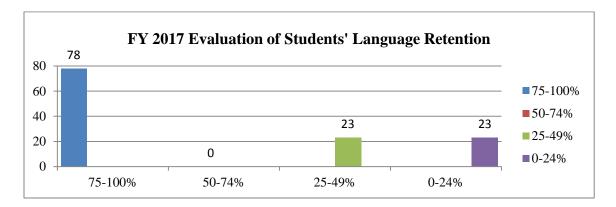
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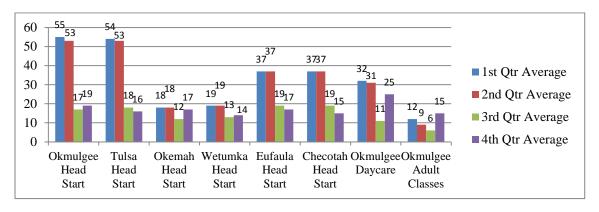
The graph to the left reflects the number of students in Advanced Placement Incentive (API) programs and the number of tests taken.

School Compliance reflects percentages for second and third quarter.

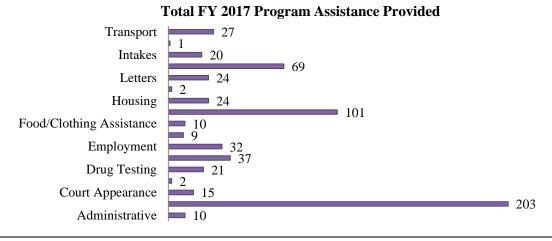
The Euchee Language Department had an enrollment of 34 students with an average of 20-25 students per day.



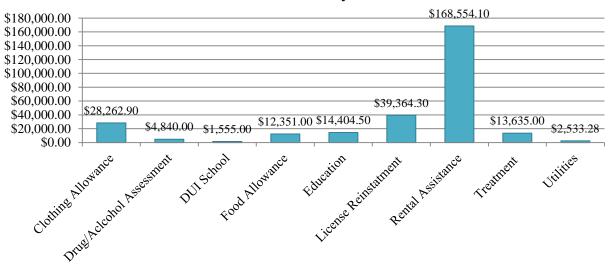
Mvskoke Language Program (MLP) The language outreach has a lower average this 4th Quarter due to the MCN Daycare, Head Start centers resuming classes the second week of September. MLP has been awarded the recipients of the Perry Aunko Indigenous Language Award at the 20th Anniversary Dream Keepers Award Banquet.



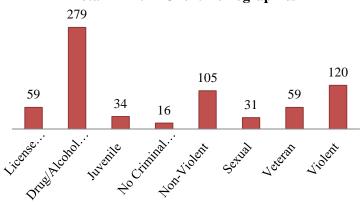
Reintegration Program received 70 cases during the fourth quarter with the primary participants ranging in ages from 0–60+ years. Of these cases, 52 participants are male, 18 participants are female, and 3 of the 70 total participants have juvenile records



Total FY 2017 Payments



Total FY 2017 Client Demographics



DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AFFAIRS – Carly Hotvedt, Acting Secretary

Secretary of Interior Affairs – Administrative Summary

The fourth quarter of FY 2017 proved to be extremely productive for the Department of Interior Affairs. Significant accomplishments included the following:

- Okemah Hospital—obtained substantial completion on September 28th. County road asphalt is scheduled to be complete October 15th
- Eufaula Clinic—the project is on schedule with 60% complete. Final completion is scheduled for April 27, 2018
- Campus Master Plan—interviewed all Departments at the Nation; Began full programmatic design and review

Planning and Grant Department provided grant compliance support, met with USDA Rural Utility Services and USDA Farm-to-School Program about funding opportunities, continued the development of the Tribal Strategic Plan, provided input for the City of Okmulgee Comprehensive Plan, attended multiple grant funding conferences, webinars, and other trainings, and hosted the 2nd Annual Grants Professionals Conference at the College of Muscogee Nation. During this quarter, 11 grant applications were submitted totaling \$5,039,184.00; 16 grant applications were awarded for \$9,715,269.50; and 15 grant applications totaling \$7,163,357.00 are undecided as a result of federal funding delays.

Tribal Driveways Department continued to repair/replace existing driveways for eligible Muscogee citizens, communities, churches, ceremonial grounds and cemeteries. During the quarter, 149 loads of gravel totaling \$37,865.74 were used in the completion of 46 applications for assistance. The Manager, Field Supervisor and /or crew continued daily inspections and documented their findings with pictures. The department continued operations associated with 24 burial preparations. Upgraded 6 citizens driveways due to rain

Realty Trust Office has assisted numerous citizens as well as the Tribe with Probates, Land Partitions, Leasing and other areas related to Restricted & Trust Property. MCN purchased 2 separate properties during a sealed bid sale totaling \$8,750.94 during the fourth quarter.

	FY17 1 st	FY17 2 nd	FY17 3 rd	FY17 4 th	Total
	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	
Rights of Way Approved	5	2	6	6	19
	\$62,860.00	\$20,610.00	\$50,068.64	\$74,982.00	\$208,520.64
Probates Completed & Amount	19	24	17	6	66
Collected	\$69,012.29	\$76,068.16	\$39,707.72	\$11,656	\$196,444.17
Approved Leases & Amount Collected	7	4	9	6	26
	\$6,100.00	\$4,500.00	\$5,140.00	\$5,357.00	\$21,097.00
Sales Completed & Amount Collected	0	1	2	0	3
for Indian Landowners		\$3,622.22	\$8,751.00		\$12,373.22
Family Conveyances Approved	1	3	2	0	6
Inventories	44	44	14	26	128
Surveys	10	7	10	10	37
On Site Inspections	75	108	103	98	384
Trust Applications Approved	3	3	7	0	13
Quiet Title Suits Answered	9	5	5	15	34
Phase I Environmental Site	6	7	0	0	13
Assessments Approved					
NEPA Environmental Assessments	0	0	0	1	1
(Final comments addressed)					
Environmental Categorical Exclusions	21	22	17	15	75
Completed					

Tribal Construction Department worked on the following projects during this quarter:

- Okemah Community Center Tribal Construction Services served as the General Contractor on the project. Work began late June and will reach 85% completion on September 30th. Substantial completion is scheduled for October 11th
- Checotah Indian Community Center The electrician is scheduled to finish on September 28th allowing drywall to begin
- Social Services Building Ground drainage remediation is being performed
- Demolition The following properties scheduled for demolition/remediation: Arbeka Ceremonial Ground consisting of 7 structures, Checotah dwelling and garage, Gragg property lagoon-pumped water and disposed the filled in lagoon
- Glenpool Indian Community dining room remodel will be completed October 10th
- Okemah Hospital Substantial completion Sept 28^{th.} MCN takes over utilities October 1st The County road asphalt is scheduled to be complete October 15th
- Eufaula Clinic The project is currently on schedule with 60% complete. Final completion is scheduled for April 27, 2018
- Okmulgee Pharmacy and Administration office renovation were completed September 15th
- Council House Punch list items to begin mid-October with substantial completion scheduled for mid-November
- Cromwell Indian Community Center project complete with a few punch list items remaining. Items to be completed: Road bore for fire line, floors, ground water remediation, safe room, and parking lot asphalt scheduled to be completed by Federal Roads
- Twin Hills kitchen remodel complete
- Oklahoma City Indian Community interior renovation completed on September 30th
- CMN Student Housing complete

Federal Roads Department current projects under construction include: Beggs Walking Trail; K-Bar Road; Loop 56 Highway and Mission Street; MCN College Walking Trail; Road Maintenance – Iron Post Road, Phillip Deere Roundhouse Road, Micawber Road, Clearview Road, City Streets in Morris, Okemah and Paden; Wainwright Road I; Wainwright Road II.

