

# Judicial Branch of the Navajo Nation FISCAL YEAR 2014 Second Quarter Report

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## Message from the Chief Justice

The Navajo Nation Judicial Districts are celebrating the 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Navajo court system throughout the month of April and early May. Each district hosts a Justice Day with activities to recognize this important anniversary. In the 55 years since the Navajo tribe took over its own court system, our judiciary has expanded to include 11 judicial districts to provide services for the local communities, the Supreme Court to hear appeals, a Peacemaking Program with traditional program specialists and local peacemakers, and most recently, the Office of Probation and Parole Services. Each has its role within the realms of dispute resolution and restorative justice. We celebrate and acknowledge the judicial system of today and what we strive to become. With that, the Judicial Branch has been working on important updates, such as developing a seal that appropriately reflects and symbolizes the services we offer and the goals for which we strive and continuing our review of Title 7 so that it may incorporate what we view as Diné justice. We aspire to continue to grow into a judicial system that the Navajo people can be proud to call their own.

A symbol of that pride would be evident in the facilities where judicial services are centralized. We continue to seek funding for the construction of a court complex that would house the Supreme Court, the Administrative Offices of the Courts and the Peacemaking Program. Arizona State Representative Albert Hale, D-St. Michaels (District 7), introduced H.B. 2559 to provide funding from the state for the proposed court complex in the amount of \$7.5 million. This would have covered approximately half the cost of the facility. However, the appropriation was not passed and was not included in the proposed state budget. The need for a facility that represents an expression of the dignity and respect for laws on the Navajo Nation is a critical one and should have been recognized by the state through collaboration with the tribe and the federal government. Nonetheless, we will continue to seek funds so that the construction of a Supreme Court complex will one day come to fruition. We thank Representative Hale and the state legislators for their support to provide funding for our proposed court complex and we continue to ask that our own Navajo Nation Council prioritize the construction of this complex when it considers a facilities priority listing. I further urge the Council to make a decision on the financing of capital projects. A prolonged delay fails to recognize the urgency of the need for better facilities for all tribal employees, not only those in Window Rock, but in all agencies. While we attempt to address the need for permanent facilities, we are also faced with the issue of immediately providing office space for those staff who are currently in inadequate facilities. The Judicial Branch continues its work in finding suitable and appropriate facilities for our staff and for the public to effectively utilize.

The Navajo Nation Chapters have been given authority under the Local Governance Act at N.N.C. 26 § 103(D)(10) to establish peacemaking or another administrative procedure for "resolving disputes arising from chapter resolutions, ordinances, or administrative action; including matters arising from personal disputes." As far as I am aware, chapters have not yet focused on developing local dispute resolution systems. I encourage the local chapters to explore the possibilities of implementing such local systems. There has been much discussion on regionalization and empowering the local chapters to utilize their authorities. Establishing local dispute resolution systems would do much for the chapters in these areas.

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## II. Vision, Mission and Strategic Goals

### VISION

It is our vision that the present judicial system, consisting of an adversarial-style tribal court system modeled on Anglo courts, a peacemaking system modeled on Diné original dispute resolution methods, and Probation and Parole Services, will fully embody the values and processes of the Navajo People, including family and clan-centered Navajo values. Our justice system as a whole will truly reflect the heart and soul of the Diné. It will be one that the People can recognize as their own and fully participate in the spirit of nábináhaazláago.

### MISSION

The Judicial Branch will provide stability in the Navajo Nation government by providing court, peacemaking, and probation and parole services, to adjudicate cases, resolve disputes, rehabilitate individuals and families, restore harmony, educate the public, agencies, services and other governments in Diné bi beenahaz' áanii, and protect persons and property pursuant to Navajo Nation laws, customs, traditions, and applicable federal laws. Pursuant to Diné bi beenahaz' áanii, the Judicial Branch will carefully develop a justice system that fully embodies the traditional values and processes of the Navajo People.

### STRATEGIC GOALS

- *One:* As the Navajo Nation court, peacemaking, and probation and parole system, we will ensure the continued provision of efficient, fair, and respectful judicial services.
- *Two:* We will ensure access to the judicial system by the public.
- *Three:* We will address the infrastructure needed to maximize partnerships across branches, agencies, and communities.
- *Four:* We will develop a judicial system in accordance with Diné bi beenahaz' áanii that fully incorporates Navajo values and processes.
- *Five:* We will address facilities needs.

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## IV. Administrative Office of the Courts

## A. Special Projects

The director of special projects:

- Presented on the FY2015 and FY2016 budgets, concerns regarding contract support costs, impacts of sequestration, etc., during a meeting of the Tribal Interior Budget Council.
- Assisted with filling vacant accounting manager and Dził Yijiin court administrator positions.
- Facilitated one NNIJISP Technology Oversight Committee meeting. A new member of the project is Navajo Nation Division of Social Services.
- Assisted with the coordination of submission to the BIA Navajo Regional Office, the Judicial Branch's Contract Disputes Act Claim against the Bureau of Indian Affairs.
- Made presentations to the Law and Order Committee in reference to operations and maintenance for the new justice complexes.
- Attended meetings with the Navajo Nation Auditor General in reference to audit issues raised regarding payments for the new justice centers.
- Facilitated several Judicial Branch work sessions in reference to strategic planning in the next quarter in regards to revisions of the strategic plan, employee personnel policies, court security, data security, etc.
- Provided technical assistance to the Division of Social Services in implementing their new case management application.
- Assisted with gathering of information in support of the Arizona House Bill 2559 to seek funding for the Supreme Court Complex.
- Appointed as member of the Navajo Nation IT Steering Committee. Attended meetings to discuss a Navajo Nation-wide IT strategy, review of existing legislations in reference to IT, sharing of information, infrastructure, reorganization of IT offices, etc.
- Attended meeting with Navajo Nation IT representatives to review agreement for purchase of enterprise application of Microsoft products, i.e. operating systems, MS office, MS SQL, etc.

The senior budget analyst:

- Ordered new digital court recorders for Pinon and Pueblo Pintado.
- Prepared *Summary of Changes on External Fund Budget* for Mod. No. 09 one-time funding of \$177,300:
  - \$8,000 for Supreme Court assigned tribal vehicle rental/mileage;
  - \$7,500 for personal travel;
  - \$3,000 for office supplies;
  - \$50,000 to purchase office equipment and furniture for Pueblo Pintado and Pinon Courts;
  - \$30,000 for building maintenance at Crownpoint, Tuba City, and Dilkon Courts;
  - \$78,800 to upgrade or replace CPUs at all judicial districts.
- Prepared *Summary of Changes on the External Fund Budget* for Mod. 10 \$378,970 represents the distribution of FY2014 Tribal Priority Allocations funding for the continuing resolution authorized through January 15, 2014:
  - \$249,555 to pay salaries from March 2, 2014, through June 27, 2014, for one chief probation officer, three senior probation officers, and 22 bailiffs;
  - \$112,325 for fringe benefits;
  - \$16,044 for operating supplies;
  - \$296 to supplement the contract for elevator service at Tuba City Justice Center;
  - \$750 to supplement the contract for HVAC services at Tuba City Justice Center.

- Prepared *Summary of Changes on the External Fund Budget* for Mod. 11 \$116,845 represents the distribution of FY2014 funding through February 26, 2014, at 9.04%.
  - \$71,485 to pay salaries from June 28, 2014, through July 25, 2014, for one chief probation officer, three senior probation officers, and 22 bailiffs;
  - \$32,175 for fringe benefits;
  - \$13,185 for personal travel.

The grants administrator:

- Submitted the CTAS grant application in the amount of \$3,362,833 on behalf of the Navajo Nation. Purpose Areas specific to the Judicial Branch include Purpose Area 2 for development of a Tribal Action Plan specific to TLOA and VAWA, Purpose Area 3 to improve and enhance probation and parole services, and Purpose Area 8 to develop a teen truancy court in the Chinle Judicial District.
- Submitted the 2014 Smart Supervision Grant application in the amount of \$743,753 to enhance probation/parole services by developing a reentry program for offenders.
- Presented a draft Memorandum of Agreement to the Chinle Unified School District for peacemaking services in the schools.
- Worked on getting the CTAS 2013 award accepted by the Navajo Nation Council. The award will be to implement a Veterans Outreach Program to enhance the To'hajiilee Healing to Wellness Court.
- Worked on getting the 2014 JAG award accepted by the Navajo Nation Council. The award will be used to supplement the purchase of Justiceweb, a web application of Justware.
- Worked with Navajo Nation Emergency Management to submit claims for consideration of reimbursement for repairs at the Shiprock District Court as a result of Summer 2013 storms and floods.

## B. Archiving

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The information data technician prepared, organized, and scanned 1,274 files, including inactive personnel files for Judicial Branch Human Resources, closed case files for the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, and inactive files for the Office of the Chief Justice.

The information data technician assisted the Chinle, Window Rock, Tuba City, Shiprock and Crownpoint Judicial Districts with retrieval of archived microfilmed records. The Judicial Branch has only one machine available to view and print documents. District personnel retrieve and print records from the new scanner/printer at AOC.

The information data technician provided training on use of archiving equipment and scanning of court records at the Dilkon, Window Rock, and Ramah Judicial Districts.

The information data technician provided assistance to IT personnel by receiving and processing IT service requests submitted by the judicial districts and Judicial Branch programs.

2. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To scan closed case files for the Navajo Nation Supreme Court.

To receive IT service requests from Judicial Branch judicial districts, Supreme Court, Probation Services, Peacemaking Program, and Administrative Office of the Courts.

To provide assistance, as needed, to the Judicial Branch IT Section, Fiscal Office, Special Projects, Human Resources, and Office of the Chief Justice.

To perform other duties as assigned.

## C. Information Technology

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

Provided continual HP AlphaServer, case management system (CMS), hardware, and other applicable network support at Ramah Court.

Provided continual personal computer support at Tuba City, Kayenta, Chinle, Dził Yijiin, Window Rock, Shiprock, Crownpoint, Ramah, Alamo, To'hajiilee, Dilkon, and Aneth courts. Personal computer support consisted of hardware/software support and software patches/updates for personal computers.

Provided continual support for digital recording systems, archival scanning systems, and video conferencing equipment.

Provided system administration support for the New Dawn Technologies Justware computer software application for NN Supreme Court; Shiprock court, probation, prosecutor; Dilkon court, probation, peacemaking, prosecutor; Chinle court, probation, peacemaking, and prosecutor; Aneth court, probation, peacemaking; Kayenta court, probation, peacemaking, prosecutor; Tuba City court, probation, and peacemaking; Window Rock court, probation, peacemaking, prosecutor; Crownpoint court, probation, peacemaking, prosecutor; and Dzil Yijiin court.

2. Other significant accomplishments

Attended NDT Justware configuration/administrator/planning meetings.

Attended teleconference meetings with NDT personnel/project managers to continue implementation and rollout of Justware software.

Upgraded New Dawn Justware software application from 5.4 to 5.9.

Provided training for court and peacemaking SMEs.

Met with Navajo Nation Division of Social Services personnel to provide assistance with planning, implementing, and developing a Justware application for social services case management.

Met with Navajo Nation Division of Social Services personnel to provide assistance with the planning, implementation, and development of Title IV-E.

Met with Insight Company to discuss Microsoft Enterprise Licensing for Microsoft OS, Microsoft Office, and Microsoft Exchange software applications.

Attended IT Steering Committee meetings to discuss how all Navajo Nation IT can alleviate costs of technology.

Met with Pima tribal personnel to discuss New World Systems to Justware Middleware Interface, an in-house software API application.

Installed and configured wireless routers for To'hajiilee and Alamo courts to accommodate internet providers and IP address collisions.

Assisted JCG Technologies in installing, configuring, and testing digital court recording equipment at Crownpoint and Tuba City Judicial Districts.

Continued installation of D-Link wireless routers at the courts and provided support and configuration.

Installed DSL router for Alamo Court and assisted Western New Mexico Communications.

Re-configured the Chinle Brocade switch to accommodate new VPN subnet. Re-configured IP addresses for Chinle Court users and printers.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To maintain HP AlphaServer computer support at Ramah Judicial District and Administrative Office of the Courts.

To maintain personal computer support at courts in Tuba City, Kayenta, Chinle, Window Rock, Shiprock, Crownpoint, Ramah, Alamo, To'hajiilee, Dilkon, Aneth, and Dził Yijiin.

To continue limited support for digital recorders and document archival computer systems.

To provide configuration/maintenance support to the NNIJISP Project at Tuba City, Kayenta, Chinle, Window Rock, Shiprock, Crownpoint, Dilkon, Aneth, To'hajiilee, Dził Yijiin courts, probation, and peacemaking.

To provide limited configuration/maintenance support to the NNIJISP Project at Tuba City, Kayenta, Chinle, Window Rock, Shiprock, Crownpoint, Dilkon, and To'hajiilee prosecutor offices.

To continue maintenance/upgrades of all PCs for all judicial districts.

To provide continued support and training for NDT's Justware application at all Navajo Nation courts, peacemaking, probation, and prosecutor offices.

To deploy the Justware software application for rollout at Ramah and Alamo courts.

To enable video conferencing at all Navajo Nation judicial districts.

To provide technical guidance and assistance to the Division of Social Services personnel in their development, configuration, and implementation of the Justware application.

## V. Navajo Nation Peacemaking Program

A. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

Provided services to children, families and the general public:

- Direct services were provided to Navajo families in the courts, at the agencies, the community chapters, and in the schools. A total of 1,170 individuals were served this quarter. Services included the Diné Traditional Peacemaking (PM), Diné Family Group Conferencing (DFGC), Life Value Engagement (LVE), Peacemaking Youth Apprentice Mentoring Program (PYEAP), Teaching the Traditional Dispute Resolution Curriculum (TTDRC) and School Presentations (SP) and Community Outreach (CO).
- <u>Alamo PMP</u> received six new cases and closed one case. The traditional program specialist (TPS) provided a presentation on bullying at Alamo Community School. The Alamo PMP and Probation Services partnered with Navajo Treatment Center for Children and Families to provide traditional teachings on domestic violence, roles of males and females, and substance abuse. The TPS gave a presentation during an Alamo resource meeting on the program's memorandums of agreement process and Peacemaking Youth Apprenticeship services. Alamo School personnel requested that truancy and student violence issues be addressed using peacemaking. During a second resource meeting, the referral process from the courts to peacemaking was discussed. The program requested that school counselors provide more in-depth information on objectives to be accomplished which would help in service planning for peacemaking. Alamo PMP is actively involved in getting the Healing to Wellness Court implemented. TPS attended a meeting of the Fort McDowell Tribal Healing to Wellness Court treatment team. The coordinator of the Yavapai Nation Tribal Court shared information on implementing a Tribal Healing to Wellness Court.
- <u>Aneth PMP</u> received nine new cases and closed 14 cases. The TPS partnered with the school counselor of White Horse High School (WHHS) to provide traditional teachings on "Taking Care of Yourself and Honoring Your Words, Your Parents, Your Environment and Your Attitude in the School." The TPS, peacemaker, and WHHS vice-principal met to discuss reporting of suspected sexual abuse cases to appropriate agencies, the ABBA, and domestic relations of minors living together. The peacemaker conducted a group session on truancy, tardiness, and time management for students at WHHS. The Aneth PMP is actively involved in the district's pro se clinics and the Community Court Innovation Project. Peacemaking sessions were held for two families; they were provided teachings on the Hogan and the sacredness of a home, the importance of getting an education, and the roles of parents and their active participation in their children's education.
- <u>Chinle PMP</u> received 29 new cases and closed 24 cases. The program utilized the Navajo Youth Education Initiative. The program provided direct services and received referrals involving children and youth in civil and criminal proceedings from the court. Peacemakers provided group and individual life value engagement services. In this quarter, a total 60 individuals made inquiries for services. The TPS attended a meeting with the Save Our Student program at Chinle Unified School District, Ama Doo Alchini Bighan, Inc., Department of Behavioral Health Services, IHS Mental Health Services, Chinle Probation Department and other local resources. The program assisted with a presentation on "Traditional Teachings within the Home" for individuals who are court ordered to attend.
- <u>Crownpoint PMP</u> received 30 new cases and closed 15 cases. The program promoted K'é and traditional teachings and provided peacemaking services to local community members, youths at schools, and the courts. The program received 30 new referrals, an indication that local communities are informed of peacemaking services and coming forward to seek services.

