## NATIONAL INDIAN CHILD CARE ASSOCIATION



### Annual Report





NICCA was instrumental in securing an historic increase in funding for Tribal CCDBG in FY2018.

NICCA worked closely with Congressional leaders from both sides of the aisle to get an increase of \$156,780,000 for Indian tribes and tribal organizations. In FY2018, this amounted to a set aside of 5.75% of the discretionary funding allocated for all CCDF programs.

Additionally, NICCA worked alongside national child care advocates to ensure that this elevated level of funding for all CCDF continued into FY2019 and beyond.

JENNIFER RACKLIFF

Executive Director, NICCA

### Goal 1

# Strengthening the Organization

#### **NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



Jeanne Dengate
CCDF Manager
Tulalip Tribes, Washington
Area F / ACF Region X



Tricia Peoples
Director Child Care and
Development
Cherokee Nation, Oklahoma
Area C / ACF Region VI

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS**



November 2011, Niagara Falls, NY. The Board of Directors was invited to visit the new child care facilities built by the Seneca Nation of Indians.



May 2019, Anchorage, AK. The Board of Directors was invited to visit Kawerak, Inc. in Nome, AK.

#### LEARNING FROM OUR CONSTITUENTS THROUGHOUT INDIAN COUNTRY















# Promoting Advocacy and Partnerships

NICCA Board and staff engaged in a multitude of meetings throughout the year to ensure that Tribal programs have a voice in the national dialogue on early care and education. These included:

- 2017 Native American Grantee Meeting, Washington, DC. Host: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families.
- Southwest Regional Leadership Forum, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Host: Sarkeys Foundation.
- Child Care Licensing Database Benchmarking Workgroup, Washington, DC. Host: Child Care Aware of America.
- Child Care Coalition and Advocacy Meeting, Washington, DC. Host: National Women's Law Center.
- Congressional education and outreach, Washington, DC. NICCA-led education and outreach to members of Congress.
- Building Self-Sufficiency through Access to Child Care, Marksville, Louisiana. NICCA presentation at the National Indian and Native American Employment / Public Law 102-477 Training.
- Listening Session, Washington, DC. Host: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families Office of Child Care.
- Gaining Your Voice and Standing for the Children: Empowerment at the National Level, San Antonio, Texas. NICCA panel presentation at the National CACFP Sponsors Association Conference.
- Shared Services, Chicago, Illinois. Host: Build Initiative.
- Child Care Data Center Advisory Council, Washington, DC. Host: Child Care Aware of America.
- ACF Regional Cluster Training, Various. Host: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families Office of Child Care.
- Child Care Consumer Education and Engagement Meeting, Chicago, Illinois. Host: National Center for Parent, Family, and Community Engagement.
- Future Search, Washington, DC. Host: Bipartisan Policy Council.

In FY2018, NICCA directly secured an historic increase in funding for Tribal CCDF programs, resulting in a doubling of child care funding through CCDF.

## Building the Capacity of Child Care Leaders

NICCA held four Training Institutes throughout the country during 2018 (calendar year). The trainings focused on the importance of continuity of care and the foundations of monitoring. NICCA provided the core presentation group, including Chair Tammy Charles, Secretary Sherry Rackliff, Vice Chair Barbara O'Neal, and Treasurer Eloise Locust. Presentations in Oklahoma also included staff from the Oklahoma Department of Human Services, Denise Anderson and Mitzi Lee. The trainings were held across four states and reached over 170 people.













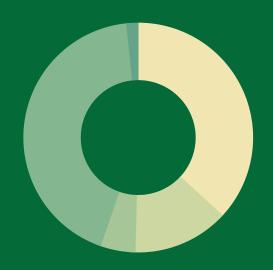


Direct Program Support. NICCA began providing direct program support in FY2018. Programs can request program support through the web site or directly by phone or email to staff or Board members. NICCA provided the following supports:

- A Tribe in southern Oklahoma on the implications of operating under P.L.
   102-477 for Tribal child care.
- A Northeast Oklahoma Tribe on using CCDBG funding for construction.
- A Native Village in Alaska on developing policies and procedures, updating their eligibility table, adjusting their sliding fee scale, updating their provider payment rates, drafting their application for construction using CCDBG funding, and identifying resources for providing training and professional development.



### Financials Where our money comes from





In-Kind Contributions: 36.9%



Trainings: 43%



Memberships: 13.5%

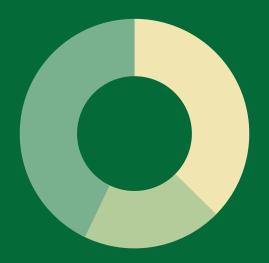


Donations: 4.9%



Sales: 1.7%

#### Where our money goes FY2018 USES





Trainings & Events: 42.9%



Strengthening NICCA: 37.4%



Advocacy & Partnerships: 19.7%