Transit Department transported 14,011 passengers in this quarter for a total of 86,539 miles. Out of this total, the Wetumka office transported 2,393 passengers and logged 13,287 miles.

Geospatial Department fielded 23 technical assistances, assisted MCN departments on 47 occasions, and produced 90 map documents, which include laminating, printing large-format, and scanning of documents. Staff also worked on 51 different short- and long-term projects. The Department was awarded the Brownfields 128(a) Response program grant funding in the amount of \$70,000 for FY 2018.

Historic and Cultural Preservation Department received and reviewed 1,019 projects for compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). These projects include consultation with tribal, federal, state, county and city agencies requesting cultural clearance. The program participated in 5 face-to-face consultations: Federal Communications Commission, Texas Department of Transportation, Texas Military Department, Mississippi Department of Transportation, and North Carolina National Guard. NAGPRA (Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act) cases have remained steady with 14 ongoing active cases. We repatriated and reinterred over 100 individuals from Ocmulgee National Monument, the largest repatriation completed by the tribe.

Projects	1st Qtr	2 nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Total
Federal face-to-face consultations	5	4	6	5	20
Section 106 Project Reviews	566	727	767	1,019	3,079
Active NAGPRA Cases	15	15	15	14	n/a
NAGPRA Reburials	2	0	0	1	3
GPR Surveys	2	1	1	2	6
Archaeological Surveys	6	2	0	4	12
Cemetery Clean-up/fencing	15	8	14	25	62
Cemetery Recordation Report	1	2	1	2	6
Cultural Outreach Presentations	13	7	8	6	34
National Library & Archives Visitors/Genealogy Requests	32	35	37	43	147
Tribal Resolutions/Legislation	2	4	1	4	11
Federal Agreements	2	2	0	1	5
Conferences/Meetings	11	14	11	6	42
Trainings Attended	1	2	1	0	4
Tower Construction Notification (TCNS) Projects	188	245	286	409	1,128
Tower Construction Notification (TCNS) Funds	\$149,600	\$196,000	\$228,800	\$327,200	\$901,600

National Library and Archives assisted 43 patrons with genealogy and Mvskoke history and participated in 6 cultural outreach events including traditional arts classes for basketry and stompdance. Tribal staff completed 105 days of tribal monitoring on the Diamond Pipeline route within our tribal jurisdiction.

Cemetery Reclamation Program cleared and serviced 25 Muscogee (Creek) citizens' cemeteries/properties: Russell Jacobs Cemetery, Harjochee Cemetery, Harjo Cemetery, Haynes Cemetery, Posey Cemetery, Arbeka Ceremonial Ground, Okmulgee Indian Baptist Church, Mitchell Cemetery, Pigeon Cemetery, Johnson Cemetery, West Cemetery, Pleasant Porter Cemetery, Cuff/McNac Cemetery Samuel Checote Cemetery, Hvtce Cvpv Cemetery, and the equipment yard. Currently there are 253 Creek Cemeteries documented and mapped within our Tribal Jurisdiction.

Agri-Business Department

- Significant cull of inferior quality cattle (281 head)
- Current herd size of 308 head including 160 cows, 98 weaned calves, 41 fall calves, 9 bulls
- Market and cull sales resulted in cattle revenues of \$305,004.20 in 4th Quarter
- Transitioning to new cattle RFID tracking and record keeping system for integrated management
- Coordinating with the Noble Foundation to participate in the Integrity Beef Program to develop and promote a baseline of quality throughout breed stock and future market sales
- Revenues of \$1,497.00 for watermelon sales in July and August
- 1,500 Bales of Hay cut this quarter

Natural Resources: The department continues the analytical review of a draft comprehensive conservation and wildlife code expansion.

Storm Shelter Program: The program awarded 25 Muscogee (Creek) Citizens with storm shelters. The program will begin construction by the end of October.

Land Management: The program is working with NRCS to share cost regarding the feral hog control and the soil erosion.

Oil and Gas: The program continues to monitor the reported royalties form federally over sighted leases as well as represent the Nation's interests in proposal and proceedings for offers, pooling, unitizations, and exploration/testing requests. Revenues from April – July 2017 leases total \$5,166.17.

Cultural Center & Archives Department was awarded a Native American/Hawaiian Museum Services grant for \$43,800 to begin on October 1, 2017. This grant was developed in partnership with MCN Cultural Preservation, Geospatial, and Realty Departments to build a location-based mobile application that interprets 25 historic sites through MCN jurisdiction and in the Southeastern homelands and presents a unique Mvskoke perspective of those sites. The completion date of this project is September 30, 2019.

The Council House Restoration Project is ongoing and on schedule. The tentative completion date for construction and exhibit design and installation is mid to late 2018. Schematic drawings are complete for the Council House Visitor Center. Construction ready renderings are scheduled to be complete January 1, 2018.

The Redstick Gallery currently has items from over forty-five Mvsoke artists. The gallery set up at several locations this quarter including, Eufaula's Whole Hawg Days and Ocmulgee Indian Celebration in Macon, Georgia. The gallery sends out items weekly through orders from the online store, www.creeknationgiftshop.com.

Outreach: Special Projects Coordinator John Brown did cultural demonstrations at five locations within the MCN Jurisdiction and reached approximately 340 youth and 50 adults. Additionally, the Cultural Center & Archives staff coordinated a trip to Ocmulgee Indian Celebration in Macon, Georgia. The stomp dance group who travelled to Macon reached an estimated 800-1,000 visitors during the two-day festival.

Risk Management Office handled 229 items: 126 items pertained to risk/insurance issues and 103 were miscellaneous items. There were a total of 43 insurance claims filed and handled.

Arbor Care Services (ACS) worked 97 houses completed at 100%, 78 at 25%, and 78 at 1% with 6 listed as miscellaneous work. The Risk Management Office took 134 calls that were referred to the ACS Office. ACS received 399 requests for service during this quarter

Emergency Management handled 148 items consisting of CPR training, water deliveries, and miscellaneous calls. Among these are incoming and outgoing calls, safety and miscellaneous issues and several training sessions, deliveries and actual hands on problems within the MCN jurisdiction.

Office of Environmental Services

The Department hosted the Tribal Lands & Environmental Forum along with a tour group that consisted of tribal members from across the United States to showcase the MCN Campus and Energy Projects. Hosted an Air Quality Training in Broken Arrow, attended an Integrated Pest Management training and Energy Conference. The Waste Disposal Program has been busy with the roll off deliveries for our Tribal Ceremonial Ground dances; assisted Okmulgee, Okemah and Glenpool with a community clean up provided them with dumpsters. Attended the Inter-Tribal Conference at the Hard Rock and presented a Solid Waste presentation.

Recycling Program has been collecting recyclables from different areas of the MCN boundaries and MCN departments. Assisted in the Woody Guthrie event in Okemah bringing in a total of 1,219 pounds of recyclable items.

<u>DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE –</u> Elijah <u>McIntosh</u>, <u>Secretary of the Nation & Commerce</u>

The Office of the Secretary of the Nation & Commerce

Twenty-seven limited liability corporations filed their annual active business certification with the Nation.

The Office hosted an Economic Summit with Congressman Markwayne Mullin and quarterly meeting for Tulsa's Future III.

Office of Self-Governance

In July, the Office of Self-Governance coordinated the renewal of the Fiscal Year 2018 Self-Governance Funding Agreement with the Department of the Interior (DOI). The Office also successfully prepared a Self-Governance waiver to allow the Nation to increase the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Burial Assistance to \$3,000 which was approved in September 2017.