- <u>Dilkon PMP</u> received 62 new cases, closed 60 cases, and made 59 follow-up services. The program provided prevention and intervention services to Diné families through walk-ins, referrals from schools, courts and probation and parole services. Seventeen new students were referred this quarter. The peacemakers/traditional counselors provided teaching traditions at the schools and served a total of 677 students. The program also provided services to parents to educate them on teaching traditions; the parent course consisted of Diné philosophy for learning and living, nitsahakees, nahata, iina doo sihasin. The focus was to address domestic violence and anger management. Two peacemakers/certified traditional counselors worked in providing life value engagement services in five schools. Other peacemakers continued to provide services and education as well. The program provided services to help clients with emotional problems and dispute issues; the majority of the cases are resolved using k'é.
- <u>Dził Yijiin PMP</u> received three new cases. The program is located in the Whippoorwill Regional Business Building. The TPS and probation officer commute daily from the Chinle Courts. The program is actively working on initiating the Navajo Youth Peacemaking Apprenticeship Program. The court is making referrals for life value engagement services.
- <u>Kayenta PMP</u> received 10 new cases and closed 11 cases. The program reports that the number of cases has dropped. There is no judge, no staff attorney, and the program is receiving minimal referrals from the courts. However, inquiries about peacemaking from the general public are increasing.
- <u>Ramah PMP</u> received 42 new cases and closed 28 cases. This is an increase from the first quarter when the program received only two court referrals. The peacemaker/traditional counselor provided life value engagement services. The program made periodic home visits for follow-ups, maintained close working relationships with the district court staff and probation services, and worked closely with Department of Behavioral Health Services. DBHS recently implemented a program called "Strengthening the Circle for Youth" and one peacemaker is actively providing direct services in this new program.
- Shiprock PMP received 40 new cases and closed seven cases. The program presented on peacemaking services during a district pro se clinic, Shiprock High School Career Awareness Day, and Diné Aging Conference. The TPS provided direct services to a family and provided life value engagement services to twin boys and their parents to emphasize the importance of education. The TPS met with a school counselor of Tse'Bit'Ai Middle School to discuss school referrals and ways to address lack of parent involvement in a child's education. The Shiprock and Aneth TPS attended ceremonies for two students who received direct services. Other students from Newcomb School are being recommended for ceremonies so the program will provide guidance and support by conducting life value engagement services to help the families plan and achieve their goals. The program worked closely with probation services by brainstorming ideas on prevention services for probationers. The program is communicating with BIA Natural Resources regarding land and grazing permits.
- <u>To'hajiilee PMP</u> received 25 new cases and closed 20 cases. The TPS is actively working with local schools; he facilitated a meeting to address the current referral process for students with truancy issues. After a lengthy discussion, the group came up with a referral process for peacemaking intervention services. The program set up an information booth and provided presentations on the Navajo Youth Peacemaker Apprenticeship Program during the To'hajiilee Community School Career Fair. The program provided teaching tradition on domestic violence to FACE Program participants at To'hajiilee Community School. The program provided teaching tradition on bullying to 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students at To'hajiilee Community School.
- <u>Tuba City PMP</u> received 17 new cases and closed nine cases this quarter

Window Rock PMP received 32 new cases and closed 13 cases. Since January 2014, eleven • student referrals were made by the Window Rock High School vice-principal. Referrals are emailed to the program by the school, and a notice is sent to the parents letting them know the school has made the referral, and, that the parent and child need to make contact with the peacemaking office. Very few parents followed through and come in with their child, others notify the program that they will speak with their child and will deal with the matter on their own, and some do not even make attempts to contact the program. A meeting was held with two MSPI cultural liaisons that do traditional teachings once a month at the Fort Defiance Indian Hospital hogan. Discussions resulted in sharing of processes since the liaisons also teach in the schools. The TPS would like to explore this further since most referrals from schools are young males and most come from a single-mother household. The plan is to incorporate or amend the MOA to further access MSPI cultural liaisons by referring young males for appropriate teachings. Another meeting is planned to go over student referrals and develop a better process. The program provided direct services to the Window Rock Judicial District by conducting four Life Value Workshops on hogan haz'aadoo na'nintin, the traditional aspects of self-discipline, self-respect, and hoozho'o na'a da. The goal is to teach traditional self-awareness to individuals with criminal complaints and to reach out to repeat offenders. The TPS, Window Rock Unified School District school administrators and counselors, and other service providers, i.e., social services, prosecutor, Office of NN Vice President, met to discuss ways community resources can assist schools with truancy, bullying, and student dropout issues. The TPS provided a short overview on the traditional approach of talking to students and parents. She also mentioned that an MOA between peacemaking and the school district has been in place since August 2013, and that, so far, only two students have been referred. The majority of the administrators were not aware of MOA. The group decided to meet again in the near future.

## Recruited peacemakers and provided continual training for TPSs and peacemakers on program services and traditional counseling certification:

- The bi-culture training manager, traditional Diné researcher, program coordinator, grants administrator, and associate attorney met with the program consultant to discuss ways to further improve the traditional counseling certification process. Other discussions were on costs, results of the last training, material/curriculum used, and areas in the curriculum that need improvement. The group agreed to develop an evaluation to identify the positive results. This lead to the need to evaluate the entire program by the program consultant. The program submitted a revised contract for the consultant which was approved and scheduled evaluations to be completed in the next quarter.
- The second meeting was held in Shiprock, Mexico. The program coordinator, bi-culture training manager, traditional Diné researcher, and program consultant Larry Emerson discussed the evaluation of the program. The idea is to identify training needs that have emerged over the past few years to align with new legislations, policies, and grant requirements that may have changed over the last few years. Dr. Emerson will draft a training needs report that outlines an updated PMP training program. Dr. Emerson will contact the program when he has developed the overall evaluation. The evaluation dates will be on April 23 and 24, 2014.
- Window Rock PMP identified new peacemakers who will participate in the upcoming traditional certification training, including two peacemakers from Ganado who already have background checks. Three certified peacemakers from Window Rock Judicial District were given instructions on where to obtain background clearances and fingerprinting. One peacemaker is pursuing her background check through the Apache County Sheriff's Office.

## Provided information and education on the plan of operation and program services and coordinated services with schools and community chapters:

- Crownpoint PMP reported on new goals and updates on the program during a regular chapter meeting at Little Water Chapter. Though a survey, she learned that the community is interested in presentations on domestic violence and alcohol and substance abuse prevention. The program recruited new peacemakers from Chichiltah and Crownpoint Chapters.
- Kayenta PMP provided an intermediate-level orientation for Kayenta and Aneth peacemakers. Presentations were on program updates, Peacemaking Plan of Operation, program services, individual and group life value engagement services, and traditional peacemaking sessions. One peacemaking meeting was held at the Kayenta and Tuba City PMP.
- Ramah PMP facilitated an orientation for peacemakers on the Peacemaking Plan of Operation. The program displayed teaching materials available for use, i.e., curriculum, books, posters, and games. One peacemaker is actively using the teaching tools and materials for presentations during group life value engagement services. The TPS attended Ramah Chapter meetings to support the community's selection of a new peacemaker. She participated in Pine Hill School's "Dream Makers Health Career Program" to encourage students to achieve their goals and dreams and to not forget their cultural values, language, prayers, and songs.
- Window Rock PMP gave a presentation on the Peacemaking Plan of Operation during the Fort Defiance Agency District Grazing Committee meeting. The program provided education on the new process related to probate and quiet title. The new process requires clients to begin by filing in the district court, and then, the court may refer the matter to peacemaking for resolution. The presentation was instrumental to convey understanding of the new plan of operation and court processes. WRJD staff attorney Robyn Naswood was present to answer legal questions.

### Provided technical support to peacemakers and traditional program specialists:

• The program coordinator and traditional Diné researcher conducted one case staffing with a focus on the nature of referrals. Instructions were provided on how each referral must have a service plan, objectives to be accomplished, and a determination on the number of services it will take to accomplish the objectives.

## Obtaining memorandums of agreement from schools:

- Ramah PMP is working with Pine Hill Schools in getting a memorandum of agreement in place, but, turnover in the school administration is affecting the programs within the school. There is only one school in Ramah Judicial District. The community at large is a Christian community so they are not open to Diné traditional teachings. However, the school is making some referrals to the court. The program is receiving these referrals and services are being provided to youth.
- To'hajiilee PMP met with behavioral health services about the possibility of partnerships in the memorandum of agreement with the To'hajiilee Community School.

## *Provided technical assistance to the districts, scheduled meetings and trainings, and provided information needed for the programs to run smoothly:*

• The program held a mandatory meeting to provide information and updates regarding the overall operations of the program and grants being implemented. The importance of data collection, statistics, and record keeping of all direct services and projects being implemented were emphasized.

#### Help peacemakers become involved with local resources:

- The traditional Diné researcher met with treatment coordinator Edward T. Begay of the Navajo Treatment Center for Children and Families. Mr. Begay was provided information about the peacemaking process. He stated that some of his clients may benefit from peacemaking. Follow up contact was made with Mr. Begay about the possibility of an MOA to use the center's traditional practitioners as a potential resource for peacemaking clients. Of interest to the traditional Diné researcher is Mr. Begay's presentation on how correlations can be made between the traditional symptoms as opposed to western symptoms, diagnosis, and treatment. Symptoms such as depression and what is found in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders could be compared and required treatment recommended in both western and traditional. Further contact with Mr. Begay is planned.
- Shiprock PMP provided training to a new peacemaker. The peacemaker had opportunity to sit in on an actual peacemaking session conducted by a skilled peacemaker. The new peacemaker engaged with participants and provided education on important family values.
- To'hajiilee PMP held a resource meeting at the district court to discuss development of a youth peacemaker program. The group recommended that Albuquerque Schools be included in future discussions.
- The Window Rock traditional program specialist gave a presentation to staff of Ganado Family Unit of Division of Social Services on the peacemaking program and the process for referring families for parenting education. Another meeting was set up to further discuss the referral process so families don't have to travel to Window Rock, perhaps facilitate monthly workshops for families at the Ganado Family Unit office. The TPS met with staff of TseHoTso Medical Center who work with suicide prevention and methamphetamine. Two are cultural liaisons who conduct monthly traditional teachings at the hospital hogan. It was discovered that one culture liaison is already working with the Scouts Pride Program, a program for students with limitations in keeping up with other students in regular classrooms. The program is working on logistics to amend the peacemaking MOA with the school to have him teach young males while they are in school.

### Learn to use Justware sharing system to improve the peacemaking case management system:

- The program worked on improving its case management system, use of Justware, and case review. Members of the case management team include the Crownpoint TPS, Tuba City peacemaking office technician, program coordinator, automation/information technology manager, and IT program support specialist. The group worked on designing forms, making changes in Justware configurations and drop downs menus, developing flow charts on actual processing of cases, and developed a proposed process that will be revisited once all the forms and changes are made in the system. A deadline of April 18, 2014, was set for the peacemaking forms to be installed in Justware.
- The Crownpoint traditional program specialist is one of two SMEs for the program. She provided technical assistance during case reviews in Shiprock and Chinle. The other SME is the Tuba City peacemaking office technician; she actively participated in the Justware work session in Tuba City, Arizona, where the group worked on how Justware can help gather data and make it more user friendly.
- The program conducted case reviews and accounted for 2012, 2013, and 2014 cases. Report forms were created and distributed to all districts to complete a physical case inventory and submit reports accordingly.
- All traditional program specialists attended training to receive updates on changes made in the Justware system, so the case management system is compatible with the Peacemaking Plan of Operation.

#### B. Other significant accomplishments

Ramah PMP worked closely with probation services and law enforcement to develop a team to provide outreach services at the Navajo Housing Authority, provide awareness in the community to address gang activities and drugs sold to children, and work with parents with children involved with gangs. The program is planning to hold a youth conference to provide education.

The Crownpoint TPS, traditional Diné researcher, bi-culture training manager, and program coordinator rotated to provide direct services to the Shiprock community while the Shiprock TPS was on extended sick leave. Staff made home visits and follow ups and conducted Life Value Engagement services as needed. Upon his return, the Shiprock TPS made efforts to gain more traditional knowledge from elders. He attended a presentation regarding the sweat lodge in perspective of intertribal female tacheeh and Diné male tacheeh.

The Tuba City Peacemaking Program office technician was given dual-user privileges in Justware for both peacemaking and probation services. The process is working. During the budget work session, the program introduced the new "Case Listing Form" to be completed for 2012, 2013, and 2014. The form will be helpful in gathering statistics and counting the different services provided by peacemaking.

The Window Rock Peacemaking Program presented on peacemaking and traditional dispute resolution to law students from Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Boston, Massachusetts. She provided education on knowing and understanding K'e, kinship and traditional family values to students and staff of Bethel College from North Newton, Kansas. Lastly, the TPS gave an overview of peacemaking and traditional teachings used in dispute resolution to a group of Public Policy and Cultural Studies professors and researchers from Oregon State University in Corvallis, Oregon, and Humboldt University zu Berlin.

The associate attorney, Chief Justice, program coordinator, bi-culture training manager, traditional Diné researcher, and Shiprock traditional program specialist met regarding the Peacemaking Program's structure and possible funding for the program. Discussions for planning focused on program accountabilities, services deliverables, technical assistance needs for the direct services in support of the TPS, and FY2014/FY2014 budgets.

The program held a budget work session with all program staff. Staff of the Judicial Branch Administrative Offices of the Courts presented on program budgets, expenses, and grant funds requirements. The staff participated in the needs assessment for the overall program. These assessments identified accomplishments and short comings of the program and staff. One Team focused on services from the central office and the other focused on the district peacemaking programs. The assessments identified personal and professional challenges, commitment to the program, and knowledge of the program's Plan of Operation. Other areas included technical assistance for direct services, administrative services accountabilities provided by Peacemaking Program central office and district peacemaking programs, evaluations of direct services involving the needs of the general public, outreach services, Title 7 revisions, working with community chapters, schools and resources, and collaborative efforts with the courts and probation services. The assessments will be used to develop structured program services and corrective actions for planning and implementation. The needs assessments will used for budget planning for FY2015.

The program successfully completed three Title 7 revisions work sessions in this quarter. Participants included program staff, chief justice, associate justice, traditional program specialists, and select medicine men. The director of special projects, chief probation officer, and senior probation officers attended the last meeting. At the beginning of each session, the bi-culture training manager presented new revisions and refinement of the preamble written in the Navajo language. The traditional medicine men provided songs to lead the group into deep concentration. Discussions were on deep-rooted ancient laws that focus on the importance of peacemaking, how the government is structured today, and how the government can teach the Navajo language.

The program coordinator and Ramah traditional program specialist participated in the Title IV-E resource meeting facilitated by Ramah staff attorney Dan Moquin. The federal district attorneys presented on domestic violence offenders, the referral process, and the prosecution process. Other participants included representatives from Pine Hill School, Ramah Chapter, and Ramah behavioral health services, social services, probation services, public defender, and law enforcement.

The traditional Diné researcher, program coordinator, and traditional program specialists from Crownpoint and Window Rock met with the Arizona Assistant U.S. Attorney and Tribal Relations Advisor on how peacemaking can provide services to offenders or victims of domestic violence. It was reported that many domestic violence cases are filed, but, many of them are not prosecuted. Families need help resolving these problems. The Assistant U.S Attorney mentioned that he witnessed and liked the way peacemaking was conducted and individuals who are incarcerated and their families could use these traditional teachings. The group agreed that services are needed and the program is willing to provide services. Another meeting will be scheduled and include the Navajo Nation chief prosecutor and a judge.

The program participated in a meeting with the Native American Disability Law Office and Native American Disability Council regarding the revision of the Navajo Nation Disability Laws. The program provided guidance in getting language included that reflects the Fundamental Laws of the Diné. The traditional Diné researcher made recommendations as to the importance of establishing harmony and balance within a person and their homestead.

The bi-culture training manager worked on educational materials to be used for teaching traditions. This quarter, he worked on hogan ha'áádóó na'nitin, "Parent as a Traditional Teacher and Language as a Communication Tool.

C. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To provide orientation and traditional counseling certification training for new peacemakers.

To provide more direct services to children, families, and the general public.

To provide direct and prevention services in the schools and assist peacemakers with scheduled direct services.

To conduct more traditional teachings.

