



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians

Executive Branch of Tribal Government

Office of the Chief Executive

Via E-mail

July 15, 2025

Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly
Carolyn Beaulieu, District I Representative
Wendy Merrill, District II Representative
Harry Davis, District III Representative

Re: Appropriation and Budget Revision Requests

Aaniin. In the absence of an Administration Policy Board quorum, I am writing to request appropriations as follows:

1. FY 2025 funds in the amount of \$2,307,885.00 to Budget No. 271-2900 (Indian Housing Block Grant). These funds will be used to support the Band's Department of Housing and Urban Development low-rental stock, as submitted.
2. FY 2025 funds in the amount of \$128,571.00 to Budget No. 224-NEW (Early Intervention). These funds provide contracting and program supplies to aid the Band's Family Services team to reduce truancy cases, promote cultural connectedness and resiliency, and reduce the number of families requiring out-of-home placements due to truancy.
3. FY 2025 funds in the amount of \$181,818.00 to Budget No. 222-4530 (Comprehensive Drug Overdose and Morbidity Prevention Act). These funds provide salary, fringe, and program supports for Substance Use Disorder clients within the Band community.
4. FY 2025 funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 to Budget No. 223-4460 (State Allocated Adult Protective Services). These funds must be used for adult protection program services to stop, prevent, and reduce risks of maltreatment and to support safety and dignity of Tribal Elders and adults with disabilities who are vulnerable to abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation.

I am also writing to request a revision for Budget No. 223-4175 (Sexual Assault Program). The revision is needed to adjust the internal budget to align with the Band's final agency-approved budget revision.

Letter from Chief Executive Virgil Wind to the Band Assembly

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Virgil Wind
Chief Executive

CC:

Caleb Dogeagle, Solicitor General
Jared Miller, Legislative Counsel
Danielle Smith, Parliamentarian / Clerk of the Assembly
Mel Towle, Commissioner of Finance

Enclosures:

1. Memorandum from Brittany Wind, Grants Director, to Virgil Wind, Chief Executive, APPROPRIATION REQUEST FOR INDIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANT FY 2025 BUDGET # 271-2900 (July 9, 2025)
2. Memorandum from Brittany Wind, Grants Director, to Virgil Wind, Chief Executive, BUDGET APPROPRIATION REQUEST- SFY 26 – MN DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES- EARLY INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION FUNDING FOR TRIBAL NATIONS (July 8, 2025)
3. Memorandum from Brittany Wind, Grants Director, to Virgil Wind, Chief Executive, BUDGET APPROPRIATION REQUEST- SFY 26 – MN DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES- COMPREHENSIVE DRUG OVERDOSE AND MORBIDITY PREVENTION ACT (CDOMPA) FUNDING FOR TRIBAL NATIONS (July 8, 2025)
4. Memorandum from Brittany Wind, Grants Director, to Virgil Wind, Chief Executive, APPROPRIATION REQUEST FOR STATE ALLOCATED ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES (APS) SFY 2026 FUNDS (July 9, 2025)
5. Memorandum from Brittany Wind, Grants Director, to Virgil Wind, Chief Executive, BUDGET REVISION REQUEST- DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE SEXUAL ASSAULT GRANT BUDGET 223-4175 (July 8, 2025)

Request for Appropriation:

FY 2025 – Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) (271-2900) - request appropriation of FY 2025 funding. These funds will be used to support our HUD low rental stock as submitted.

FY 2025 - MN Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) – Early Intervention and Prevention funding for Tribal Nations (224-NEW). The funds are to provide intervention measures for those at risk of truancy or out of home placement as submitted.

FY 2025 – MN DHS – Comprehensive Drug Overdose and Morbidity Prevention Act (CDOMPA) funding for Tribal Nations (222-4530). The funds are to support staff salary and program supplies as submitted.

FY 2025 – Adult Protective Services (APS) (223-4460) – request appropriation of State Fiscal Year 2026 funding. The funds are allocated to and support services for vulnerable adults as submitted.

Budget Revision Request:

Health and Human Services

FY 2025 – DOJ Sexual Assault Program (223-4175) - \$20,207.71 – move funds within the budget with agency approval as submitted.