In August, the Office hired a new Coordinator who is now assisting DOI and Indian Health Service (IHS) programs maximize their Self-Governance opportunities. In the last two months the Office provided direct assistance to the Burial Assistance Program and the Division of Health to provide policy and data analysis, developed and submitted written testimony to Congressional Committees, and submitted responses to DOI's request for comments on the Indian Trade and Commerce regulations. The Office also finalized and submitted the DOI Minimum Data Collection Report.

The Office also participated in the 2017 Self-Governance Strategy Session in September. During the Session the Coordinator participated in discussions with other Self-Governance Tribes to develop and implement national policy, legislative, and budget positions that promote Tribal authority.

Contracting and Employment Support (CES)

CES currently has 69 Muscogee (Creek)-owned businesses and an additional 137 businesses owned by individuals from other tribes, for a total of 206 certified businesses.

Mvskoke Loan Fund

The loan portfolio has 37 loans totaling \$889,468.53. The loan fund has \$50,000 available for lending at this time. In the fourth quarter, five loans were made totaling \$102,140.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING – Sam Whitlow, Secretary of Housing

Admissions Department

Admissions processed Homeownership intake-109; Emergency Repair intake-204; Down Payment closings-6; Elderly Subsidy housed-40; Homebuyer Ed-37; Tribal HUD VASH housed-17.

Housing Management

During the fourth quarter, there were 304 re-certifications processed, 8 move-ins, and 204 annual inspections completed. Five (5) units were conveyed.

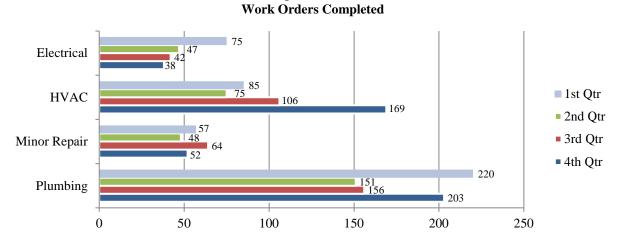
The Community Shield Program through Amerind Risk Management offers homeowners' insurance to MCN Tribal citizens with affordable property coverage for dwelling, personal property, personal liability, and loss of use. There were 21 new participants this fourth quarter.



Construction Services: 59 work orders were processed and 46 scopes of work were completed.

Contract Services: 18 contracts were processed for major activities such as rehabilitation of homes and rental rehab, and 52 work agreements were processed for minor repairs.

Force Account: 462 work orders were completed.



The Development Department identifies buildable construction sites for new constructed homes and purchases existing homes for the Acquisition Program. The Development Department has acquisitioned 3 homes and purchased 2 sites for newly-constructed homes.

Rental Properties provide low cost rental housing to Native American families. There are 317 rental units located in Checotah, Eufaula, Okemah, Okmulgee/Crutchmer, and Taylor. Of those, 283 units are occupied and 34 units are vacant. During the fourth quarter, 37 annual recertifications were processed, 35 annual inspections were conducted, and 149 work orders were completed for the quarter.

The Elderly Rental Program gives preference to those 62 years and over. There are 54 units located in Okmulgee. This quarter, there were no move-in, no move-out, and 2 vacancies.

PUBLIC RELATIONS - Neely Tsoodle, Manager

Consistent with the mission of the Office of Public Relations, "To Project a Positive Image of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation", our staff has facilitated numerous projects and activities in the past quarter to that purpose.

- Ms. Neely Tsoodle was hired in August as the New Public Relations Manager. She is the former director of Muscogee (Creek) Nation Communications and Myskoke Media.
- Top web pages for the quarter: employment, higher education, school clothing, citizenship, social services and election board. All popular sites due to school starting and gearing up for election.
- Public Relations did a sweep of the Nation's buildings and took an inventory to replace
 our leadership pictures and replaced them with the new Chief's pictures. Public
 Relations produced and funded new pictures and frames to be placed at each entry or
 corridor so that our leaders are acknowledged and identified.
- "Vote" campaign urging folks to register and vote was launched featuring Election Board Manager Nelson Harjo, Jr. The television ad continues to run up until the November 4 Primary on all Tulsa news stations. Written, shot, produced and funded by Public Relations.
- Muscogee (Creek) Nation Public Relations has doubled its news coverage coming out of
 the Executive Branch and Nation. You will now notice a stronger presence on the tribal
 website and social media. More news releases, videography and print promotions that has
 ever been produced, all in an effort to increase transparency.
- Information from the Nation radio program launched. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday a tribal calendar and announcement segment at 7:45 a.m. on the Brew, AM 1240/Okmulgee radio station. LaTasha Monahwee and Neely Tsoodle host a "live" in studio guest segment that runs on Tuesdays at 8:15 a.m. So far topics covered have been Muscogee (Creek) Nation Hurricane efforts in Texas, the dire need for Foster Care and Adoption families, the recent participation at the Tulsa State Fair.
- Public Relations crew participated in the 2017 Indian Celebration at the Ocmulgee National Monument at Macon, GA. The crew produced full coverage with a news release and video documentation of the event. It also featured Chief Floyd participating which was the first time in the event's history that any Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation made the trip. Public Relations also worked with the Ocmulgee National Park Service to promote the event with a news release.
- Public Relations also worked with the Ocmulgee National Park Service in Macon, GA to coordinate a private reburial of 113 ancestral remains in an undisclosed portion of the park. Public Relations wrote a news release and also a video clip that was placed on the web and social media. This story is the highest viewed ever on social media for the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Public Relations social media page. The story attracted reporters nationwide, reporting their own take of the story or using our coverage (and giving us credit, which in turn is good public relations for our tribe and Public Relations Department).
- Coverage of the "We are Still Here" statue in Blairsville, GA. A Myskoke citizen, Kathie Garrett, living in Blairsville raised forty thousand dollars (along with the local Chamber

of Commerce) to build a statue to be made commemorating our ancestors who once lived there. Second Chief Louis Hicks attended and spoke in front of a large audience made up of tribal, city, and congressional leaders, residents, and visitors from far and near. The statue unveiled called "Transcendent" sits atop a small hill at Meeks Park in Blairsville. News coverage was placed on the web and social media.

- Absentee voting tutorial was produced to help with confusion and difficulties with the ballot. A step by step video was produced showing voters how to properly fill it out and send back to the Election Board.
- We have reached nearly two thousand new viewers or followers on the Public Relations Facebook page. Positive feedback from the comments we are seeing.
- Information from the Nation is not only a radio segment; it is also an electronic newsletter. This quarter alone, it gained more than 410 subscribers.
- Demographics found on our Facebook page <u>WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/MCNPR</u> indicates the US, Canada, United Kingdom and Germany were the top countries reached.

The Office of Public Relations thrives and prides itself covering all aspects of tribal government. On a daily basis, we produce and distribute fliers, posters, news ads, web information updates and upgrades. We are also tasked with banner and sign production, event coordination, and the on-going process of branding our Nation so that everything is in uniform. Public Relations is also tasked with putting out news releases and official statements featuring topical subjects such as; Foster Care, Ocmulgee Celebration, Ocmulgee National Park Service Repatriation, Stigler (47) Act, Murphy Case, Muscogee (Creek) Nation Primary and General Election, and Hurricane Relief Efforts to name a few this quarter.