To assist the traditional program specialists in completing traditional counseling certifications related to the Navajo Peacemaking Youth Apprenticeship Program.

To provide presentations on peacemaking and promote/recruit peacemakers at local chapters.

To collaborate with probation services to provide traditional teachings to probation and parole clients.

To complete the traditional counseling certification training evaluation and the overall program evaluation.

To help peacemakers become involved with local resources and programs and to provide teaching tradition.

To use the Justware system to improve case management.

To complete additional teaching materials that will be used for community outreach with local chapters and the public.

To develop a combination of educational material to be used with the peacemaker/teacher curriculum.

## VI. Navajo Nation Probation Services

A. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

In this quarter, the Navajo Nation Probation and Parole Services:

- Audited cases in Shiprock, Tuba City, Aneth, Kayenta, and Chinle. To'hajiilee/Alamo and Window Rock Probation Services will be audited in the next quarter before proceeding with follow-ups.
- Completed its performance evaluation form for PPS. Drafts were sent to Dilkon staff attorney Jordon Hale to review for legal language and revisions. Once returned, it will be included in the EPP so PPS can begin using the form.
- Coordinated training on statistical reporting (monthly, quarterly, and annual) for the probation officers. Statistical information includes overall numbers generated on a monthly basis with the addition of new short-term numbers to be tracked. The emphasis is to track numbers for data collection. The new statistical form will eventually be integrated with the Justware program.
- Made efforts to refer cases to the Peacemaking Program. Cases are being referred, but probation officers still raise issues and questions regarding the method currently used by peacemaking, including a curriculum and the Life Value Engagement mythology. PPS will coordinate with peacemaking regarding future training specifically focused on the Life Value Engagement, a teaching mechanism for clients referred to peacemaking.
- B. Other significant accomplishments

The three senior probation officers and CPO met every Tuesday to discuss new and pending projects, trainings, administrative issues, and concerns of the district probation officers. The meetings are intended to assure that PPS managers are incompliance with policies and processes. Accomplishments at these manager meetings include administrative processes within probation/parole services; case audit summaries and guidelines to the probation officers; developing performance evaluation forms for new hires and annual evaluation of staff; and administrative changes and updates.

Interviews were conducted for the vacant Shiprock probation officer position. Upon conclusion of the interview, a decision was made to hire Brent Detsoi. Mr. Detsoi is currently serving his 90-day introductory period.

CPO attended two meetings of the Community Court Innovation at the Aneth Judicial District. During the first meeting, the CCI steering committee developed and implemented ideas to enhance the program. The second was a district resource meeting to identify and network with surrounding community resources.

The district probation officers attended the PPS quarterly meeting at the Alamo Court on March 7, 2014. Probation officers were provided updated information on program enhancements, district activities, internal PPS administrative changes, case management, and projections for the budget to the end of the fiscal year. Peacemaking coordinator Gloria Benally gave a presentation on peacemaking roles and duties.

Probation officer JoAnn Holyan-Terry and CPO attended a presentation in Ramah, New Mexico, on Title IV-E by staff attorney Dan Moquin. The presentation was provided to local resources and programs on the intent of Title IV-E. Issues such as eligibility requirements were explained.

Senior probation officer Larry Tsosie and CPO participated in an ABBA revision meeting at the Dilkon Judicial District. The committee is revising the ABBA Act of Rules of Procedures. The content of the Act includes probation services so PPS is required to participate in committee meetings. PPS comments, suggestions, and revisions were noted.

Senior probation officer Larry Tsosie and CPO attended a meeting on the Title 7 referendum that the Peacemaking Program is spearheading with the Chief Justice. The group discussed coordination of the referendum excursion that will be scheduled in the surrounding communities of the Navajo Nation. The referendum will include the role probation has in the criminal justice system or the Diné justice concept that will be circulated.

Aneth probation officer Bettina Norton attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Utah Indian Child Welfare Conference in Fort Duchesne, Utah. Participants obtained valuable information on how the Indian child welfare system works between native tribal entities and the state of Utah. This is another network agency that Aneth PPS can use. Officer Norton also worked with and assisted the Community Court Innovation project coordinator in the enhancement and development of the program. She continued to refer cases to CCI which is an alternative sentencing method for clients. So far, the program is beneficial with successful outcome.

Chinle Probation and Parole Services successfully coordinated three public educational forums for clients. The first featured coyote stories; the second was on traditional stories with morals and values by prevention specialist Victor Clyde; and the third was presented by probation clients on a VIP perspective of how alcohol affects lives.

Chinle Probation and Parole Services coordinated and collaborated services with Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) to have community service workers pick up trash alongside the roads within the town limits of Chinle, Arizona. ADOT will provide trash bags and "men at work" road signs to assure the safety of workers.

The Crownpoint probation staff put together a presentation on the duties and roles of probation officers and the types of services provided by probation services. This presentation will be featured during the 2014 Justice Day event at Crownpoint.

Crownpoint probation officers Sharon Willie, Charlotte Tapaha, Marshall Benally, and JoAnn Holyan-Terry reported successful outcomes with their clients. Proper referrals, consistency in follow-ups, and maintaining professional proper caseloads resulted in client gratitude and willingness to make positive lifestyle changes.

Dilkon probation officers Lucinda Cling and Nick Lafontaine and Judge Geraldine Benally provided presentations regarding juvenile court proceedings, domestic violence, and probation and parole services responsibilities and duties to staff and students at Leupp Schools. During this quarter, the Dilkon PPS increased referrals for their clients. Further, the probation officers networked with outside agencies and pooled resources within Dilkon and surrounding areas, such as Winslow and Flagstaff, Arizona, to give them more resources to work with rather than just local agencies.

Senior probation officer Larry Tsosie was reassigned to handle probation cases at the Dził Yijiin Judicial District. Officer Tsosie met with clients and appeared for arraignments on a weekly basis at the temporary court location. Officer Tsosie is currently re-establishing probation services and networking with the community entities for outreach efforts. The enhancement and development of probation services in this district is slow at this time.

Kayenta Probation and Parole Services is coordinating classes and presentations for clients, including a victim impact panel and diabetes prevention program. Traditional and other educational forums will be considered in the near future.

Crownpoint senior probation officer JoAnn Holyan-Terry referred a client with alcohol addiction to the Peacemaking Program. The outcome was successful; the client was reunited with her teen children and is reported to be in better spirits and optimistic that she will overcome her alcohol addiction. Ms. Holyan-Terry provided information to local schools on resources available to provide alcohol/drug education presentations at schools. The presentations will be used as an alternative solution rather than imposing suspension or expulsion of a student. The Teen Court Program was also recommended as an alternative method. Ms. Holyan-Terry will be overseeing cases and submit reports and statistical information for the Pueblo Pintado Court.

Shiprock probation officers Lucy Yesslilth, Janice Harvey, Gibson McDonald, and Brent Detsoi focused on field work this quarter. Field work is an important aspect of probation for accountability purposes and provides clients with consistent follow ups. The Shiprock probation officers have been training and orientating new probation officer Brent Detsoi on field work, case management, and working with the courts, corrections, and law enforcement. Reorganization of the office technician's job tasks and duties was also part of his training.

Tuba City Probation Services focused on working with clients who report to them at their office. Referrals and field work were conducted to complete presentence report investigation orders by the court. The majority of the work focused on referrals of clients to service providers.

Alamo/To'hajiilee probation officer Lauren Billy coordinated a traditional healing and teachings presentation for her clients. She coordinated with the Navajo Treatment Center for Children and Family Services of Fort Defiance, Arizona, to assist with presentations on K'é, recovery from abuse and trauma, anger management, parent/child problems, adolescent issues, and inappropriate behavior at school and home. These topics were presented from the perspective of traditional values, concepts, and prayers. The outcome was successful and requests to have the presentations ongoing have been voiced by clients and the community. As a result, she will be coordinating these classes/presentations with NTCFS on a quarterly basis.

Window Rock Probation and Parole Services joined the efforts of providing community outreach by having community service workers pick up trash within the town limits of Window Rock and Fort Defiance, Arizona. Trash pickup by community service workers will be conducted once a month. Probation officer Harmon Mason was assigned through a court order to be a Guardian Ad Litem in a dependency proceeding in the Window Rock Family Court. He has been collaborating with attorneys, family services, and the courts on the outcome of the child's wellbeing. Probation officer Marcellus Morgan placed a minor at Familyworks, Inc., of Albuquerque, New Mexico. Officer Morgan has been attending case staffing in Albuquerque and, thus far, all appears to be positive.

C. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To coordinate committees among probation staff to complete pending tasks and projects.

To develop and structure the probation unit accordingly.

To audit and review case management systems for probation officers.

To coordinate future in-house trainings for probation officers.

## VII. Courts of the Navajo Nation

## A. Supreme Court of the Navajo Nation

- 1. Supreme Court Caseload Statistics
  - a. Civil

ervii		Jan	Feb	Mar	<u>Total</u>
(1)	Cases Filed	7	5	6	18
	-Contract2				
	-Domestic Relations6				
	-Employment/Labor2				
	-Tort2				
	-Writs5				
	-Reconsideration(s)1				
(2)	Cases Completed	1	1	7	9
(3)	Hearing(s) Held	1	2	1	4
(4)	Total Decisions this Quarter:				
	(a) Memorandum Decisions	0	0	0	0
	(b) Orders	12	13	5	30
	(c) Opinions	0	0	1	1
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## b. Criminal

Crinin			Jan	Feb	Mar	<u>Total</u>
(1)	Cases	s Filed	0	0	0	0
(2)	Cases	s Completed	0	0	0	0
(3)	Heari	ng(s) Held	0	0	0	0
(4)	Total	Decisions this Quarter:				
	(a)	Memorandum Decisions	0	0	0	0
	(b)	Orders	0	0	0	0
	(c)	Opinions	0	0	0	0

c.	Nava	jo Nation Bar Association	Ion	Feb	Mar	Total
	(1)	Cases Filed	Jan			
	(1)	Cases Filed	0	0	0	0
	(2)	Cases Completed	0	0	0	0
	(3)	Hearing(s) Held	0	0	0	0
	(4)	Total Decisions this Quarter:				
		(a) Memorandum Decisions	0	0	0	0
		(b) Orders	0	0	0	0
		(c) Opinions	0	0	0	0

d. Special Proceedings

			<u>Jan</u>	Feb	Mar	Total
(1)	Cases	Filed	0	0	0	0
(2)	Cases	Completed	0	0	0	0
(3)	Heari	ng(s) Held	0	0	0	0
(4)	Total	Decisions this Quarter:				
	(a)	Memorandum Decisions	0	0	0	0
	(b)	Orders	0	0	0	0
	(c)	Opinions	0	0	0	0

## e. Summary of <u>all</u> cases on appeal

(1)	Brought Forward	:	40
(2)	Filed	:	18
(3)	Reconsiderations	:	1
(4)	Closed	:	9
(5)	Pending	:	50

Pending Active Cases	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Totals
Civil	3	5	13	16	12	49
Criminal	0	0	0	0	0	0
NNBA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Special Proceedings	0	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	3	5	13	17	12	50

- 2. Oral Arguments/Hearings Held: 4
- 3. Pro Bono and ProHac Vice Appointments

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Tuba City/Kayenta	1	3	10	14
Window Rock/Chinle	6	6	5	17
Crownpoint/Shiprock	0	1	3	4
Ramah/Alamo/To'hajiilee	2	6	3	11
Totals	9	16	21	46

## 4. Sales of the *Navajo Reporter*

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Volume 1 & 2	\$0	\$100.00	\$0	\$100.00
Volume 3	\$0	\$45.00	\$0	\$45.00
Volume 4	\$0	\$45.00	\$0	\$45.00
Volume 6	\$0	\$50.00	\$0	\$50.00
Volume 7	\$0	\$50.00	\$0	\$50.00
Volume 8	\$0	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Tax & Shipping	\$0	\$46.50	\$7.50	\$54.00
Totals	\$0	\$386.50	\$57.50	\$444.00

5. Accounting of Fees and Miscellaneous Funds

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Fines	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Photocopying	\$0	\$0	\$88.90	\$88.90
Certifications	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Filing Fees	\$420.00	\$240.00	\$300.00	\$960.00
Postage	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other: Passport/Fees	\$425.00	\$250.00	\$450.00	\$1,125.00
Totals	\$845.00	\$490.00	\$838.90	\$2,173.90

6. Passport applications accepted by the Navajo Nation Passport Acceptance Office

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Michael V. Smith	19	10	18	47
Total	19	10	18	47

### 7. Accomplishments by Supreme Court Justices

- On January 21, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie and Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley attended the Title 7 revisions work session at the Tuba City Judicial District. The two-day work session covered items on Navajo reading and interpretation, implementation suggestions, and a report by Karen Francis on the English portions of the amendments.
- On January 22-23, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie attended the BIA FY2016 Budget Formulation meeting at Twin Arrows Resort. The agenda covered Federal Budget Outlook, Indian Country and the Federal Budget, FY2016 Budget Formulation Guidance: Top 10 Budget Increases, Top 5 Budget Decreases, Needs Based Budget Priorities, Success Story, New Legislations, FY2014 Appropriation Status, Office of Justice Services, Historical Priorities of Tribal/Interior Budget, Tribal Budget Presentations by Navajo Nation Program, and an Overview of Tribal Timelines.
- On January 29, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie served as guest speaker during the Navajo Nation Chapter Governance Summit at the Twin Arrows Resort. Sessions covered decentralization of services, alternative forms of governance, Navajo Nation Ethics in Government, and the Local Governance Act.
- On February 3-4, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie and Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley attended the Álchíní Bi Beehaz'áannii Act (ABBARP) work session in Crownpoint. The ABBARP session was on definition of customary adoption, immediate relative, kinship, traditional services, and other areas ABBARP which are not in the ABBA itself.
- On February 10-11, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie traveled to Scottsdale, Arizona, to participate in the Attorney General's Advisory Committee on American Indian/Alaska Native Children Exposed to Violence hearing. In 2012, it was found that American Indian/Alaska Native children have exceptional unmet needs for services and support to prevent and respond to violence they experience. The Task Force called for the Attorney General to "Appoint a federal task force or commission to examine the needs of American Indian/Alaska Native children exposed to violence."
- On February 13-14, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie and Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley traveled to Star School in Flagstaff, Arizona, to attend ongoing work sessions on

Title 7 revisions. The work group reviewed the draft document and discussed educating the traditional program specialists in understanding the content and learning the process so they can convey and educate the contents to the community, public, schools, leaders, etc.

- On February 23-25, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie traveled to Phoenix to meet with Representative Albert Hale, who introduced a bill that would allocate \$7.5 million to help build a Supreme Court Complex on the Navajo Nation. Mr. Hale's bill, HB2559, would direct money from Arizona's general fund to the state's Department of Economic Security and then be distributed to the Navajo Nation specifically for the construction of the new court complex. The entire construction project is expected to cost about \$15 million.
- On February 27, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie met with Peacemaking Program staff in Shiprock, New Mexico, on the structure of the Peacemaking Program, types of services offered, referrals from the court, the role of traditional program specialists, sharing of office technician positions with Probation and Parole Services, issues where local peacemakers are not participating, and needs of the program.
- On March 13-14, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie and Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley attended the Title 7 revision work session hosted by the Dilkon Peacemaking Program. The two-day work session covered areas of Title 7 in the Navajo language, a historical outline of Diné justice system, ancient to present leadership, etc.
- On March 17, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie attended the Law and Order Committee meeting in Church Rock, New Mexico. The committee held discussions on construction, O&M, and funding issues related to the Public Safety/Judicial Complexes. The Chief Justice acted as an agent for sponsor Alton Shepherd for Legislation No. 0072-14 seeking the Navajo Nation's support for HB2559.
- On March 20, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie met with Aneth Judge Irene S. Black, staff attorney Glen Renner, court administrator Susan Martin, and traditional program specialist Stanley Nez on case management and other issues related to the court.
- On March 21, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie met with Judge Victoria Yazzie on court issues and case management in Farmington, New Mexico. He also met with Navajo Nation Supreme Court associate attorney Josephine Foo on pending cases and other branch-related issues.
- On March 24, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie attended a Budget and Finance Committee meeting at Twin Arrows Resort in Flagstaff, Arizona. On the Budget and Finance Committee agenda was an overview of the gaming revenue distribution plan policy.
- On March 24, 2014, Chief Justice Yazzie attended the Law and Order Committee meeting at Twin Arrows Casino Resort in Flagstaff, Arizona. The Committee had questions on the NNCIO for Dilkon Court Building. Chief Justice Yazzie attended numerous meetings and discussions regarding the capital outlay monies for the Dilkon Court Building project. He says the Judicial Branch fully intends to use \$329,531.28 for completion of the construction document phase for the outstanding work for the court master plan. The remaining balance of \$463,042.12 will be used for the construction phase of the master plan as originally obligated towards the master plan development for the 10 acre tract that was approved and supported by both CIO and the Office of the President with Dilkon Chapter supporting resolution DIL 05-001-02.
- At various times throughout the quarter, Chief Justice Yazzie met with executive staff on issues related to projects, personnel, budgets, and grants pertaining to the Judicial Branch.

