





## Spirit Lake Tribe Central Repository Project January, February, March 2019 Monthly Report

GRANT: SLT EDF FUNDING AMOUNT: \$62,280 NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES: One

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES: HIGHLIGHTS COULD BE A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES SUCH AS COMMUNITY RELATED
ACTIVITIES, TRAVEL FOR TRAINING, TRAINING. THIS IS A LIVING DOCUMENT AND WE CAN REFINE AS WE GO
FORWARD. R. McDonald, 2013

<u>January</u>. Now that the Land Buy Back Contract has expired (12/'17) and the VISTA Project (12/"18) is non-existent here, the facility and office space are now used exclusively for (1) tribal minutes and resolutions, (2) businesses, legal cases and attorney files and correspondence, (3) Law and Order Code Book/Constitution and By Laws, policies and procedures for administration, MOAs, tribal government correspondence, and tribal program files. When the opportunity presents itself, I also collect documents regarding local, <u>emphasis on local</u>, tradition, history, language, sacred sites, signage, leaders, judges, etc., and this information can probably be compiled for publication at a later date.

The process of reviewing, identifing, tagging, and organizing documents chronologically by year is <u>ongoing</u> <u>everyday</u> with the goal of allowing tribal council members <u>ready access as needed for decision-making</u>. This is a comprehensive undertaking as there are files dating back to 1942 when the tribe was just beginning to form. Also, every year tribal membership increases, new needs emerge, and new programs are formed when funding from various resources becomes available.

<u>February</u>. FYI: The Central Repository Project was started in 2006 when the tribal government files were included in with other program documents to be destroyed (due to shortage of space in the administration building). Tribal council members (Walking Eagle, Lufkins) approved the request for the files to be delivered to the planning office. The Repository is now recognized as an essential project and tribal government documents are delivered here for safekeeping.

We provide copies of resolutions as requested by program directors. Tribal planning and the mini-mall are a good example of this service which proved beneficial to the tribe. The complete copy of the '90's grant application to construct the mini-mall is stored here. Briefly, that copy was revised by tribal planning in 2016 and submitted to USDA within a period of eight days defeating a set deadline date and the application was approved for funding within the next year (\$900,000+).

<u>March</u>. The LHCC Carpentry Department has been contacted to replace the windows on the Johnson House but they are already busy with a new project. I've asked them to keep us on their schedule. The new windows are stored here in the garage.

I have a worker here from Experience Works. Her title is Data Analyst. <u>FYI only</u>: We had a budget cut of \$10,671 which brings our total budget for 2019 to \$62,280.

Respectfully submitted, Ardis J. Shaw, Director, 05/24/19 766 1907 (Work), 766 1952 (Fax)