TOURISM AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT – Kyle Lee, Director

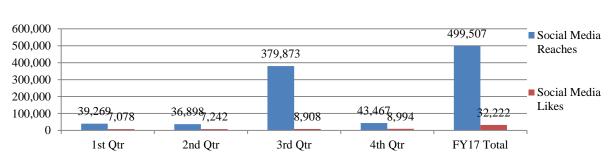
The Muscogee (Creek) Nation Tourism and Recreation Department (T&R) continues to partner with the Lake Eufaula Association in the State of Oklahoma's travel show program, distribute the Guide to the Mvskoke Nation, host scheduled events in the Mvskoke Dome and Claude Cox Omniplex, and began preparing for the Council Oak Ceremony and Indian Fall Festival. During the fourth quarter, our Department continued marketing all Muscogee (Creek) Nation entities while also partnering with marketing organizations and the State of Oklahoma. Specifically, River Spirit Casino Resort, Creek Nation Casino Muscogee, and Duck Creek Casino partnered with us and participated in consumer marketing show. The Department also launched phase two of the tourism video online and shared the footage with River Spirit Casino Resort.

The Department remains an active partner in TravelOk.com, the Oklahoma Tourism & Recreation Department's Fulfillment Program, and in welcome centers across the state of Oklahoma. Our *Mvskoke Guides* can be requested directly from Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department's website. An electronic version of the *Guide to the Mvskoke Nation* is available at the T&R Department's website (www.creektourism.com).

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Guide to the Myskoke Nation Distribution

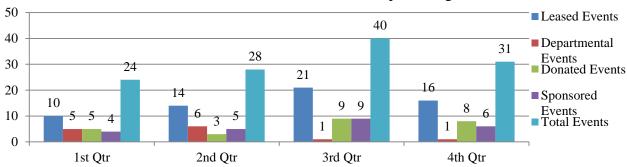
T&R utilizes social media platforms such as Facebook, YouTube, and Twitter to promote and engage the general public's awareness in the Nation. This includes areas of government, business, and community endeavors such as the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Annual Festival. The Department routinely partners with and shares information on social media from all Muscogee (Creek) Nation businesses, entities, and casinos. Over the fourth quarter, the Department's reach surpassed over 40,000 people thanks to our increased social media footprint, partnerships with the Oklahoma Department of Tourism & Recreation, Green Country Marketing Association, and River Spirit Casino Resort.



Social Media Outreach

T&R continues to lease the Mvskoke Dome and other facilities at the Claude Cox Omniplex for community events and departmental programs while being the home of fitness programs such as CreekFit, Walking Strong, and Mini CreekFit. T&R serves as a resource for Native American fitness and as helpful guidance through avenues of fitness, nutrition, and motivation.

Mvskoke Dome & Claude Cox Omniplex Usage



The Department has continued its involvement with the Five Tribes Inter-Tribal Council Tourism Workgroup which includes creating and distributing a Five Tribes Tourism Brochure, Five Tribes tourism website, and now a discussion of utilizing area airports for marketing materials. This partnership has focused its efforts on promoting Oklahoma as a top destination to experience Native American Culture. The Five Tribes Inter-Tribal Council previously supported the Native Act which passed Congress, but more recently named AIANTA, American Indian Alaskan Native Tourism Association, as the facilitator of the Native Act. With AIANTA as the facilitator of the Native Act, the tribe will now have greater ease in tapping into national tourism strategies and endeavors.

TRIBAL LIAISON FOR AT-LARGE CITIZENS - Geebon Gouge, Tribal Liaison

The fourth quarter of FY 2017 proved to be a productive beginning of the Tribal Liaison for At-Large Citizens Office. Significant accomplishments include the following:

- Developed with the help of Public Relations a tab for At-Large Citizens on the Official Tribal Website.
- Launched a Facebook page for At-Large Citizens.
- For the Public Relations Facebook page, in addition to the United States, the top countries reached during this quarter were Afghanistan and Italy. It reached 34,830 people in the fourth quarter.
- Assisted At-Large citizens that were affected by the hurricanes in the state of Texas and Florida.
- Coordinated the first OKC At-Large Quarterly Outreach on September 30th with services as follows: Citizenship, Muscogee (Creek) Nation Election Board, Social Services, Higher Education, Employment & Training, Cultural Preservation Genealogy, Realty Trust Services and MCN Department of Health for Flu Shots.
- Attended the Commemorative Trail of Tears Walk in Mt. Juliet and Woodbury, Tennessee.
- At-Large Citizens assisted this quarter were from California, Tennessee, Texas, Florida, Arizona, and Oklahoma.

ATHLETIC COMMISSION

The National Council adopted TR 17-044 that allowed the Nation to enter into a Boxing & Mixed Martial Arts Agreement with the Citizen Potawatomi Nation Athletic Commission for the regulation of combative sporting events until a new Muscogee (Creek) Nation Athletic Commissioner is properly nominated and approved.

INDEPENDENT STATUTORY EXECUTIVE AGENCIES

MVSKOKE MEDIA – Sterling Cosper, Mvskoke Media Manager

Our Editorial Board is completely staffed after the Executive Branch nomination of Muscogee (Creek) attorney Daniel Carter was confirmed by the National Council.

We are set up to take credit and debit card payments in house and have a pending application to make online sales as well.

Mvskoke Media continues to cover the 2017 Muscogee (Creek) Nation Elections and we did video candidate profiles for the primary elections along with the ones for the paper, which we also updated to engage candidates more directly on tribal issues. These profiles ran in the August 15 Muscogee Nation News edition along with many informative stories on issues pertaining to the election, some of which included direct feedback from citizens through interviews and surveys.

We did a live stream to cover the primary election in September and will host another one for the general election in November. We shared Facebook live coverage of any community that made their election events available on their pages. We did the first of our candidate debates/profiles depending on voluntary attendance by them, starting with the Creek District at the end of September and these have/will continue through October. We have also taken question submissions from citizens to be considered for inclusion in these. The office generated sales through offering campaign advertising and materials to candidates for the first time as allowed through our free press legislation.

We finalized our reader/advertiser survey, which launched in the October 1 edition and will continue with an online version in November that will be promoted through Native News Today, Mvskoke Radio and social media. The Office published a column that addresses some concerns regarding our creation of the #CreekVote17 hashtag as a means for citizens and candidates to use it to create a centralized feed for posts related to the election.

We later attended the October MCN Election Board meeting to further address concerns regarding use of the hashtag and our election content on social media directly with the board, citizens and candidates.

Myskoke Media is currently processing potential applicants for our internship initiative and hope to have someone on for the remainder of the fall semester and to continue making this opportunity available by semester year-round.

We are developing a sales position to help market our advertising and media services and we updated our continuation of operations plan, which had not been modified since our free press legislation and outlines the steps we would take to keep providing services to citizens in the event of an emergency. Mvskoke Media established a new beat system for the editorial team that has each staff member assigned to a certain block of subjects to build and maintain rapport with sources involved in these areas so they are able to generate leads for themselves and other

editorial staff. We have also established and enforced a weekly content quota for each member of this team, which has generated an influx in published material.

We exceeded 10,000 likes on the MNN Facebook page and continue to develop this page and our other social media platforms through editorial content increases as well as marketing and promotion initiatives led by the business side of the Department.

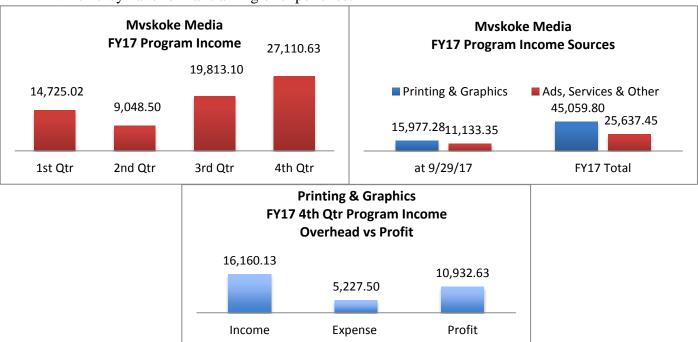
Myskoke Media is in the process of finalizing a subscription to the PACER legal documents service to have access to a broad network of case filings related to MCN for coverage purposes.