- Judge Cynthia Thompson was confirmed as a probationary judge for two years by the Navajo Nation Council on July 23, 2009. Judge Thompson completed her two-year probation on July 23, 2012. The first evaluation public hearing for confirmation was held on March 11, 2014, at Chinle Chapter House. The Law and Order Committee did not make a decision. The public hearing scheduled for March 12, 2014, at Dził Yijiin Judicial District was cancelled.
- Throughout the quarter, Chief Justice Yazzie, Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley, Supreme Court law clerk LaVerne H. Garnenez, and associate attorney Josephine Foo met on pending cases, cases that were heard, upcoming hearings, pending motions, opinions, and writs filed with the Supreme Court.
- 8. Significant accomplishments by government relations officer Karen Francis
  - Monitored HB2559 in the Arizona House of Representatives. Assisted with providing information for state legislators and officials regarding the branch and the project. Worked with Navajo Nation judicial, legislative, and executive staff, as well as Navajo County Supervisors Jesse Thompson and Jonathan Nez, to request for it to be placed on the Appropriations Committee agenda. Met with Senator Carlyle Begay and Chief Justice Yazzie to explain the appropriation and get the senator's support. Also worked with oversight committee vice chairman to draft legislation for the Council to support the bill. The support resolution, Legislation No. 0072-14, passed the Law and Order Committee on March 17, 2014. However, an appropriation has not been added to the state budget.
  - Attended January 7, 2014, and February 4, 2014, Employee Housing Committee meetings as Judicial Branch representative. On January 9, 2014, with the Employee Housing Program, met with Housing and Urban Development officials in Phoenix, Arizona, to discuss possible funding options for rental units in Window Rock, Arizona. On January 31 to February 1, 2014, attended work session with the EHC to finalize rules and regulations for approval and to discuss future goals and plans for the Employee Housing Program with the oversight committee members.
  - On January 7, 2014, attended Commission on Navajo Government Development meeting to speak with Martin Avery to determine if he still wants to serve on the commission as the Judicial Branch appointee. Mr. Avery said he would like to be reappointed and the Chief Justice will be recommending him as the branch's appointee for confirmation to the Council. Also attended the January 20, 2014 Commission on Navajo Government Development special meeting and the March 3, 2014 Government Reform Subcommittee meeting.
  - Provided group working on the proposed preamble language in Navajo for Title 7 with an update on the English portion of the Title 7 review and on the progress of the design of the new Judicial Branch seal. The group continued work on drafting language for the preamble throughout the two-day work session on January 21-22, 2014. Also attended the Title 7 revisions work session on February 13-14, 2014 and on March 14, 2014. Met with staff and consultants to come up with a plan to educate on the proposed language. A training packet will be developed.
  - Executive staff works session on February 3, 2014. The staff gave and received updates on several ongoing projects that the Judicial Branch is working on, including amendments to the employee policies and procedures, Title 7 revisions, strategic plan update, and P.L. 93-638 funding.

- Attended court administrator meetings on February 18, 2014, and on March 5, 2014, to give updates on several projects including Title 7 revisions in English and Navajo, the development of the new branch seal, and regionalization.
- On March 11, 2014, attended evaluation public hearing on Judge Cynthia Thompson at Chinle Chapter house.
- On March 21, 2014, attended Arizona Public Information Officer Symposium and heard presentations and panel discussions on topic, "When Perceptions Become Reality." Learned about necessity to tell story and use forums that your public is using, rather than expecting them to find you.
- On March 26-27, 2014, attended training conducted by the branch's Finance Office. Listened to presentations on the budget using excel spreadsheets, travel and training policies, p-card policies, motor vehicle policies and procurement policies. On March 27-28, 2014, participated in branch work session to review the status of branch projects. Some projects were deemed to be completed. Those that are still pending were re-assigned and meeting dates and project leaders were selected. I was put in charge of Title 7 English amendments with Dził Yijiin Court Administrator Arlene Lee. A work session on Title 7 English revisions is being planned. Also working on the peacemaking promotion campaign with peacemaking staff.
- Working with the Navajo Nation Museum on behalf of the branch to prepare for its upcoming exhibit on Navajo government. The museum staff has requested our organizational chart and vision statement.
- Working with Records Management and the Office of Legislative Services, obtained copies of resolutions that affected Title 7 of the Navajo Nation Code. Also obtained transcripts of Council discussion on some of the resolutions. Developed a webpage to give Judicial Branch staff online access to these documents.
- Attended meetings of the Law and Order Committee, Budget and Finance Committee, Nabikiyati Committee and the Navajo Nation Council on behalf of the branch to keep updated on legislative activities that affect the Judicial Branch and the Navajo Nation.
- Sent out press releases and public service announcements to the public and the media as necessary on behalf of the Judicial Branch. Answered questions and fulfilled requests from the media and the public as necessary. Updated the <u>www.navajocourts.org</u> website as necessary. Online radio show program on March 5, 2014. Provided general overview of the Judicial Branch and information regarding the Supreme Court complex project.
- 9. Accomplishments by associate attorney Josephine Foo
  - From January 20 February 19, 2014, worked with Native American Disability Law Center and Navajo Nation Disability Advisory Council on drafts of the Guardianship Act;
  - On January 22, 2014, attended Law & Order Committee meeting in Alamo, NM, regarding certain conflict of law issues raised by the judicial districts;
  - On February 3-4, 2014, moderated ABBARP work session at the Crownpoint District Court;
  - On February 19, 2014, attended ABBA revision taskforce meeting in Shiprock;
  - On February 27, 2014, attended meeting at the Shiprock Veterans Center concerning Peacemaking Program organization;
  - On March 4, 2014, participated in a DOI conference call regarding contract support costs;

- Participated in discussions and revisions on P.L.93-638 contract support costs and claims with contract lawyers and NNDOJ;
- Updated revisions to the draft ABBA Rules online;
- Worked with Navajo Technical University in Crownpoint regarding the transcription courses to be funded through Judicial Branch;
- Worked with the government relations officer in preparing information on the Navajo Nation Supreme Court Complex for funders;
- Continued work on a simplified peacemaking petition process;
- Worked with consultant Larry Emerson on peacemaking program sustainability;
- Worked with BIA-Office of Tribal Justice regarding funding issues;
- Provided legal advice to Judicial Branch Human Resources office on various matters;
- Worked with the Chief Probation Officer in obtaining funding and placing PPS Plan of Operations on judicial website;
- Worked with the publisher on content for Volume 9 of the Navajo Reporter;
- Issued legal memoranda and performed related functions in assisting the Office of the Chief Justice;
- Performed legal research;
- Performed legal advisory duties generally;
- Maintained Judicial website;
- Assisted the liaison officer in drafting press releases.

## B. Tuba City Judicial District

1. Accomplishment of objectives set the previous quarter

<u>Criminal Justice Summit (CJS)</u>. On February 7, 2014, the Tuba City Judicial District sponsored the CJS with court administrator Alice Huskie facilitating the meeting. In attendance were law enforcement, corrections, courts, peacemaking, probation/parole services, social services, and local schools. Other local service providers that have an interest in delivery of services by the justice system also attended the meeting. With collaborative efforts, the group hopes to continue work on identifying ways to share and streamline existing processes to better serve the community. From this meeting, the group decided to have a meeting on truancy to address tardiness, absences, and lack of parental involvement.

<u>Pro Se Training</u>. Staff attorney Tina Tsinigine provided six pro se training for 126 individuals during this quarter. Topics were on dissolution of marriage, paternity, child visitation, child custody, child support, correction of records, declaration of name, how answer a petition, guardianship of a minor/adult, probate, quite title and name change. Individuals who want to represent themselves and file pro se packets with the court are required to attend pro se training so he/she is aware of what the law requires and his/her duties and responsibilities in court.

<u>Child Support Enforcement (CES)</u>. The courts and CSE are collaborating efforts in hopes of locating and serving absent parents. CES utilizes one of the courtrooms to conduct monthly administrative hearings for their clients. They requested to hold administrative hearings at the court because it provides a more structured and secured environment for their clients. Three administrative hearings were held during this reporting period and all went well.

<u>Administrative Orders</u>: The following administrative orders were issued for assignments of judges from other judicial districts to preside over cases where the local presiding judge disqualified himself from a case. Judges are assigned to handle cases through final dispositions.

- On January 16, 2014, pursuant to Administrative Order 03-2014, Tuba City Judge Allen Sloan presided over case KY-CR-270/271-2013 (Navajo Nation v. Patrina Holmes).
- On January 16, 2014, pursuant to Administrative Order 05-2014, Chinle Judge Rudy Bedonie presided over cases TC-CR-431/432-2013 and TC-CR-056-2014 (Navajo Nation v. Thomas K. Yazzie).
- On January 27, 2014, pursuant to Administrative Order 07-2014, Tuba City Judge Allen Sloan presided over case KY-FC-401-2013(AN), (Navajo Nation v. Tillie Parrish/Corey Kay, Sr.)
- On February 24 2014, pursuant to Administrative Order 12-2014, Chinle Judge Cynthia Thompson presided over case TC-FC-119-2014 (AN) (Navajo Nation v. Ida Lefthand).
- On March 7, 2014, pursuant to Administrative Order 15-2014, Aneth Judge Irene Black presided over cases TC-CR-092-2014 and TC-CR-170-2014 (Navajo Nation v. Thompson K. Yazzie).
- On March 7, 2014, pursuant to Administrative Order 16-2014, Window Rock Judge Geraldine Benally presided over case TC-FC-151-2014(DV) (Latisha Yellowhair v. Dorothy Littleben).
- On March 20, 2014, pursuant to Administrative Order 17-2014, To'hajilee Judge William Platero presided over cases TC-FC-127-2014(DV) (Harrison Manygoats v. Harry Manygoats); TC-FC-126-2014(DV) (Harrison Manygoats v. Lawrence Manygoats); TC-FC-187-2014(DV) (Lena Nez v. Lisa Posey); and TC-FC-363-2013(DV) (Wanda Yazzie v. Robert Yazzie).
- On March 25, 2014, pursuant to Administrative Order 19-2014, Tuba City Judge Allen Sloan presided over case CH-FC-356-2013 (In the Estate of: Louise Marie Tah).
- 2. Other significant accomplishments

<u>Justware Financial Training</u>. On January 8-9, 2014, court administrator Ethel Laughing and financial court clerk Caroline Barber from Shiprock Judicial District provided training on community service work vouchering and financial reconciliations of the trust and depository accounts for the Tuba City Judicial District court clerks, court administrator, and office technician.

<u>Liberty Court Recorder Training</u>. On February 14, 2014, Peter Chave from JCG Technologies provided training, via internet, for the court staff. The district received a new Liberty court recording system on February 12, 2014.

<u>Truancy Meeting</u>. On March 31, 2014, the Tuba City Judicial District sponsored a meeting with local schools regarding truancy issues and lack of parent participation. In attendance were school counselors, dean of students, family services, prosecutor, law enforcement, peacemaking, probation/parole service and the courts. The group identified each department's responsibilities and developed a protocol system (flow chart) for making referrals for habitual absenteeism and lack of involvement by parents/guardians.

Oaths of Office. Judge Allen Sloan administered oaths of office as follows:

- January 17, 2014, criminal investigators Rex Butler, Albert Nez, and Greg Secatero with the Tuba City Criminal Investigation office;
- January 24, 2014, new school board members Eunice Begay with Kinłani Bordertown School and Eddie Toledo with the Tonalea Day School;
- March 11, 2014, new police recruit Michael Brodie with the Tuba City Department of Law Enforcement.
- 3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To review court operations and processes to become more efficient and to eliminate duplications of services for court.

To archive closed court case files.

To provide in-service training for the court staff.

To conduct the annual case certification.

## C. Kayenta Judicial District

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The Kayenta District court building mold remediation process was completed on January 29, 2014. Upon receiving scientific air quality testing clearance, the staff enthusiastically moved back into the building. The staff occupied a cramped 14'x 28' conference room for close to one year while the district attained remediation funding. The district is grateful to Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, the Law and Order Committee of the Navajo Nation Council, and the Navajo Nation Council for their support in procuring supplemental funding to restore the building to a safe environment.

Court bailiffs Brandyn Benallie and Kurt Claw successfully earned certification in the training "Surviving Verbal Conflict Training" on February 24-25, 2014, in Casa Grande, Arizona. The bailiffs learned the proven verbal abuse deflection and redirection techniques to de-escalate volatile situations to safeguard the public and significantly reduce liability in the courts.

Office technicians Regina Jones and Sheila Begishie completed training in "Intermediate and Advanced Microsoft 2010 Excel Foundations" on March 14, 27, and 28, 2014, in Farmington, New Mexico. Both staff rated the 24-hour training as an excellent opportunity to advance their computer software skills in their daily duties and responsibilities.

2. Other significant accomplishments

On February 3, 2014, the Office of the Chief Justice issued Administrative Order 08-2014 to temporarily assign Judge Rudy I. Bedonie to the Kayenta Judicial District until the vacant district judge position is filled. Judge Bedonie remains assigned as judge for the Chinle Judicial District, and in the interim handles cases at the Kayenta District three days out of the week.

Court administrator Lavonne K. Yazzie and office technician Regina Jones participated in a Judicial Branch Desk Audit Model and Justware Financial training on January 15-17, 2014, in Tuba City, Arizona.

Office technician Sheila Begishie participated in a Peacemaking Program work session on March 6, 2014, in Blanding, Utah, to commence gathering detailed data and statistics in preparation for the 2015 General Funds budget process.

Court administrator Lavonne K. Yazzie participated in a Judicial Branch financial and court administrator projects work session on March 26-28, 2014, in Tuba City, Arizona. The group was successful in addressing a uniformed and updated financial process and long-term planning goals.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To conduct a successful Justice Day.

To complete the district's annual caseload accounting reports.

To conduct three in-service trainings for the district staff.

To implement the district bi-annual cross training rotation of the court clerks.

## D. Aneth Judicial District

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The Aneth Judicial District staff met on March 10, 2014, to plan the 2014 Justice Day festivities. This year the focus will include an open house, resource provider booths, information to promote Aneth Community Court involvement, and provide education to the public on the peacemaking program. Aneth District will host its annual event on April 11, 2014, in Aneth, Utah.

The Aneth Judicial District completed its 2013 annual caseload accounting.

In an effort to keep the Aneth District staff informed of judicial events and planning the annual justice day activity, two staff meetings were held this quarter with updates by staff attorney Glen Renner on recent Supreme Court opinions.

To enhance quality services and encourage community involvement, the Aneth Judicial District facilitated two resource and service provider meetings. The outcomes of the meetings were very good. Resources from Blanding, Utah, San Juan Counseling Services attended, as well as DBHS representative of Montezuma Creek, Utah, and Red Mesa, Arizona. Local schools also sent representatives to the meeting. The community court aims to continue the high involvement of resource participation and host the meetings on a monthly basis.

2. Other significant accomplishments

From January 15 to January 17, 2014, office technician Elvira Benally and court administrator Susie Martin obtained 20 hours of job enhancement training related to

Justware fiscal management. The training was held at the Tuba City Judicial District. It focused on fines and fees financial reports, account coding, and demonstration of how Justware applies financials once data is input into the new Justware case management program.

On February 5, 2015, the Aneth Community Court received a request from Mr. Benjamin McMurray, a federal public defender from Salt Lake City, Utah, for information on the Aneth Community Court. Mr. McMurray found the Community Court on the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch website and he wanted to know more once he came to the Aneth court. He was in the Aneth region on a related assignment defending a local individual in federal court. Mr. McMurray stated he is familiar with the New York Red Hook Justice Center and expressed his surprise that a small Indian community in rural Utah is practicing restorative justice fashioned after the Red Hook concept. He further shared his hopefulness that the federal system would grasp the idea of using the integrated justice concept.

The Aneth Judicial District staff hosted three community court steering committee meetings on January 29, February 24, and March 19, 2014. With the hiring of Clorissa Thomas as the new resource coordinator, she has completely taken on the project and made tremendous improvement in the short time she has been with the program. The Aneth Community Court has a newsletter completed which is waiting final approval by the grantor. Other accomplishments include:

- Combined efforts with the Aneth Chapter staff to do community trash pick-up on February 4 and February 13, 2014. The Adopt-the-Highway program requires potential participants to pick up trash three times in a year to qualify to "Adopt-the-Highway" and have a sign posted with their program name on the sign.
- The Aneth Community Court has an application pending to adopt a two-mile section of Highway 162 which runs through Aneth, Utah. Once the official adoption signs are posted, the pictures will be in the Aneth Community Court newsletter.
- Coordinated two resource/service providers meetings with local resources.
- Resource coordinator Clorissa Thomas is an active participant in the Community Health Improvement Program (CHIP) sponsored by Echohawk Lefthand of Four Corners Regional Health Center of Red Mesa, Arizona. Mrs. Thomas attended a CHIP meeting at the Mexican Water Chapter house on February 21, 2013. The focus of the CHIP Coalition is reclaiming Diné values to promote community spirit through mobilization, education, support, and empowerment to cultivate healthier communities which is similar to the goals of the Aneth Community Court.

On February 20, 2014, the Aneth Community Court steering committee held a telephonic meeting with Aaron Arnold and Brett Taylor, representatives of Red Hook Community Justice Center of New York: Community Court Innovation (CCI) and evaluators for the Aneth Community Court grant. The participants provided updates on the progress of the Aneth Community Court project. Brett and Aaron shared information of the progress peacemaking is making in the Red Hook Community Justice Center. The Red Hook Community Court now plans to implement peacemaking in their community court formed in Syracuse, New York. The peacemaking program has been a great success in Red Hook that the Red Hook group intends to ask Navajo Nation Peacemaking to help establish the peacemaking program in Syracuse, New York, as well.

Staff attorney Glen Renner and resource coordinator Clorissa Thomas participated in two webinar broadcasts in February: "Affordable Care Act, Medicaid Expansion and Your Justice Agency" and "Innovations in Substance Abuse Treatment and Abstinence Reinforcement." The Aneth participants attended the sessions which were held on February 19, 2014 and February 25, 2014. The broadcasting for the Affordable Care Act was 90 minutes. The Innovations in Substance Abuse Treatment and Abstinence Reinforcement broadcasted for 60 minutes. Both webinars will assist the Aneth Community Court in registering participants with proper health care assignment and appropriate treatment placement.

Staff attorney Glen Renner participated in continued discussions stemming from a Supreme Court case concerning the Navajo Nation Mental Health Commitment Act. The two-day discussions were held at the Tuba City Judicial District on March 4, 2014, with continuation on March 14, 2014.

To provide quality assistance to the general public, resource coordinator Clorissa Thomas, probation officer Bettina Norton, and traditional specialist Stanley Nez participated in the 2014 Indian Child Welfare Conference. From March 17 to March 18, 2014, participants met on the Ute Indian Nation in Ft. Duchesne, Utah. The conference focused on coordinating tribal, state, and federal services to provide the best care for children in the state of Utah.

Office technician Elvira Benally received 24 hours of Excel computer program training from the San Juan College of Farmington, New Mexico. The three days of training occurred March 14, 2014, March 27 & 28, 2014. Participants received hands-on demonstration on how to use the Excel program.

Two pro-se workshops were held this quarter at the Aneth District Court presented by staff attorney Glen Renner on January 31, 3014, wherein, 10 participants attended the workshop. The second workshop was held on March 28, 2013, wherein 10 participants attended. The workshop is designed to educate the participants on the process and filing of petitions as well as explaining the various pro-se petitions available through the Navajo Nation Aneth Judicial District.

This quarter, the Supreme Court rescinded Administrative Order 50-2013; thereby discontinuing Judge Irene S. Black's assignment to conduct hearings at Aneth and Kayenta Judicial Districts. Administrative Order 09-2014 reassigned Judge Irene S. Black with full responsibilities to Aneth Judicial District commencing February 3, 2014.

3. Objectives to be accomplished by Next Quarter

To begin planning for the FY2015 budget process.

To complete the "Adopt the Highway" assignment of adopting a two-mile section of Highway 162 through Aneth, Utah.

To complete one in-service training for the Aneth District staff.

To collaborate efforts with local departments and resources to improve judicial services and promote positive working relationships within the community, using the new community court project.

## E. Chinle Judicial District

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

<u>Spring Health & Wellness Conference</u>. Judge Cynthia Thompson was actively involved with the local Indian Health Services Health Promotion Program in the Chinle and Pinon communities. She was invited to speak with community members of identified communities which include Black Mesa Community School, Pinon Community School and Hardrock Chapter. Her topic of discussion was "Responsible Parenting & Truancy." She focused on the truancy laws of the Álchíní Bi Beehaz'áannii Act. The community members have been receptive to the information. Other service providers requested for more presentations from the courts. They expressed that, when the judge speaks to their children, the children tend to listen and obey what is being said to them. They enjoy the information received.

<u>Health Commitment Act</u>. Judge Cynthia Thompson, staff attorney, and court administrator have been involved with discussions regarding the health commitment cases with Indian Health Services behavioral health and other identified local resources. Discussions surround the streamlining of health commitment cases and to get the necessary services to the people in need of such services.

Save Our Student. Judge Thompson continued her participation with the Save Our Student group. The group discussed how students and parents can become more involved with their student's education, how school administrators can better control the level of truancy of students, and how the courts can assist the Chinle Prosecutor's Office become more active in the process.

2. Other significant accomplishments

Local Resource Meeting. The court administrator, staff attorney, and Judge Cynthia Thompson facilitated a resource meeting with Chinle Department of Law Enforcement, Chinle Department of Corrections, Chinle Office of the Prosecutor, Chinle Department of Behavioral Health Services, and Chinle Probation and Parole Services. The local resources discussed current internal issues with each department and how such issues can be resolved. The group decided that quarterly meetings should be scheduled to continue other discussions of concern.

<u>Administrative Assignment</u>. Judge Rudy Bedonie was administratively assigned to Kayenta Judicial District by Chief Justice Herb Yazzie. Judge Bedonie travels to Kayenta on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. Thus far, the schedule has been working well in the Chinle Judicial District.

<u>Rescinding Administrative Assignment</u>. The Chinle court administrator has been relieved of her duties and responsibilities with the Dził Yijiin Judicial District. She has resumed her full assignment with Chinle Judicial District.

<u>Civil Jury Trial</u>. The Chinle Judicial District had its first civil jury trial in years. It was quite an experience for the court staff. They fully participated in the process of jury selection. They observed the questioning of witnesses, listening to depositions, and handling of exhibits. They recognized the importance of their roles as court clerks and bailiffs.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

The Chinle Judicial District judges, staff attorney, and court administrator will participate in meetings with service providers and the Office of the Chief Justice.

The Chinle Judicial District will work towards meeting its performance criteria goals.

The court administrator will provide technical assistance to the court clerks, bailiffs, probation officers, office technicians, and custodian.

The Chinle Judicial District will support the goals and objectives of the chief probation officer.

The Chinle Judicial District will work with the goals and objectives of the Peacemaking Program.

## F. Dził Yijiin Judicial District

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The Dził Yijiin Judicial District hired its court administrator on January 27, 2014.

The Dził Yijiin District obtained reliable telephone and facsimile lines for more efficient and effective communication.

The Dził Yijiin Judicial District conducted its daily operations and functions of the court at the Whippoorwill Chapter Administration Building, with the intent to move into the former Arizona DES Building, upon completion of renovation.

Court administrator Arlene Lee and court clerk Shirley Leonard facilitated the resource coordination and collaboration meeting with representative from various service providers to discuss ways to collaborate to provide sufficient services for the community within the Dził Yijiin region.

2. Other significant accomplishments

Judge Victoria Yazzie served as designated associate justice in Supreme Court cases SC-CV-60-10 and SC-CV-65-10.

Court clerk Marita Lee successfully completed her 90-day introductory period as a judicial employee with Dził Yijiin Judicial District.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

Dził Yijiin Judicial District will celebrate its 2014 Justice Day on April 3, 2014, at Whippoorwill Chapter.

Dził Yijiin Judicial District will strive to work diligently to achieve its program performance criteria goals.

Until completion of the Pinon Judicial Complex, Dził Yijiin Judicial District will continue working with Whippoorwill Chapter to complete renovation of the former Arizona DES building to house the Dził Yijiin Judicial District court personnel.

Judge Victoria Yazzie and the court administrator will participate in meetings with service providers and Dził Yijiin Regional Council to collaborate and provide effective services.

# G. Dilkon Judicial District

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The Dilkon Judicial District conducted two staff in-service trainings this quarter. On January 27, 2014, Melanie Price, programmer support specialist with Judicial Branch Information Technology, provided training on Justware financials. On February 26, 2014, the court administrator presented on workstation organization and staff rotation assignments.

Throughout the quarter, Dilkon Judicial District staff attended training and/or work sessions regarding the Justware case management system with New Dawn Technologies. The court administrators and district SMEs discussed, configured, and planned with other judicial districts regarding upgrades and configuration of the Justware technology for the Judicial Branch. Work sessions were held January 8-9, 2014, January 15-17, 2014, and March 26-28, 2014.

Effective February 10, 2014, Judge Geraldine Benally was temporarily assigned to the Dilkon Judicial District until further notice. Judge Benally is in Dilkon two days out of the week. The Dilkon Court appreciates her assistance very much.

2. Other significant accomplishments

The court administrator attended monthly community networking meetings with local service providers to collaborate and to improve services to the community. The meetings are hosted by Navajo County District II supervisor Jesse Thompson.

The implementation of the new case management system, Justware, is a continuing project. The Dilkon subject matter experts (SMEs), court administrator Darlene LaFrance and court clerk Tanya Chiquto, and office technician Patricia Peterson attended meetings, trainings, and/or work sessions to learn about the enhancements of the financial, accounting, and statistics configurations.

The court administrator participated in the Law and Order Committee meeting on March 24, 2014, to report on concerns and the status of the contract modification for the Dilkon Public Safety/Judicial Complex.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To facilitate the Dilkon Judicial District resource meetings to network and collaborate with local resources and to improve services to the public.

To conduct two in-service trainings for the district staff.

To work with the new Justware case management system as a continuing project with new goals and assignments.

To plan and prepare for the annual justice day.

To plan and prepare for the assignment of a new judge.

# H. Window Rock Judicial District

#### 1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The court clerk rotation for calendar year 2014 occurred on February 3, 2014. The court clerks were reassigned to different sections. In addition to their regular position descriptions, clerks are assigned various office technician responsibilities and thus increasing their current workload.

On February 3, 2014, Judge Carol Perry was assigned via administrative order to handle two cases in the Aneth Judicial District. Court clerks from Aneth and Window Rock worked on scheduling and processing of documents.

On February 10, 2014, Judge Geraldine Benally was assigned via administrative order as judge for Dilkon Judicial District on a temporary basis. The staff of Window Rock and Dilkon coordinated so Judge Benally can preside on cases in Dilkon on Thursdays and Fridays. The judge does arraignments and other cases via video conferencing in between regular scheduled cases in Window Rock. Cases had to be rescheduled in both Dilkon and Window Rock to accommodate this temporary assignment. In addition to her regular assignment in Window Rock and temporary assignment in Dilkon, Judge Benally also heard cases in Ramah and Kayenta. Since her temporary assignment began, Judge Benally completed a total of 594 hearings in Window Rock, Dilkon, Kayenta, and Ramah.

Judge Carol Perry administered oaths of office to 45 police officers to renew their oaths.

Judge Geraldine Benally was assigned via administrative order on March 7, 2014, to handle a Tuba City case through its final disposition, pre-trial hearings, post decree motions, and remands, if any. Arrangements have been made to accommodate this order with the Tuba City and Window Rock court clerks.

At the beginning of February 2014, court clerk Louise Weaver began scanning closed case files. Document technician Teresa Chee orientated Ms. Weaver on the archiving process and equipment. A total of 352 family court cases from calendar year 2005 were scanned in February and March. This is the total number of cases and not the number of pages scanned.

On February 28, 2014, the Window Rock Judicial District closed its doors to the public to allow for a "catch-up" day. This allowed the court clerks do data entry into the Justware case management program and file cases.

2. Other significant accomplishments

LaShania Chee worked with the district as a volunteer employee under the TANF program. Her anticipated end date is May 23, 2014. She worked six hours a day from Monday to Thursday. Her duties included filing, answering telephones, and directing calls to appropriate staff.

Statistical information for direct services to the public: January - 813; February - 922; and March - 915; total - 2,650. The total number of document requests completed by Window Rock Judicial District: January - 46; February - 44; and March - 56; total - 146.

Aside from her regular duties, the staff attorney was assigned to:

- ONLR Case TCIC-13-042 which was dismissed on February 14, 2014;
- Supreme Court cases OCJ-CP-001-14; OCJ-CP-004-14; and OCJ-OP-005-14;
- appear as co-counsel for Crownpoint Judicial District on a writ;
- work with the Office of Public Defender on a children's case;
- represent Window Rock District on writ WR-FC-494-13/SC-CV-08-14;
- provide public assistance via phone calls and walk-ins to 38 individuals.

The staff attorney provided legal supervision of law students from Boston College of Law on March 3-7, 2014. A total of five students worked with the district in providing legal research and reviewing cases.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

The Window Rock Judicial District judges will conduct presentations as requested by other tribal departments and entities.

The Window Rock Judicial District will work towards meeting its performance criteria goals.

The probation officers will work with the court in conducting field visits as ordered by the judges and complete field studies and reports on behalf of clients.

The probation officers will work with the court in seeking services from other service providers within Fort Defiance Agency for their clients.

The traditional program specialist will work with the court in conducting presentations.

## I. Shiprock Judicial District

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

Shiprock Judicial District personnel set aside time to plan the 2014 Justice Day scheduled on April 4, 2014.

On January 14, 2014, the court administrator and court clerk Caroline Barber provided training on Justware Financials for staff of Tuba City and Dilkon Judicial Districts. Training covered overview of the district's deposit and weekly financial reports of the

Justware system reports; collection transaction process; bond management (set, post and available to voucher), and reconcile.

On January 15-17, 2014, the court administrator and court clerk Caroline Barber provided group training on Justware financials and the Desk Audit Model for the court administrators, court clerks, office technicians, accounting manager Yvonne Gorman, and financial technician Sandra Dalgai. An overview was provided on the desk audit model reporting system, financial trainings on peacemaking fees, cash bond management, voucher and reconcile procedures. Ms. Roberta Begay of Navajo Nation Cashiers Department gave an update on the fines & fees accounts, reports, and information on collection and bank deposit charges, etc. The group verified account codes for types of collections and identified new account codes.

Justware updates and training was held for the court clerks on February 3 and February 12. The training covered bond payments, direct payments, docketing traffic complaints, and updates on new account codes.

Implementation of the pro se clinic was a success. Presentations were provided free of charge to the public and were offered in both, English and Navajo, languages. Staff attorney Derrick Burbank, with assistance by court clerk and certified Navajo court interpreter Shirley Ned, conducted three pro se presentations during this quarter. On January 30-31, 2014, a total of 42 community members received information on legal processes pertaining to probate. On April 1, 2014, a total of five community members received information on legal processes pertaining to divorce.

2. Other significant accomplishments:

The Shiprock Judicial District's fines/fees collection was high this quarter with a grand total of \$42,854.53; forfeitures \$1,656.17; trust account (cash bonds) collection totaled \$7,983.20; trust disbursement \$6,001.37. Credit vouchers issued totaled \$14,250.23.

The Shiprock Judicial District's overall caseload this quarter is as follows: 3,234 brought forward, 1,296 filed; total quarter caseload 4,530; 1,238 cases closed, leaving 3,292 pending (including 1,748 bench warrants).