We published stories to keep citizens informed regarding the Kialegee Tribal Town attempted gaming development in Broken Arrow along with the disenrollment lawsuit related to this topic and an election candidate. We covered proposals by the state to cover their budget that pertain to tribal gaming and tobacco along with the Murphy ruling that may broaden the MCN jurisdiction to reservation status depending on how the appeals process plays out.

We attended the joint Native American Journalists Association/Society of Professional Journalists conference where our staff was exposed to a broad range of topical panels and network of media professionals.

Reporter Darren DeLaune was a recipient of the National Center for American Enterprise and Development 40 under 40 award.

We hired new Reporter Kevin Barnett who is a veteran, Muscogee (Creek) citizen and has a degree in visual media. He has applied his experience to marketing efforts on the business side along with contributing to all of our media outlets as is now expected by all editorial staff rather than just focusing on regular contributions to just one of the broadcast programs or the paper. This has been fostered by our ongoing department-wide efforts to have each staff member cross train others in the areas they know best while also gathering experience from others in the areas in which they have formal training or experience.



<u>LIGHTHORSE ADMINISTRATION – Robert Hawkins, Lighthorse Police Chief</u>

The Lighthorse Department has well over 500+ hours of continuing education with law enforcement sponsored programs. At this time, there are 38 sworn full-time officers and we are actively seeking applications for potential new hires to bring the department up to full staff.

The **Records Department** has reported 1,977 calls for service during the fourth quarter. There were 125 arrests, 80 citations, and 330 incident calls during the fourth quarter.

Communication Department

Dispatchers have reported 1,977 complaint cards for the fourth quarter and have 100 hours of training.

The Division has the following training:

- When Seconds Count "Fire Communications
- When Seconds Count "Attacks on Police"
- When Seconds Count "Morale"
- Fletc Training "Basic Communication, Artesia, NM
- OLETS Full Access Test

Criminal Investigations

Investigations have had a total of 25 major crime cases that include the following:

- Homicides
- Sexual Assaults
- Theft of Automobile

- Leaving the scene of accident
- Check Fraud

The Division has performed a total of 400 hours for continuing education and assisted in several communities such as case assists for the Federal Bureau of Investigations, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigations, McIntosh County, Eufaula Police Department, Okmulgee Co Sheriff's Office, DA #25 Task Force and Wagoner Co Sheriff's Office.

K-9 Department

The division has had a total of 112 reported call-outs that include the following:

- Advanced Domestic Violence
- Less Letha 1 Kinetic Energy Impact Weapons
- Anti-Terrorism level 1 Training
- Advance Canine Handlers Course
- Assisted 5 local school administrators in sniff clearing lockers and parking lots

- Houston Texas Flood
- Muskogee County Dive
- Okmulgee County Dive
- Armed and Barricaded Suspect Checotah Housing
- Okmulgee Lake Recovery

The Division has performed a total of 285 hours for continuing education and assisted other law enforcement agencies such as case assist for McIntosh Co, Okfuskee Co., U.S. Marshalls

Service, Bristow P.D., Okemah P.D., Holdenville P.D., Muskogee Co., Hughes Co., Okmulgee Co., Mannford P.D., State Troopers, BIA, Porum P.D., and Warner P.D.,

Meth Initiative Officer

The Meth Initiative Officer attended the following meetings and/or presentations:

- Life Skill Seminar
- CRASE
- Use of Force
- CJIC/Orientation
- Neighbors Helping Neighbors
- Response to DV

- FLETC/CLE
- Conceal Carry
- Reserve Academy Refresher
- Taser Cert/Re-Cert
- Fourth Amendment Search and Seizure

Explorers

Attended the following:

Green Country Challenge

Pepper Spray Training with River Spirit Casino

Krispy Crème Doughnut benefit for Special Olympics Torch Run

	July	August	September	Total
Reportable Crime	115	131	84	330
Calls For Service	776	663	538	1977
Arrests	54	48	23	125
Citations	39	27	14	80

Meth Initiative Officer

The Meth Initiative Officer attended the following meetings and/or presentations: Concealed Carry Class, Security Re-qualifications, Crisis Communications, Supervising or Managing the Field Unit Training Officer, Tactical Communications, Doing Business in Indian Country, RAD Self Defense, US Marshall Range Day, 11th Annual IALEFI Conference, Synthetic Drugs, Evidence.Com, TA2TA Webinar, LHPD Gun Range Qualifications, BIA Chief of Police Meeting, SEXXX Crimes Conference, Tactical Medical Instructor School, Less Lethal/Pepperball Operator, and DUI Database

Explorers

Attended the following:

- Vietnam Veterans Parade
- Native American All-State Banquet
- Miss Myskoke Nation and Junior Miss Myskoke Nation Pageant
- Green Country Challenge
- MCN Festival Parade

OFFICE OF TAX COMMISSION – Jerry McPeak, Tax Commissioner

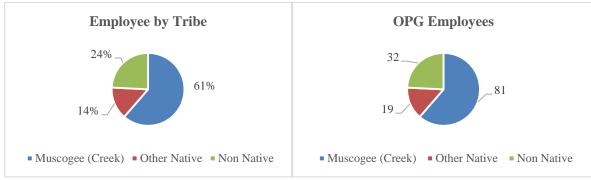
The tax revenue for fourth quarter of FY 2017 equaled \$2,528,529.66 for a total of \$9,672,912.56 for fiscal year 2017.

Product	1 Qtr	2 Qtr	3 Qtr	4 Qtr	FY 17 Total	FY16 Total
Motor Vehicle	\$260,507.13	\$304,429.86	\$313,655.69	\$318,384.40	\$1,196,977.08	\$2,393,954.16
Tax Registration	\$213,130.50	\$276,070.50	\$266,658.50	\$265,787.00	\$1,021,646.50	\$2,043,293.00
Admin Fees	\$7,040.00	\$8,925.00	\$9,030.00	\$8,550.00	\$33,545.00	\$67,090.00
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Penalty	\$13,642.25	\$20,714.00	\$16,763.25	\$15,870.25	\$66,989.75	\$133,979.50
Lien	\$2,495.00	\$2,200.00	\$2,760.00	\$3,200.00	\$10,655.00	\$21,310.00
Repo	\$ 270.00	\$420.00	\$190.00	\$210.00	\$1090.00	\$2180.00
Mail	\$1,699.50	\$2,358.00	\$2,267.50	\$2,240.50	\$8,565.50	\$17,131.00
Dup Title	\$1,485.00	\$1,590.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,380.00	\$6,055.00	\$12,110.00
Lost Registration	\$40.00	\$44.00	\$22.00	\$40.00	\$146.00	\$292.00
Lost Decal	\$235.00	\$275.00	\$240.00	\$225.00	\$975.00	\$1950.00
Lost Tag	\$80.00	\$85.00	\$100.00	\$70.00	\$335.00	\$670.00
Personalized Tag	\$133.00	\$2,240.00	\$2,485.00	\$1,820.00	\$6,678.00	\$13,356.00
Other Sales	\$1,832.71	\$2,327.58	\$2,107.50	\$2,276.50	\$8,544.29	\$17,088.58
Sales Taxes Collected	\$294,454.07	\$446,130.39	\$450,312.33	\$440,420.53	\$1,631,317.32	\$3,262,634.64
Alcohol Taxes	\$55,082.19	\$107,974.38	\$160,015.44	\$161,285.04	\$484,357.05	\$968,714.10
Sales License Fees	\$2,515.00	\$1,490.00	\$4,320.00	\$2,210.00	\$10,535.00	\$21,070.00
Tobacco Taxes	\$811,291.43	\$701,475.65	\$765,171.31	\$772,926.36	\$3,050,864.75	\$6,101,729.50
Tobacco License Fees	\$3,800.00	\$1,100.00	\$2,200.00	-	\$7,100.00	\$7,100.00
Motor Fuel Taxes	\$534,395.75	\$504,476.47	\$556,030.02	\$531,634.08	\$2,126,536.32	\$4,253,072.64
Total FY17:	\$2,204,128.53	\$2,384,325.83	\$2,555,928.54	\$2,528,529.66	\$9,672,912.56	\$19,345,825.12