On February 3-4, 2014, Judge Genevieve Woody and staff attorney Derrick Burbank attended a work session on Álchíní Bi Beehaz'áannii Act Rules of Procedure.

On March 25-27, 2014, court administrator Ethel S. Laughing, court clerk Caroline Barber, and office technician Emma Hannah, attended financial training at the Tuba City Judicial District. Participants received refresher training on the Navajo motor vehicle, procurement, purchasing, travel policies, P-card policy/procedures. The group also discussed proposed Justware deposit reports, FMIS ledgers/web inquiry, General Fund budget forms, and using Excel for the FY2015 budget.

On March 27-28, 2014, the court administrator obtained updates on Judicial Branch projects. The group prioritized projects, made assignments among court administrators, reviewed and discussed the proposed Judicial Branch seal, Diné justice system, and the purpose of revising Title 7.

			F	Y 2014	Secon	d Quar	ter Rej	port (Ja	unuary (	01 201	4 - Ma	rch 31	, 2014)				
MONTH	District Court Hearing	Questions	Pay Fine	Paperwork	Family Court Hearing	Questions	Pay Fine	Paperwork	Peacemaking Session	Questions	Pay Stipend Fee	Paperwork	Probation Services	Questions	Others	TOTAL CLIENTS	METAL DETECTOR READINGS
Jan 2014	194	275	100	97	152	84	10	82	159	40	6	1	152	7	385	1,694	0
Feb 2014	118	175	132	61	195	86	7	59	167	58	4	0	131	4	384	1,581	2,430
Mar 2014	150	102	119	71	215	55	7	48	216	53	5	2	128	3	323	1,497	4,008
TOTAL:	462	552	351	229	562	225	24	189	542	151	15	3	411	14	1,092	4,772	6,438

The Shiprock daily visitors register for this quarter was 4,772. The breakdown for purpose of visit is summarized below.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To sponsor the annual justice day on April 4, 2014.

To participate in the budget process and development of the district's FY2015 budget.

To plan and coordinate in-service training for court personnel.

To complete the annual case inventory.

To participate in planning of the new criminal justice complex building.

To assess and address the district's court security issues.

To assist with the set up of the new probation modular building.

To participate in strategic planning work sessions.

To participate in the Judicial Branch Employees Policies and Procedures revisions work sessions.

# J. Crownpoint Judicial District

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

Traffic cases for year 2002, entailing 604 cases were added to the already scanned cases into archiving.

A meeting was held to obtain the status of the modular building for Pueblo Pintado Circuit Court. The court administrator gave a presentation to the Navajo Nation MRVB to request for a tribal vehicle to travel to and from the site for building-related matters. Two in-service trainings, one on the Navajo Nation Privacy Act and the other on the newly install digital recording system, were held for district staff.

2. Other significant accomplishments

The court staff is using the Justware court case management program.

Judge Irene Toledo continued to preside over schedule cases in Crownpoint. She attended the New Mexico Consortium meeting in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on January 17, 2014. She administered 41 oaths of conduct and ethics to police officers and civilians who work with law enforcement. She also performed a wedding in Crownpoint on March 10, 2014.

The Crownpoint Judicial District conducted interviews for the vacant bailiff position. A recommendation was forwarded for final approval by the Judicial Branch Human Resources in Window Rock.

The new digital court recorder with amplified speakers was installed.

Court administrator Rena Thompson continued to participate in court administrator meetings and work sessions as well as other administrative meetings concerning the new justice building and court operations for the Crownpoint and Pueblo Pintado Courts. The court administrator met with the auditor regarding the new court building.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To scan closed court case files for archiving.

To work in implementing the Pueblo Pintado Circuit Court.

To provide in-service training for court staff as part of their professional development.

To prepare for the 2014 Annual Justice Day.

## K. Ramah Judicial District

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

Ramah Judicial District provided services and coordinated plans with Ramah Navajo Chapter and service providers within the community.

This quarter, the district scanned 3,500 closed court case files consisting of 2010 Criminal Traffic and Civil Traffic Infractions.

Two resource meetings were hosted by Judge Leonard Livingston, staff attorney Dan Moquin, and court administrator Esther Jose. Resource meetings are held in the Ramah community to disseminate information by the courts and other departments and programs. On February 26, 2014, the staff attorney discussed Title IV-E and met with David Adams, Novaline Wilson, and Cindy Josley from the U.S. Attorney's Office on Federal Domestic Violence Laws. At the meeting on March 26, 2014, the judge and staff attorney examined criminal justice problems and discussed implementation of the Title IV-E Program in Ramah.

The newly hired court clerk successfully completed her 90-day introductory period. Staff assisted by providing hands on training in the various areas of case management. She is now handling family court cases.

2. Other significant accomplishments

The court log showed that 422 people signed in for services, 753 incoming/outgoing telephone calls, and 259 incoming/outgoing fax services. The court bailiff reported 357 people served and 0 pocket knives and/or other deadly weapons.

The court clerks maintained a bench warrant list and updated it daily with Ramah Navajo Department of Law Enforcement.

Throughout the quarter, staff attorney Dan Moquin was active with the revisions of ABBA. He attended meetings and helped by drafting changes. He also met with Pine Hill School and Ramah Social Services to help facilitate the use of Title IV-E funds for Navajo Nation Probation and Parole Services.

On March 25-28, 2014, court administrator Esther Jose and office technician Maris Roe attended a work session in Tuba City Court. The topics of discussions included revised travel/training forms, General Fund budget forms in Excel format, and Project HOPE. The group scheduled dates and assigned court administrators to various projects on Project HOPE.

Throughout the quarter, staff attorney Dan Moquin assisted the Crownpoint Judicial District with cases he was assigned prior to the hiring of Crownpoint's new staff attorney.

Pursuant to administrative assignments, Judge Leonard Livingston provided assistance to other districts and the Navajo Nation Supreme Court. Further, To'hajiilee/Alamo Judge William Platero and Window Rock Judge Geraldine Benally provided assistance and handled cases in the Ramah Judicial District.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To host the 55<sup>th</sup> Justice Day for Ramah Judicial District.

To host a staff development day.

To hold a pro se training.

To have the district SMEs attend the Justware Administrator Refresher Training.

To provide in-house training for the staff.

# L. Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The Peacemaking Program planned a joint meeting with Navajo Nation Probation and Parole Services to provide traditional teachings at the hogan in Alamo.

Discussions continued on January 6, 2014, regarding the memorandum of agreement with the Canoncito Band of Navajos Health Board, Inc., and the To'hajiilee Behavioral Health Program. Staff attorney Alisha Thompson and administrator Jim Platero with the health board finalized the language of the MOA. It was approved on January 21, 2014. This MOA establishes a collaborative relationship between the participating parties to address the devastating effects of drugs and alcohol abuse by adult members of the To'hajiilee community. Through this collaboration, the organizations will make needed improvements to the health and well-being impaired by mental and substance abuse problems. The collaborative effort hopes to reduce alcohol-related criminal activities through rehabilitation and recovery of individuals affected by substance abuse.

The district is waiting for a response to a request made to Fox Valley Technical College for Tribal Oriented Policing Strategies (TOPS) training for the Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District. Dates have already been set aside in June 2014.

2. Other significant accomplishments

<u>Teen Court Logo Contest</u>. The Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District sponsored a Teen Court logo contest to youth artists for the purpose of designing a logo that can be used for future promotion of the Teen Courts in Alamo and To'hajiilee. The winner will be announced during the 2014 Justice Day activities in Alamo on April 19, 2014, and To'hajiilee on May 2, 2014.

<u>Alamo Pro Se Clinic</u>. Staff attorney Alisha Thompson conducted a pro se clinic on guardianships at Alamo Court for 12 participants. Information and forms were given to all attendees. One-on-one time was also conducted to answer specific questions participants had concerning his/her case.

<u>Teen Court Youth Juror Training</u>. On March 24, 2014, the To'hajiilee staff attorney, teen court coordinator, and court administrator provided training and information to eight Native and one Hispanic youth at West Mesa High School in Albuquerque, New Mexico. These youth will serve as jury for the upcoming teen court session in To'hajiilee or Alamo. The staff attorney provided information on how laws are made and enforced, the role of the judge and jury, and the Álchíní Bi Beehaz'áannii Act. The information provided was to prepare and educate youth about Navajo laws and how Navajo youth end up in Navajo tribal family courts as CHINS (Child in Need of Supervision) cases.

<u>To'hajiilee Career Fair</u>. The judge, staff attorney, traditional program specialist, care coordinator for the Healing to Wellness Court, and teen court coordinator provided information during the Career Fair Day at the To'hajiilee Community School. The Healing to Wellness Court and Teen Court Projects recruited youth to participate in the teen court jury and community steering committee. The staff attorney shared information about being a lawyer, and Judge Platero shared his experiences about being a judge.

<u>Radio Talk Show</u>. On March 12, 2014, the care coordinator, teen court coordinator, and traditional program specialist promoted the USDOJ Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Projects. It was an hour live radio broadcast to the Alamo community to inform them about projects and to recruit community members to participate in the community steering committee. The broadcast was conducted in both the Navajo and English languages. The USDOJ-funded grant projects are utilizing early intervention and culturally appropriate strategies to improve the health and justice systems in To'hajiilee and Alamo, New Mexico. Data supports such efforts due to the high volume of alcohol-related criminal activities, deaths, and health disparities.

<u>USDOJ Grant Approval by Tribal Resolution</u>. The court administrator attended the Law and Order, Health, Education and Humans Services, and Budget and Finance Committee meetings in February 2014 to provide information about the FY13 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation grant award of \$673,000 to the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch. The grant was accepted by the Navajo Nation. This project supports the Healing to Wellness Court Project and expands activities to veterans. A justice outreach coordinator will be hired to connect state and tribal incarcerated Navajo veterans with Veterans Administration Services and Indian Health Services to address the need for behavioral health services. This funding supports the justice summit and other interagency coordination meetings for developing a Tribal Action Plan.

<u>Alamo Multi- Purpose Justice Center</u>. The court administrator met with the Ramah-Alamo-To'hajiilee council delegate, his staff, and Alamo tribal officials to review a proposal submitted by the district to the Administrative Office of the Courts to plan and construct a \$10 million Multi-Purpose Justice Center in Alamo, New Mexico. This would improve law enforcement services and accessibility. Presently, incarcerated defendants are transported more than 220 miles from Alamo or To'hajiilee to Crownpoint, NM. This information was presented to the Law and Order Committee on February 24, 2014. Three phases for development, design, and construction of the building and costs were presented in addition to the proposed budget at \$2.5 million. The building will include an adult jail facility, police substation, and offices for the prosecutor, probation, and public defender. It will be located next to the Alamo court house. The project is still in its development phase and scheduled to begin the design phase in the fall of 2014. The project is proposed to be completed in July 2017. The report was accepted by the Law and Order Committee.

National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA). Court administrator Regina Roanhorse attended a meeting with tribal leaders, administrators, and state of New Mexico agencies on January 29, 2014, to discuss current ICWA and general child welfare practices and policies that impact Native children. Meeting participants developed policy recommendations for incarcerated youth. The court administrator received this invitation from NICWA as a result of the work the district is doing on an intergovernmental agreement with the New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department. The data shared by NM CYFD representative Bernie Teba reported that the majority of Native youth in New Mexico with the longest incarceration stay in New Mexico juvenile detention facilities are Navajo.

<u>Coordination Team</u>. The Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District held interdisciplinary team meetings with its "P5" team, i.e., probation officer, prosecutor, teen court coordinator, Healing to Wellness Court care coordinator, and traditional program specialist. Once the veteran justice outreach coordinator is hired, he/she will be included in these meetings.

At the meeting on February 6, 2014, the court administrator gave an update on the legislative process in approving a new grant. The group discussed new forms for grant reporting, training, retreat, and strategic planning. They also discussed the steering community group and their roles and responsibilities with respect to strategic planning and evaluation components.

On March 3, 2014, the staff attorney, prosecutor, court administrator, and teen court coordinator reviewed existing teen court forms and developed a process utilizing the Álchíní Bi Beehaz'áannii Act for referring CHINS cases through the teen court. The group also discussed development of a youth jury. On March 24, 2014, the staff attorney, teen court coordinator, and court administrator provided the first training to West Mesa High School students, most of whom are Navajo. The staff attorney provided general information on how laws are made and enforced and how the court processes youth who are referred through the Navajo systems.

The teen court coordinator held separate meetings with the staff attorney/court administrator/prosecutor, probation, and peacemaking to discuss processes and sentencing for teen court participants. She also met with the To'hajiilee Behavioral Health prevention specialist to go over prevention programming and sentencing guidelines for developing program guidelines. They reviewed a portion of the Project Northland Evidence based substance abuse prevention CSAP modeled curriculum for inclusion in the sentencing guidelines.

<u>Anti-Bullying Presentations</u>. On February 10, 2014, the teen court coordinator attended a presentation on anti-bullying and participated in a learning-how-to-problem-solve and make-good-decisions activity for students. The event was sponsored by the To'hajiilee Behavioral Health Services. On February 11, 2014, the Peacemaking Program teamed up with Alamo Behavioral Health prevention specialist to provide anti-bullying information to fourth grade students. The teen court coordinator met with school officials to introduce the Teen Court Program.

<u>Community Steering Committee</u>. The Alamo-To'hajiilee Judicial District met with elders, adults, and youth from To'hajiilee on March 5 and March 19, 2014, to conduct a community assessment and resource mapping to update the district's strategic plan for the Teen Court Project. The district also used this opportunity to work on the To'hajiilee Healing to Wellness Court strategic plan. The efforts produced an action list for youth in To'hajiilee during spring break. This group met with local providers at the district resource meeting on March 28, 2014, to partner with these providers so they can organize and implement these activities with or without funding.

<u>Tribal State Judicial Consortium</u>. The consortium discussed the proposed strategic plan and identified three goals: 1. Create rapport for state and tribal judges. 2. Educate and train state/tribal judges and tribal leadership. 3. Continue to review state services for Native children and families on and off the reservation. The To'hajiilee staff attorney volunteered to help with item 3. This is appropriate in the district's efforts to develop an intergovernmental agreement with the NM Children, Youth and Families Department.

<u>Healing to Wellness Treatment Team</u>. The prosecutor, judge, probation officer, care coordinator, traditional program specialist, and local behavioral health providers met throughout the quarter to review the status of Healing to Wellness Court participants and make recommendations. This is a confidential treatment team meeting of actual criminal court cases, post plea of guilty.

<u>Site Visit to Ft. McDowell Healing to Wellness Court</u>. The judge, staff attorney, court administrator, traditional program specialist, probation officer, care coordinator, and bailiff traveled to Ft. McDowell Indian Reservation from February 19 -21, 2014. Staff heard an overview of the operations, toured the facility, met the presiding judge of the Healing to Wellness Court, and observed defendants going through actual drug court hearings. It was reported that the success rate for completing the program was excellent. Service providers are actively involved with their clients and encourage them during case staffing. Clients are rewarded with incentives during the duration of their treatment.

<u>Referral Process for Youth at To'hajiilee</u>. On January 23, 2014, the traditional program specialist, staff attorney, and the school discussed the current referral process for children who are truant. The group agreed that children with 10 absences would be referred to the prosecutor for preliminary inquiry and possible filing of CHINS case. Those with fewer than 10 absences would be referred to peacemaking for early intervention services. Other service providers provided information on their services for interagency collaboration and coordination.

<u>Traditional Teachings</u>. The Alamo Healing to Wellness Court, Alamo Peacemaking Program and Alamo Probation Services partnered with the Navajo Treatment Center from Fort Defiance, Arizona, to utilize the Alamo peacemaking hogan to provide traditional teachings on domestic violence, roles and male and females, and substance/alcohol abuse for adults and juveniles with parents from the Alamo community.

<u>Traditional Teachings in To'hajiilee</u>. On March 26, 2014, , the Alamo/Tohajiilee Judicial District Healing to Wellness Court, Alamo Probation Services, and Navajo Treatment Center for Children and Families of Fort Defiance, Arizona, conducted an educational session on traditional healing for probation clients and local service providers. The purpose of these teachings, presentations, and prayers are for clients and providers that yearn for traditional knowledge. The Navajo teachings taught in the Navajo language with visual aids let participants know that they have support from resources to help address their issues. The instructors also talked about life experiences and participants were able to ask questions of traditional teachings so he/she can have a good understanding of him/herself and others.

<u>New Mexico Teen Court Association</u>. The teen court coordinator attended the New Mexico Teen Court Association meeting in Santa Fe, NM on February 20-21, 2014. She made new partnerships, collected existing teen court forms and received important information on existing teen courts. Members also discussed teen suicide awareness training, web page, archives, JAF grant, membership and their finances.

<u>Site Visit to Crownpoint Teen Court</u>. On January 28, 2014, the teen court coordinator and staff attorney met with the Crownpoint teen court coordinator to become familiar with the teen court model at Crownpoint and to identify resources utilized for successful implementation. The Crownpoint teen court staff is willing to assist with implementation of the project in the district.

<u>ABBA Worksession</u>. On February 3-4, 2014, judges and staff attorneys made suggested changes to the Álchíní Bi Beehaz'áannii Act Rules of Procedure (ABBARP) with particular emphasis on service of process provisions and customary adoption provisions. The group also made suggested changes to the Act itself.

<u>Data Collection</u>. On January 13, 2014, the court administrator met with the Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board epidemiologist and To'hajiilee Behavioral Health Services prevention specialist to review the Access software they use for data collection for their grants. She offered to assist our projects with collection of program data.

<u>To'hajiilee Chapter Meetings</u>. The Healing to Wellness and Teen Court coordinators gave updates on projects and recruited seven community steering members during the To'hajiilee Chapter planning meeting on February 4, 2014. On February 18, 2014, they provided updates to officials and community members on the status of district projects during the chapter's regular meeting. The presentations went well.

<u>Resource Meetings – Interagency Planning and Coordination</u>. The district hosted resource meetings in Alamo and To'hajiilee, New Mexico. These meetings are important in developing collaborative relationships with local health, educational, chapter, and justice systems so issues can be addressed on pressing and documented gaps in the local continuum of care for truancy, substance abuse, and mental health programs for families and youth. The goal is to provide a forum for local services and health providers to plan and coordinate services more effectively despite the lack of resources. Resource meetings were held in Alamo, New Mexico, on January 30, February 28, and March 27, 2014. Resource meetings were held in To'hajiilee, New Mexico, on January 31, 2014, February 7, 2014, February 25, 2014, and March 28, 2014.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To schedule a peacemaker/judge quarterly meeting.

To conduct Teen Court prevention/intervention activities during spring break, including training of youth jurors.

To work on strategic plans for Healing to Wellness Court and Teen Court.

To conduct the Child Abuse Awareness Month activities.

To conduct justice days in Alamo and To'hajiilee.

To establish steering community committee in Alamo.

To conduct two intakes for the Healing to Wellness Court.

To draft written procedures for the Teen Court.

# VIII. Judicial Branch Statistical Caseload Reports

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Reconsiderations	Caseload	Closed Cases	Pending			
Civil	39	18	1	58	9	49			
Criminal	0	0	0	0	0	0			
NNBA	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Special Proceedings	1	0	0	1	0	1			
Quarter Caseload	40	18	1	59	9	50			

#### SUPREME COURT OF THE NAVAJO NATION

#### TUBA CITY JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	Closed Cases	Pending
Civil	37	26	63	47	16
Criminal	485	365	850	266	584
Civil Traffic	282	394	676	374	302
Criminal Traffic	192	156	348	26	322
District Total	996	941	1,937	713	1,224
Family Civil	113	37	150	16	134
Domestic Violence	34	111	145	95	50
Dependency	24	19	43	10	33
Delinquency	14	23	37	8	29
CHINS	2	2	4	2	2
Family Total	187	192	379	131	248
Quarter Caseload	1,183	1,133	2,316	844	1,472

#### KAYENTA JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	Closed Cases	Pending
Civil	41	45	86	35	51
Criminal	397	103	500	197	303
Civil Traffic	176	192	368	126	242
Criminal Traffic	43	8	51	16	35
District Total	657	348	1,005	374	631
Family Civil	63	33	96	12	84
Domestic Violence	121	103	224	108	116
Dependency	19	1	20	2	18
Delinquency	6	7	13	6	7
CHINS	1	0	1	0	1
Family Total	210	144	354	128	226
Quarter Caseload	867	492	1,359	502	857

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	Closed Cases	Pending
Civil	28	16	44	8	36
Criminal	61	21	82	5	77
Civil Traffic	39	51	90	64	26
Criminal Traffic	32	4	36	4	32
District Total	160	92	252	81	171
Family Civil	58	28	86	31	55
Domestic Violence	7	30	37	25	12
Dependency	2	2	4	0	4
Delinquency	0	0	0	0	0
CHINS	0	0	0	0	0
Family Total	67	60	127	56	71
Quarter Caseload	227	152	379	137	242

# ANETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

#### CHINLE JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	<b>Closed Cases</b>	Pending
Civil	128	59	187	102	85
Criminal	466	132	598	77	521
Civil Traffic	622	199	821	655	166
Criminal Traffic	81	21	102	8	94
District Total	1,297	411	1,708	842	866
Family Civil	103	63	166	20	146
Domestic Violence	82	121	203	79	124
Dependency	12	4	16	5	11
Delinquency	4	1	5	0	5
CHINS	1	1	2	0	2
Family Total	202	190	392	104	288
Quarter Caseload	1,499	601	2,100	946	1,154

## DZIL YIJIIN JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	Closed Cases	Pending
Civil	25	10	35	16	19
Criminal	174	29	203	32	171
Civil Traffic	137	38	175	39	136
Criminal Traffic	26	10	36	3	33
District Total	362	87	449	90	359
Family Civil	53	15	68	27	41
Domestic Violence	78	29	107	43	64
Dependency	4	0	4	0	4
Delinquency	0	1	1	0	1
CHINS	0	0	0	0	0
Family Total	135	45	180	70	110
Quarter Caseload	497	132	629	160	469

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	<b>Closed Cases</b>	Pending
Civil	48	5	53	10	43
Criminal	573	113	686	133	553
Civil Traffic	118	103	221	122	99
Criminal Traffic	74	10	84	11	73
District Total	813	231	1,044	276	768
Family Civil	89	49	138	36	102
Domestic Violence	20	41	61	42	19
Dependency	21	2	23	5	18
Delinquency	21	8	29	11	18
CHINS	0	0	0	0	0
Family Total	151	100	251	94	157
Quarter Caseload	964	331	1,295	370	925

# DILKON JUDICIAL DISTRICT

#### WINDOW ROCK JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	Closed Cases	Pending
Civil	812	90	902	71	831
Criminal	1,280	168	1,448	305	1,143
Civil Traffic	872	295	1,167	327	840
Criminal Traffic	321	42	363	62	301
District Total	3,285	595	3,880	765	3,115
Family Civil	808	95	903	86	817
Domestic Violence	286	157	443	122	321
Dependency	114	3	117	11	106
Delinquency	62	4	66	6	60
CHINS	14	4	18	6	12
Family Total	1,284	263	1,547	231	1,316
Quarter Caseload	4,569	858	5,427	996	4,431

#### SHIPROCK JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	<b>Closed Cases</b>	Pending
Civil	173	58	231	62	169
Criminal	967	100	1,067	91	976
Civil Traffic	1,069	726	1,795	780	1,015
Criminal Traffic	747	112	859	88	771
District Total	2,956	996	3,952	1,021	2,931
Family Civil	161	92	253	51	202
Domestic Violence	37	179	216	136	80
Dependency	22	3	25	7	18
Delinquency	39	4	43	14	29
CHINS	19	22	41	9	32
Family Total	278	300	578	217	361
Quarter Caseload	3,234	1,296	4,530	1,238	3,292

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	Closed Cases	Pending
Civil	144	88	232	118	114
Criminal	589	182	771	99	672
Civil Traffic	189	203	392	178	214
Criminal Traffic	204	10	214	25	189
District Total	1,126	483	1,609	420	1,189
Family Civil	160	88	248	88	160
Domestic Violence	95	112	207	139	68
Dependency	54	22	76	21	55
Delinquency	12	4	16	2	14
CHINS	28	3	31	3	28
Family Total	349	229	578	253	325
Quarter Caseload	1,475	712	2,187	673	1,514

## CROWNPOINT JUDICIAL DISTRICT

#### RAMAH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	<b>Closed Cases</b>	Pending
Civil	45	21	66	19	47
Criminal	470	61	531	79	452
Civil Traffic	1,252	46	1,298	60	1,238
Criminal Traffic	83	9	92	7	85
District Total	1,850	137	1,987	165	1,822
Family Civil	46	15	61	8	53
Domestic Violence	48	13	61	17	44
Dependency	10	0	10	0	10
Delinquency	14	4	18	4	14
CHINS	5	0	5	3	2
Family Total	123	32	155	32	123
Quarter Caseload	1,973	169	2,142	197	1,945

## ALAMO COURT

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	Closed Cases	Pending
Civil	22	1	23	15	8
Criminal	34	24	58	1	57
Civil Traffic	42	9	51	23	28
Criminal Traffic	10	0	10	2	8
District Total	108	34	142	41	101
Family Civil	11	12	23	8	15
Domestic Violence	9	10	19	14	5
Dependency	1	1	2	0	2
Delinquency	4	3	7	3	4
CHINS	16	2	18	5	13
Family Total	41	28	69	30	39
Quarter Caseload	149	62	211	71	140

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	Closed Cases	Pending
Civil	0	3	3	1	2
Criminal	217	35	252	63	189
Civil Traffic	77	18	95	13	82
Criminal Traffic	29	1	30	5	25
District Total	323	57	380	82	298
Family Civil	29	15	44	5	39
Domestic Violence	6	14	20	14	6
Dependency	2	0	2	1	1
Delinquency	10	0	10	1	9
CHINS	3	3	6	1	5
Family Total	50	32	82	22	60
Quarter Caseload	373	89	462	104	358

## TO'HAJIILEE COURT

### **PROBATION SERVICES**

Case Type	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	Closed Cases	Pending
Adult Probation	793	336	1,129	285	844
Adult Parole	5	14	19	13	6
Adult Short-Term Probation	1,709	1,586	3,295	1,625	1,670
Adult Probation Total	2,507	1,936	4,443	1,923	2,520
Juvenile Probation	36	1	37	31	6
Juvenile Short-Term Probatio	149	2	151	67	84
Juvenile Probation Total	185	3	188	98	90
Quarter Caseload	2,692	1,939	4,631	2,021	2,610

## PEACEMAKING PROGRAM

District	Brought Forward	Filed	Caseload	Closed Cases	Pending
Alamo	1	6	7	1	6
Aneth	39	9	48	14	34
Chinle	38	29	67	24	43
Crownpoint	15	30	45	15	30
Dilkon	75	62	137	60	77
Dzil Yijiin	8	3	11	0	11
Kayenta	11	10	21	11	10
Shiprock	15	40	55	7	48
Ramah	4	42	46	28	18
To'hajiilee	7	25	32	20	12
Tuba City	11	17	28	9	19
Window Rock	22	32	54	13	41
Caseload	246	305	551	202	349

# IX. Judicial Branch Budgets and Expenditures

The Judicial Branch receives operating funds from two main sources of continual appropriations to provide court services within the Navajo Nation: Navajo Nation General Funds and Federal Funds.

# A. Navajo Nation General Fund

The 22<sup>nd</sup> Navajo Nation Council approved Resolution CS-47-13 for the FY2014 Comprehensive Budget from October 1, 2013, to September 30, 2014. The Judicial Branch General Fund budget allocation was \$13,702,812.00 (Original Budget) and was revised to include a 3% General Wage Adjustment (GWA). The Judicial Branch's FY2014 General Fund budgets consisted of 17 Business Units and one Fixed Cost budget as follows:

No.		Program/Description	0 0	Revised Budget	Actuals - YTD	Encumbrances	Budget Available	% Expensed of Total
1	102001	Admin Office of the Co						
	1942	Prior Year Carry Over	0.00	(65,454.43)	0.00	0.00	(65,454.43)	0.00%
	1992	IDC Recovery	(77,536.00)	(77,536.00)	(91,268.96)	0.00	13,732.96	117.71%
	1996	Allocation	(1,473,195.00)	(1,510,770.00)	0.00	0.00	(1,510,770.00)	0.00%
	1000	Revenues	(1,550,731.00)	(1,653,760.43)	(91,268.96)	0.00	(1,562,491.47)	5.52%
	2000	Personnel Expenses	1,252,420.00	1,293,885.82	527,768.23	0.00	766,117.59	40.79%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	298,311.00	355,475.61	44,134.03	61,055.43	250,286.15	29.59%
	9000	Capital Outlay	0.00	4,399.00		4,399.00	0.00	100.00%
	2000	Expenses	1,550,731.00	1,653,760.43	571,902.26	65,454.43	1,016,403.74	38.54%
2	102002	Chinle Judicial District						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	857,792.00	883,527.00	416,067.76	0.00	467,459.24	47.09%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	100,274.00	100,274.00	31,235.98	985.19	68,052.83	32.13%
	2000	Expenses	958,066.00	983,801.00	447,303.74	985.19	535,512.07	45.57%
3	102003	Crownpoint Judicial D	istrict					
	2001	Personnel Expenses	697.711.00	718.645.00	299,953.78	0.00	418.691.22	41.74%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	98,052.00	98,052.00	33,796.58	3,011.59	61,243.83	37.54%
	2000	Expenses	795,763.00	816,697.00	333,750.36	3,011.59	479,935.05	41.23%
4	102004	Window Rock Judicial	District					
_	2001	Personnel Expenses	907,360.00	938,172.29	436,611.41	0.00	501,560.88	46.54%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	68,005.00	64,415.71	21,719.83	0.00	42,695.88	33.72%
	2000	Expenses	975,365.00	1,002,588.00	458,331.24	0.00	544,256.76	
5	102005	Shiprock Judicial Dist	rict					
	2001	Personnel Expenses	864.698.00	890.641.00	374.073.22	0.00	516.567.78	42.00%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	105,653.00	105,653.00	21,851.06	0.00	83,801.94	
	2000	Expenses	970,351.00	996,294.00	395,924.28	0.00	600,369.72	39.74%
6	102006	Tuba City Judicial Dist	rict					
Ū	2001	Personnel Expenses	678,650.00	699,012.00	331,090.59	0.00	367,921.41	47.37%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	85,036.00	85,036.00	27,930.48	300.00	56,805.52	
	2000	Expenses	763,686.00	784,048.00	359,021.07	300.00	424,726.93	
7	102007	Ramah Judicial Distric	t					
	2001	Personnel Expenses	490,796.00	505,522.00	226,602.97	0.00	278,919.03	44.83%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	72,171.00	72,171.00	21,468.67	0.00	50,702.33	
	2000-7000	Expenses	562,967.00	577,693.00	248,071.64	0.00	329,621.36	42.94%
	2000		002,007.00	511,035.00	240,071.04	0.00	020,021.00	72.0770