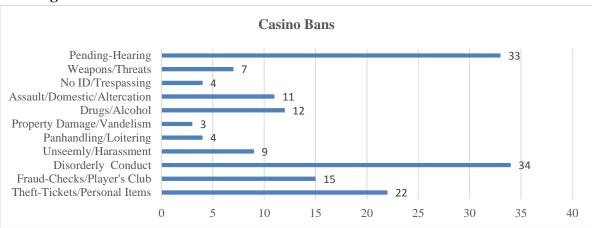
OFFICE OF PUBLIC GAMING - Buddy York, Gaming Commissioner

The Office of Public Gaming (OPG) is an independent agency responsible for regulating all gaming activity within the jurisdiction of the MCN. This office promotes and ensures integrity, accountability, and security of the operation and administration of all gaming facilities.

Employees



Banning



Investigations

Completed the OPG Emergency Action Plan for shooting, stabbing, and IED attacks. Investigated and reported fraudulent checks being passed at numerous MCN gaming establishments. Investigated and later referred two illegal gambling establishments to law enforcement officials.

Licensing

During the fourth quarter, the licensing department processed 455 new and renewal employee gaming applications. In addition Licensing issued 166 vendor employee licenses. A total of 376 applicants were submitted to National Indian Gaming Commission for review.

Software

Software Agents assisted in the installation and conversion of 475 Class II/III gaming machines across the MCN jurisdiction. Agents also assisted with breaking seals for an additional 667 machines for the quarter. Software Agents assisted an average of 12.69 machines per day.

Internal Audit

Internal Auditors completed 238 audits throughout the quarter. Auditors also reviewed 285 casino operations promotions.

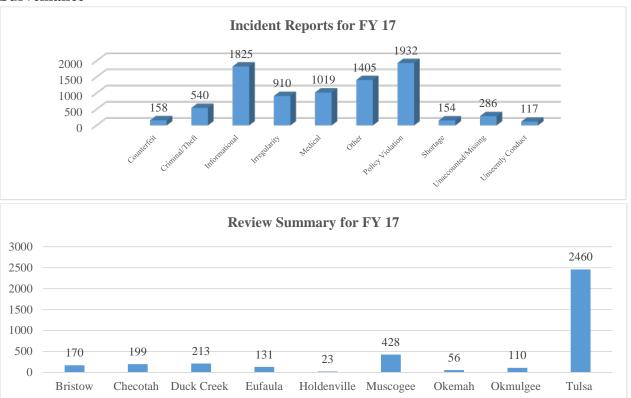
Information Technology

In addition to ongoing projects, our team has maintained continuous support of our 200+ computers, 150+ servers, 600+ user accounts, 60+ cellular devices, 75+ phone and data lines, 3000+ cameras, and 9 property-wide access control systems on both the Surveillance and OPG networks. Some of the notable achievements this quarter include:

- 90% completion of service provided change project
- Completion of Okmulgee server room upgrade
- 60 % completion of UPS A+B Redundancy Project
- Kickoff HVAC Project for Surveillance
- UPS replacement at all remote Casinos
- Load balancing of Surveillance Virtual Servers

The IT team is also responsible for fielding after-hours support calls to make sure our properties remain compliant at all times. During the fourth quarter our team worked and closed over 400 support tickets and was responsible for responding to and preventing just under 100 incidents that were all potential Minimum Internal Control Standards (MICS) violations that could directly impact revenue.

Surveillance



MUSCOGEE NATION BUSINESS ENTERPRISE – Woody Anderson, CEO

The Muscogee Nation Business Enterprise (MNBE) has two divisions: Professional Services and Life Safety & Security. Professional Services provide staff augmentation, facility and life support, and IT support and security to customers worldwide. This division has performed work in Iraq, Korea, Mexico and Afghanistan. The Life Safety & Security Division provides fire alarm systems, access control, CCTV, nurse call, data and voice cable management systems, and commercial sound systems. MNBE also operates the Travel Plazas in Muskogee and Okmulgee.

Travel Plazas

The current 10 year fuel agreement negotiated by previous management of Trade & Commerce provides no fuel rebates back to the Travel Plaza's. Trade & Commerce management accepted funds to spend on point-of-sale and signage. Current agreement will expire in July 2018. RFP's will be solicited for a new fuel agreement in 2018.

The Travel Plazas currently absorb all costs and expenses for all operations. No reimbursement of expenses is provided to the Travel Plaza. Both Travel Plazas are in dire need of repairs. All extensive repairs on the Okmulgee Travel Plaza are on hold until the firm conducting the Master Planning for the tribe has concluded their study and submitted recommendations.

Both Travel Plazas have major competition which include Love's and Quik Trip. Most of the larger chains have National Contracts with trucking firms to drive business to their locations and receive better pricing from vendors and suppliers. Expansion including renovations and new Travel Plazas that include gaming and our own franchises (Rex's) would allow be beneficial to decrease losses and increase revenue back to the nation.

Currently obtaining cost estimates for contracting with an engineering firm to evaluate the parking lots and to make recommendations for repairs and estimated cost.

MNBE Fire & Security Division

During the last QTR of 2017 this Division has made many changes in operation. The division is under new management. In addition to new management, technicians have focused on training and obtaining state licenses.

The 4th QTR of FY 17 was the laying the ground work to launch its sales strategy for the upcoming year, which includes aligning strategic partnerships, hiring an estimator and obtaining bonding to increase sales in the commercial market. This division is negotiating a territory agreement with Johnson Controls for the sales and service of certain fire system equipment. This will allow the division to expand its current products and services in the areas of access control and building automation.

This QTR also winds down a migration of full IP Video Surveillance System for the Citizen Potawatomi Nation Casino.

Rex's Chicken Franchise

Rex's opened the restaurant to the public on Friday evening September 16th and the response has been overwhelming. We continue to have lines of people coming to the restaurant. Drive Thru

is not open until we acquire additional equipment and personnel. Once equipment and staff are in place and trained we will then set a date for our Grand Opening. We will be contacting the Principal Chief, Second Chief and National Council to participate in the Grand Opening. We also have an online ordering app for customers to place their orders.

Our GM has over 24 years of experience working for a major chain and that experience has been evident in the opening of this restaurant and our operations. She is a native of Okmulgee, Oklahoma. We have a young staff that includes Bixby High School students who have done an outstanding job. Our staff is very customer oriented and the quality of the food is great.

We have had several inquiries into Franchise opportunities. These inquiries include Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas, Pennsylvania and Ohio. This store will be the catalyst for us to market Rex's Franchise opportunities.