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	Business Unit/Object							% Expensed
No.	Code	Program/Description	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actuals - YTD	Encumbrances	Budget Available	of Total
•	400000	Commente Count						
8	<b>102008</b> 1942	Supreme Court Prior Year Carry Over	0.00	(8,000.00)	0.00	0.00	(8,000.00)	0.00%
	1996	Allocation	(889,915.00)	(913,469.00)	0.00	0.00	(913,469.00)	0.00%
	1000	Revenues	(889,915.00)	(921,469.00)	0.00	0.00	(921,469.00)	0.00%
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	2001	Personnel Expenses	792,170.00	815,724.00	320,948.36	0.00	494,775.64	39.35%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	97,745.00	105,745.00	46,841.71	8,000.00	50,903.29	51.86%
	2000	Expenses	889,915.00	921,469.00	367,790.07	8,000.00	545,678.93	40.78%
9	102009	Peacemaking Program	<b>1</b>					
•	2001	Personnel Expenses	. 924,105.00	951,828.00	446,664.86	0.00	505,163.14	46.93%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	119,208.00	119,208.00	68,565.70	0.00	50,642.30	57.52%
	2000	Expenses	1,043,313.00	1,071,036.00	515,230.56	0.00	555,805.44	48.11%
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10	102010	Kayenta Judicial Distr		700 400 00	000 004 05	0.00	470.000.05	00.000/
	2001 3000-7000	Personnel Expenses	717,920.00 166,059.00	739,460.00	268,631.95 70,923.53	0.00 87.50	470,828.05	36.33%
	2000-7000	Operating Expenses Expenses	883,979.00	166,059.00 905,519.00	339,555.48	87.50	<u>95,047.97</u> 565,876.02	42.76% 37.51%
	2000	Expenses	000,070.00	303,313.00	000,000.40	07.50	505,070.02	57.5170
11	102011	Dilkon Judicial Distric	t					
	2001	Personnel Expenses	608,087.00	626,332.00	270,217.23	0.00	356,114.77	43.14%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	97,638.00	97,638.00	28,442.88	0.00	69,195.12	
	2000	Expenses	705,725.00	723,970.00	298,660.11	0.00	425,309.89	41.25%
40	400040	Asset I. Patel Blackster						
12	<b>102012</b> 2001	Aneth Judicial District	480,113.00	494,517.00	235,445.42	0.00	259,071.58	47.61%
	3000-7000	Personnel Expenses Operating Expenses	480,113.00 95,137.00	494,517.00 95,137.00	35,210.15	0.00	59,926.85	37.01%
	2000	Expenses	575,250.00	589,654.00	270,655.57	0.00	318,998.43	45.90%
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13	102013	Tohajiilee Judicial Dist	rict					
	2001	Personnel Expenses	473,480.00	487,686.00	228,117.72	0.00	259,568.28	46.78%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	84,620.00	84,620.00	37,839.58	0.00	46,780.42	44.72%
	2000	Expenses	558,100.00	572,306.00	265,957.30	0.00	306,348.70	46.47%
14	102014	Alamo Judicial District	•					
•••	2001	Personnel Expenses	. 74,863.00	77,109.00	37,089.22	0.00	40,019.78	48.10%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	72,508.00	72,508.00	21,402.99	0.00	51,105.01	29.52%
	2000	Expenses	147,371.00	149,617.00	58,492.21	0.00	91,124.79	39.09%
15	102015	Dzil Yiijin Judicial Dist					400 400 04	44 500/
	2001	Personnel Expenses	319,373.00	328,956.00	136,816.09	0.00	192,139.91	41.59%
	3000-7000 2000	Operating Expenses Expenses	<u>66,557.00</u> 385,930.00	66,557.00 395,513.00	17,254.39 154,070.48	0.00	49,302.61 241,442.52	25.92% 38.95%
	2000	Expenses	505,550.00	000,010.00	134,070.40	0.00	241,442.02	00.0070
16	102017	Pueblo Pintado Circui	t Court					
	2001	Personnel Expenses	290,660.00	299,381.00	145,428.40	0.00	153,952.60	48.58%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	37,374.00	37,374.00	2,189.26	0.00	35,184.74	5.86%
	2000	Expenses	328,034.00	336,755.00	147,617.66	0.00	189,137.34	43.84%
17	102010	Drobotion Sorvices						
17	<b>102018</b> 2001	Probation Services Personnel Expenses	1,486,505.00	1,551,470.00	729,836.78	0.00	821,633.22	47.04%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	121,761.00	101,387.00	40,751.47	0.00	60,635.53	40.19%
	2000	Expenses	1,608,266.00	1,652,857.00	770,588.25	0.00	882,268.75	46.62%
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Jud	licial Branch	General Fund Total:	\$13,702,812.00	\$14,133,577.43	\$6,002,922.28	\$77,838.71	\$8,052,816.44	43.02%
Ove	erall Breakdo	own of General Funds:						
	2000	Personnel Expenses	11,916,703.00	12,301,868.11	5,431,363.99	0.00	6,870,504.12	44.15%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	1,786,109.00	1,827,310.32	571,558.29	73,439.71	1,182,312.32	
	9000	Capital Outlay	0.00	4,399.00	0.00	4,399.00	0.00	
			\$13,702,812.00	\$14,133,577.43		\$77,838.71		

No.	Business Unit/Object Code	Program/Description	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actuals - YTD	Encumbrances	Budget Available	% Expensed of Total
18	118019	NN Integrated Justice (F	Fixed Costs)					
	2001	Personnel Expenses	18,090.00	18,633.00	0.00	0.00	18,633.00	0.00%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	481,910.00	869,098.82	106,880.12	364,632.71	397,585.99	54.25%
	2000	Expenses	500,000.00	887,731.82	106,880.12	364,632.71	416,218.99	53.11%
Ove	erall Breakdo	own of General Funds &	Fixed Costs:					
	2000	Personnel Expenses	11,934,793.00	12,320,501.11	5,431,363.99	0.00	6,889,137.12	44.08%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	2,268,019.00	2,696,409.14	678,438.41	438,072.42	1,579,898.31	41.41%
	9000	Capital Outlay	0.00	4,399.00	0.00	4,399.00	0.00	100.00%
	2000	Expenses	\$14,202,812.00	\$15,021,309.25	\$6,109,802.40	\$442,471.42	\$8,469,035.43	43.62%

# B. External Funds

The Judicial Branch currently has eight (8) External Fund Budgets: (1) K120801 Alamo/Tohajiilee Youth Court - Substance Abuse Prevention Initiative, Contract Term, 10/1/11 - 9/30/14; (2) K120802 Aneth/Alamo/Tohajiilee - Community Wellness Courts, Contract Term, 10/1/11 - 9/30/14; (3) K1205113 DHHS Peacemaking Toward Asset - Building in Navajo Nation Rural Communities, Contract Term, 10/1/12 - 9/30/13 - extended to 9/30/14; (4) K1205113 DHHS Peacemaking Toward Asset - Building in Navajo Nation Rural Communities, Contract Term, 10/1/13 - 9/30/14; (5) K100803 Peacemaker Youth Education Apprentice Program, Contract Term, 10/01/09 - 9/30/14; (6) K110801 NNIJISP Tribal Court - Navajo Nation Integrated Justice Sharing Project, Contract Term 10/1/10 - 9/30/14; (7) JAG-Juvenile Peacemaking Project, Contract Term, 10/1/11 - 9/30/15; and (8) K120725 CY 12 Tribal Courts - Public Law 93-638 Indian Self-Determination Act, Contract Term 1/1/12 - 12/31/16, a multi year contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) to provide court services within the Navajo Nation.

	Business Unit/Object							% Expensed
No.		Program/Description	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actuals - YTD	Encumbrances	Budget Available	of Total
1	K120801	Alamo/Tohajiille Youth						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	188,437.00	286,455.00	7,560.30	0.00	278,894.70	2.64%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	228,646.00	211,911.00	6,911.41	0.00	204,999.59	
	9000	Capital Outlay	6,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cos	75,283.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!
	2000	Expenses	498,366.00	498,366.00	14,471.71	0.00	483,894.29	2.90%
2	K120802	Aneth/Alamo/Tohajiilee	Comm					
	2001	Personnel Expenses	318,998.00	323,594.00	71,753.75	0.00	251,840.25	22.17%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	103,110.00	102,324.00	1,380.46	0.00	100,943.54	1.35%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cos	76,190.00	72,380.00	10,889.22	0.00	61,490.78	
	2000	Expenses	498,298.00	498,298.00	84,023.43	0.00	414,274.57	16.86%
3	K1205113	DHHS Peacemaking Bl	•					
	2001	Personnel Expenses	60,403.00	60,403.00	17,980.31	0.00	42,422.69	
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	64,898.00	64,898.00	6,245.45	0.00	58,652.55	
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cos	21,301.00	21,301.00	,	0.00	17,194.73	
	2000	Expenses	146,602.00	146,602.00	28,332.03	0.00	118,269.97	19.33%
4	K130591	DHHS Peacemaking Bl	-					
	2001	Personnel Expenses	65,753.00	67,714.00	20,391.86	0.00	47,322.14	
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	57,980.00	56,019.00	7,342.58	705.00	47,971.42	
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cos	,	21,035.00	1	0.00	16,686.86	
	2000	Expenses	144,768.00	144,768.00	32,082.58	705.00	111,980.42	22.65%

	Business Unit/Object							% Expensed
No.	Code	Program/Description	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actuals - YTD	Encumbrances	Budget Available	of Total
5	K100803	PM Youth Educ/Apprei	ntice					
•	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	450,000.00	450,000.00	269,624.66	29,295.00	151,080.34	66.43%
	2000	Expenses	450,000.00	450,000.00	269,624.66	29,295.00	151,080.34	66.43%
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6	K110801	2010 NNIJISP Tribal Co	ourt					
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	420,020.00	423,792.00	76,354.60	0.00	347,437.40	18.02%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cos	75,812.00	72,040.00	12,209.10	0.00	59,830.90	16.95%
	2000	Expenses	495,832.00	495,832.00	88,563.70	0.00	407,268.30	17.86%
7	K120810	JAG-Juvenile Peacema	•					
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	73,497.00	73,497.00	0.00	0.00	73,497.00	0.00%
	2000	Expenses	73,497.00	73,497.00	0.00	0.00	73,497.00	0.00%
•	1/400705							
8	<b>K120725</b> 2001	CY 12 Tribal Courts	500 407 00	0 44 4 04 0 50	4 000 000 00	0.00	40.4 555 00	79.93%
	3000-7000	Personnel Expenses Operating Expenses	503,197.00 846.462.00	2,414,219.52 903.744.28	1,929,663.83 396.510.44	156.341.72	484,555.69 350.892.12	79.93% 61.17%
	9000	Capital Outlay	0.00	610,141.20	71,896.00	0.00	538,245.20	11.78%
	2000	Expenses	1,349,659.00	3,928,105.00	2,398,070.27	156,341.72	1,373,693.01	65.03%
	2000	Expenses	1,349,039.00	3,920,105.00	2,390,070.27	100,041.72	1,373,093.01	05.03%
Juo	dicial Branch	External Funds & P.L.						
		93-638 Grand Total:	\$3,657,022.00	\$6,235,468.00	\$2,915,168.38	\$186,341.72	\$3,133,957.90	49.74%
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0.46	2000	Personnel Expenses	1,136,788.00	3,152,385.52	2,047,350.05	0.00	1,105,035.47	64.95%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	2.244.613.00	2,286,185.28	764.369.60	186,341.72	1,335,473.96	41.59%
	9000	Capital Outlay	6.000.00	610.141.20	71,896.00	0.00	538,245.20	11.78%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cos	-,	186,756.00	31,552.73	0.00	155,203.27	16.90%
	2000	Expenses	\$3,657,022.00	\$6,235,468.00	,	\$186,341.72	\$3,133,957.90	49.74%
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G	eneral & Exte	rnal Funds Grand Totals:	\$17,859,834.00	\$21,256,777.25	\$9,024,970.78	\$628,813.14	\$11,602,993.33	45.42%

# X. Judicial Branch Fines and Fees Collection

	Budget Status Report as of 3/31/14									
Object Code	Description	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actuals - YTD	Encum- brances	Budget Available	% Expensed of Total			
1400	Financial Revenues			224.97		(224.97)				
1600	Fines & Court Fees	(400,000.00)	(400,000.00)	(252,185.77)	0.00	(147,814.23)	63.05%			
1850	Other Revenue Sources	0.00	0.00	(1.49)	0.00	1.49				
1000	Revenues	(\$400,000.00)	(\$400,000.00)	(\$251,962.29)	\$0.00	(\$148,037.71)	62.99%			

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Object		FY 2014	FY 2014	FY 2014	FY 2014	
Code	Description	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	TOTAL - YTD
1600	Fines & Court Fees					
1611	District Court - Chinle	2,073.85	2,832.15	0.00	0.00	4,906.00
1612	District Court - Crownpoint	2,242.15	4,667.05	0.00	0.00	6,909.20
1613	District Court - Kayenta	2,003.83	2,426.97	0.00	0.00	4,430.80
1614	District Court - Ramah	553.95	686.29	0.00	0.00	1,240.24
1615	District Court - Shiprock	4,605.45	6,302.55	0.00	0.00	10,908.00
1616	District Court - Tuba City	2,373.30	3,517.13	0.00	0.00	5,890.43
1617	District Court - Window Rock	0.00	7,864.20	0.00	0.00	7,864.20
1618	District Court - Dilkon	1,137.40	1,043.30	0.00	0.00	2,180.70
1619.02	District Court - Aneth	621.41	210.00	0.00	0.00	831.41
1619.04	District Court - Dzil Yijiin	410.15	329.25	0.00	0.00	739.40
1610	District Fines & Court Fees Total:	\$16,021.49	\$29,878.89	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$45,900.38
1620	Family					
1621	Family Court - Alamo	160.00	335.00	0.00	0.00	495.00
1622	Family Court - Chinle	1,460.00	1,440.00	0.00	0.00	2,900.00
1623	Family Court - Crownpoint	1,571.19	2,090.79	0.00	0.00	3,661.98
1624	Family Court - Kayenta	628.35	770.00	0.00	0.00	1,398.35
1625	Family Court - Ramah	65.00	227.50	0.00	0.00	292.50
1626	Family Court - Shiprock	3,643.50	2,041.45	0.00	0.00	5,684.95
1627	Family Court - Tohajiilee	115.00	345.00	0.00	0.00	460.00
1628	Family Court - Tuba City	940.00	1,237.00	0.00	0.00	2,177.00
1629	Family Court - Window Rock	0.00	4,300.00	0.00	0.00	4,300.00
1630	Family Court - Dilkon	755.00	1,010.45	0.00	0.00	1,765.45
1631.02	Family Court - Aneth	380.00	455.00	0.00	0.00	835.00
1631.04	Family Court - Dzil Yijiin	330.00	320.00	0.00	0.00	650.00
1620	Family Court Total:	\$10,048.04	\$14,572.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24,620.23
1640	Circuit					
1642	Circuit Court - Alamo	193.15	80.15	0.00	0.00	273.30
1644	Circuit Court - Tohajiilee	43.80	101.60	0.00	0.00	145.40
1640	Circuit Court Total:	\$236.95	\$181.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$418.70
1650	Supreme					
1652	Supreme Court - Window Rock	1,130.00	1,759.95	0.00	0.00	2,889.95
1650	Supreme Court Total:	\$1,130.00	\$1,759.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,889.95
1601	- Court Total:	\$27,436.48	\$46,392.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$73,829.26

## Court Fines & Fees Collected by Quarter

Object		FY 2014	FY 2014	FY 2014	FY 2014	
Code	Description	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	TOTAL - YTD
1660	Public Safety Fines					
1661	Traffic					
1662	Traffic Fines - Alamo	377.50	377.50	0.00	0.00	755.00
1663	Traffic Fines - Chinle	11,160.00	23,202.50	0.00	0.00	34,362.50
1664	Traffic Fines - Crownpoint	8,352.01	7,910.00	0.00	0.00	16,262.01
1665	Traffic Fines - Kayenta	2,670.00	7,804.50	0.00	0.00	10,474.50
1666	Traffic Fines - Ramah	2,812.50	2,770.50	0.00	0.00	5,583.00
1667	Traffic Fines - Shiprock	21,252.50	37,019.75	0.00	0.00	58,272.25
1668	Traffic Fines - Tohajiilee	579.50	904.25	0.00	0.00	1,483.75
1669	Traffic Fines - Tuba City	8,460.50	21,330.00	0.00	0.00	29,790.50
1670	Traffic Fines - Window Rock	0.00	11,453.00	0.00	0.00	11,453.00
1671	Traffic Fines - Dilkon	1,045.00	1,480.00	0.00	0.00	2,525.00
1672.02	Traffic Fines - Aneth	1,520.00	3,950.00	0.00	0.00	5,470.00
1672.04	Traffic Fines - Dzil Yijjin	525.00	1,400.00	0.00	0.00	1,925.00
1661	Traffic Total:	\$58,754.51	\$119,602.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$178,356.51
1600	Fines & Court Fees Totals:	\$86,190.99	\$165,994.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$252,185.77
Judicial	District Court Fines & Fees Summary:					
1600	Fines & Court Fees	16,021.49	29,878.89	0.00	0.00	45,900.38
1620	Family	10,048.04	14,572.19	0.00	0.00	24,620.23
1640	Circuit	236.95	181.75	0.00	0.00	418.70
1650	Supreme	1,130.00	1,759.95	0.00	0.00	2,889.95
1661	Traffic	58,754.51	119,602.00	0.00	0.00	178,356.51
	Grand Totals:	\$86,190.99	\$165,994.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$252,185.77