Issues: Hiring an adequate number of staff has been difficult. We have utilized Indeed, Craig's List, Tulsa World, Muscogee (Creek) Nation PR and Human Resources Office and MNBE Human Resources. We are also working with the GM to identify additional equipment needed to keep the quality consistent for the Fry Bread and side items warm. GM is identifying equipment needed and cost. Current employees: 34 each - Store Hours: 11 am to 9 pm, Monday thru Sunday. To take an online virtual tour of the new Rex's Chicken Restaurant design go to https://goo.gl/M2RJOx.

Fuel Tax Distribution from State of Oklahoma

Please note that the MCN Tax Commission receives distribution for the Fuel Tax Compact from State of Oklahoma on a quarterly basis.

	2017	2016
1st Quarter	\$534,395.75	\$540,775.13
2nd Quarter	\$504,476.47	\$549,655.20
3rd Quarter	\$556,303.02	\$555,882.82

TOTAL COLLECTED TO-DATE: \$40,232,496.32

SALES TAX COLLECTION AT TRAVEL PLAZAS

Muskogee Travel Plaza	FY 2017	FY 2016
1st Quarter Collections	\$13,146.90	\$12,781.66
2nd Quarter Collections	\$12,145.54	\$12,798.35
3 rd Quarter Collections	\$12,680.47	\$13,758.76
4th Quarter Collections	\$11,756.84	\$13,695.78
Total Tax Collections YTD	\$49,729.75	\$53,034.55

Okmulgee Travel Plaza	FY 2017	FY 2016
1st Quarter Collections	\$12,931.14	\$16,867.12
2nd Quarter Collections	\$12,781.77	\$17,522.61
3 rd Quarter Collections	\$17,995.06	\$17,097.10
4 th Quarter Collections	\$15,043.34	\$19,025.79
Total Tax Collections YTD	\$58,751.31	\$70,513.22

Distributions Made to the Muscogee (Cree)	k) Nation
1st Quarter Distribution	\$

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1st Quarter Distribution			\$ 30,000.00
2nd Quarter Distribution			\$ 30,000.00
3rd Quarter Distribution			\$ 30,000.00
4th Quarter Distribution			\$ 30,000.00
Total Distribution YTD			\$ 120,000.00

From Inception:

Direct Payments	\$1,	,763,721.97
Contributions	\$	95,624.63

Investments

Okmulgee Golf Course	\$1,037,916.30
Muscogee International, LLC	\$1,686,576.15
Muscogee Rex	\$1,068,576.15
MNB, LLC	\$ 297,702.51
Muscogee Staffing Solutions	\$ 420,163.00

Current Number of MNBE Employees

MNBE Corporate	08	09%
Rex's	34	39%
Fire & Security	08	09%
Professional Services	01	02%
Okmulgee Travel Plaza	24	27%
Muskogee Travel Plaza	<u>12</u>	<u>14%</u>
Total Employees	87	100%
Creek	30	35%
Other Native	05	06%
African American	09	10%
Hispanic/Latino	08	09%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	01	01%
Caucasian	<u>34</u>	<u>39%</u>
Total	87	100%
Male	35	40%
Female	<u>52</u>	60%
Total	87	100%

MUSCOGEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC

12	29%
04	09%
16	37%
06	14%
01	02%
04	09%
43	100%
38	88%
05	12%
43	100%
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MSS Employee Breakdown: Corporate Staff 03

Corporate Starr	03
Contract Staff	40
Total	43

OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS – Ken Davis, Veterans Affairs Director

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation's Veterans Affairs Services Office (VASO) plans, organizes, coordinates, reviews, submits, and reconciles Muscogee veterans' and surviving spouses' claims for receipt of earned benefits and services administered through the US Department of Veterans Affairs (USDVA). MCN, not being a recognized and chartered service organization by the USDVA, has activated a MOU with the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs (ODVA) to process claims for Muscogee (Creek) veterans and surviving spouses.

Veterans' claims: 7 active claims: initiated, reopened, reviewed, burial services, inquiries, waiver, upgrade status, and requests. There are 804 active/settled claims under consideration with the USDVA. Total amount secured, 4th Quarter-FY 2017 for Muscogee veterans and surviving spouses was approximately \$116,818.00. This amount includes back pay, which was \$18,892.00; one veteran received a back-pay check for \$18,892.00.

All funds received from the VA are tax-exempt. (Local, State & Federal). Exactly 471 veterans and 33 surviving spouses in receipt of VA funds ending CY – 2017. 158 out of the 504 receiving veterans and surviving spouses currently in receipt is rated at 100% by the USDVA; 31% total in CY – 2017. Total approximate amount secured thus far for Muscogee veterans and surviving spouses for calendar year 2017 is approximately \$8,435,898.00.

VASO outreach and speeches to Muscogee Communities continues with 2 accomplished. VASO has identified and verified Purple Hearts from WWI to Iraq. Total Purple Hearts = 104. VASO started with 56 identified and verified. VASO now has a MOU directly with the Oklahoma Department Veterans Affairs. VASO's Director is anticipating accreditation active with the ODVA. VASO participated in this year's Creek Nation Festival with a float in the parade, and an open house of the veterans building. An "On-Site Push" mission, 4th Quarter-FY 2017, to locate Muscogee veterans, and surviving spouses, for VA benefits intake, and reevaluations was 27.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Active claims opened	1,042	1,051	1,058	1,073
Claims under consideration	790	795	804	818
Awarded claims	718	723	738	742
Compensation received	\$131,268	\$115,584	\$264,030	\$116,818
Back pay received	\$122,387	\$33,192	\$71,335	\$18,892
Claims denied	1	2	2	3
Living veterans	491	495	502	504
Total veterans (including deceased)	590	594	605	608
Total living 100% S/C	149	150	158	159
Total 100% since Jan 2005 (including deceased)	191	193	205	205
Current residual amount (CY 2017)	\$8,057,777	\$8,073,942	\$8,337,972	\$8,435,898
Back pay 2005–2016	\$3,541,407	\$3,574,599	\$3,645,934	\$3,664,826
Board of Veterans Appeals Hearings	0	0	6	1
Board of Veterans Appeals Hearings/wins	57/65	57/54	60/57	63/60
Purple Hearts (WWI to Iraq)	104	104	104	104
KIAs (WWI to Vietnam)	56	56	56	56
DOWIAs (WWI to Vietnam)	6	6	6	6
MCN communities visited	3	2	2	4
On-Site Push missions (home visits)	378	386	412	439

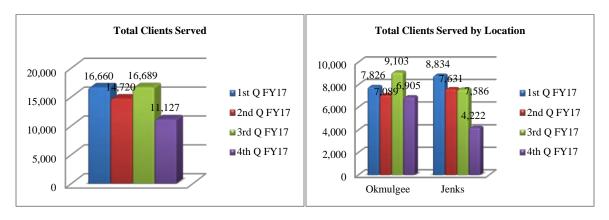
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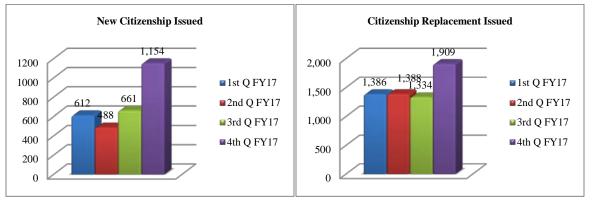
CITIZENSHIP BOARD – Nathan Wilson, Citizenship Board Director

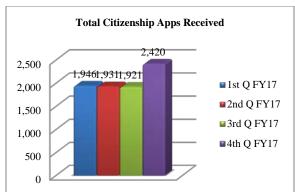
The Citizenship Board office is governed by a Citizenship Board Consisting of five members. This office provides services to citizens of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation or to potential citizens in giving direction or assisting in the lineage verification process of the Muscogee (Creek) people. The mission of this office is to verify the lineage of descendants of Muscogee (Creek) Indians by blood that is listed on the 1906 Dawes Roll.

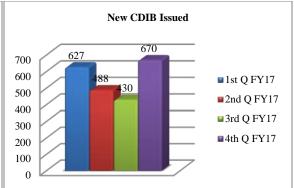
During the 4th Quarter of 2017 the Citizenship office has continued to make progress on the implementation of the ETC card. We have completed connectivity requirements to DHS. We have also finalized all artwork and have successfully completed the initial round of card data/RFID testing. Due to holidays and other obligations by external parties, we are looking at a go live date within the second quarter. The Citizenship Office also completed the monthly remote enrollments at the SRO and attended a Remote in California.

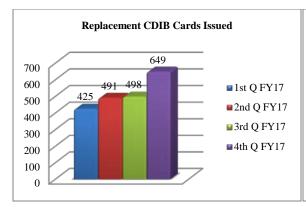
During the 4th Quarter of FY 2017 the Citizenship office has provided services to 11,127 Citizens. We have replaced 1,909 Citizenship cards, replaced 649 CDIB's, issued 1,154 new Citizenship cards, and 670 new CDIB cards. Our Total Tribal Enrollment is 84,017 as of September 30, 2017.

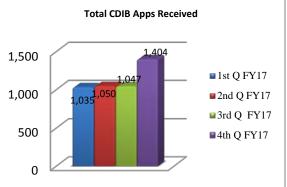


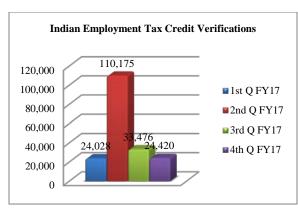












ELECTION BOARD - Nelson Harjo, Jr., Office Manager

The Election Board held the 2017 National Council Seat B Primary Election on September 16th. There was an approximate 30% increase of voter participation for this year's Primary Seat B Election versus the 2013 Primary Seat B Election. As of September 30, 2017 the total number of registered voters is 16,853.

The Election Board instituted an Electronic Polling System. This system made it easier for citizens to cast their vote at our 18 polling sites that are located throughout the Nation's 8 political districts.

This year the Election Board partnered with Muscogee (Creek) Nation's Office of Public Relations to produce a PSA commercial that began airing on local TV stations during the month of August and will continue to air until the National Council Seat B General (Run-Off) Election. The purpose of the PSA commercial was to generate more participation in the Nation's election process.

The Election Board Members are: Eugenia Tiger (Chair), Walter Pigeon (Vice Chair), Wendy Dunson (Secretary), Wilma Berryhill, and Vernon Courtwright. Nelson Harjo Jr is the Election Board Manager. For any questions or concerns contact the Election Board Office at 918-732-7631 or email us at election@mcn-nsn.gov.

<u>COLLEGE OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION BOARD OF REGENTS -</u> Robert Bible, CMN President

The report includes six bar charts that are numbered as follows: 1a) Number of Citizens and Others Enrolled, 1b) Credit Hours Generated, 2) Courses Offered, 3a) Number of Events Hosted, 3b) Participants Served at Events and 4) Spring 2017 Graduates by Major. Note: Fourth quarter data shown in the charts covers information from parts of both summer and fall trimesters, 2017. Charts 1a, 1b, 1c, and 2 reflect information from the fall trimester only. *Source: CMN Registrar's Office 10/2017*.

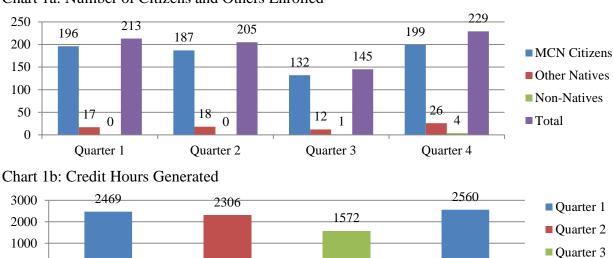


Chart 1a: Number of Citizens and Others Enrolled

Chart 1a indicates that the college has enrolled 196 Creek students for the first quarter, 187 Muscogee (Creek) students enrolled for second quarter, 132 Muscogee (Creek) students in the third quarter, and 199 Muscogee (Creek) students enrolled in the fourth quarter. Other Native students enrolled were 17 in the first quarter, and 18 in the second quarter, 12 in the third quarter, and 26 in the fourth quarter. There were no non-Native students enrolled in both the first and second quarters; however, that number increased to one in the third quarter and four in the fourth quarter. Overall, the college had a total cumulative enrollment of 213 students for first quarter of FY 2017, 205 enrolled for the second quarter, 145 for the third quarter, and 229 for the fourth quarter.

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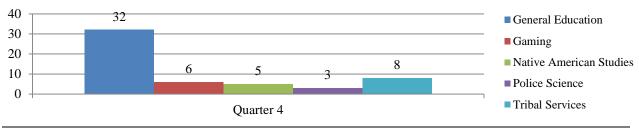
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Chart 1b indicates the number of credit hours generated by students enrolled in all classes thus far in FY 2017. The number of credit hours generated was 2,469, or a full-time equivalent (FTE) of 205 during the first quarter, 2,306 credit hours equal to 192 FTE during the second quarter, 1,572 credit hours equal to 131 FTE during the third quarter, and 2,560 credit hours equal to 213 FTE during the fourth quarter.

Chart 2: Courses Offered

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Chart 2 presents the number of courses offered according to degree area. For the fourth quarter, or fall trimester, the following number of courses were offered in the respective degree areas: 32 in General Education, 6 in Gaming, 5 in Native American Studies, 3 in Police Science, and 8 in Tribal Services, totaling 54 classes.

Chart 3a: Number of Events Hosted

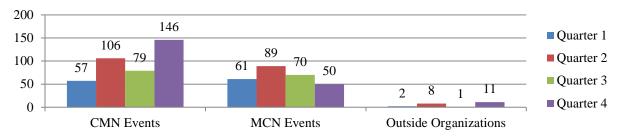
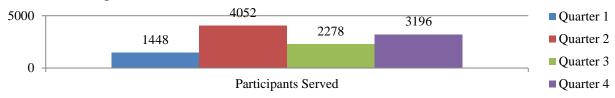


Chart 3b: Participants Served at Events

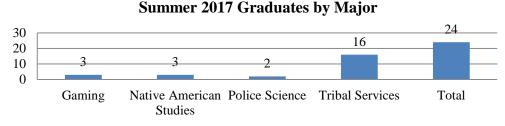


Source: CMN Executive Assistant's Office 10/2017

Chart 3a presents the number of events hosted; Chart 3b shows the number of participants served at events in each quarter. For the fourth quarter, the summer trimester and beginning of the fall trimester, the number of events held on the College of the Muscogee Nation (CMN) campus were as follows: 146 CMN Events, 50 MCN Events, and 11 events by outside agencies, totaling 207 events.

Chart 3b shows the number of participants served during the events hosted by CMN, shown in Chart 3a. For the first quarter, or fall trimester, there were 1,448 participants served. The second quarter, or spring trimester, served 4,052 participants. In the third quarter, 2,278 participants were served, and the fourth quarter, covering parts of summer and fall trimesters, 3,196 participants were served.

Chart 4: Summer 2017 Graduates by Major



Source: CMN Registrar's Office 10/2017

Chart 4 presents the number of summer 2017 graduates by major. The degree program with the highest number of graduates was Tribal Services with 16, followed by Gaming and Native American Studies with 3 each, and Police Science with 2 graduates.



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