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Justin,

I can help you with this on Monday, but make sure we get to it. Thanks.



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Good Afternoon Justin,

We have reviewed SIN's IHBG ARP Amendment request and have a couple of questions and or requests for modifications. Please review the items below and return the revised IHBG ARP AIHP to me by **next Tuesday, 12/05/2023**. If you would like to discuss and go through the items listed below please provide the best time we can connect this week and I will set up a TEAMS calendar invite.

### **Section 3**

#### **COVID-19 Respond - 1 - Operations and Maintenance**

- **Line 7 Types and Level of Assistance** – "Rental and utility subsidy, not to exceed the FMR for a 2BR unit in Skagit County, WA" needs to be moved into **COVID-19 Prevention - 4 Housing Support Services** program activity as these are not O&M activities but are housing services activities.

#### **COVID-19 Prevention - 2 - Housing Support Services - Community Awareness**

- **Line 2 Program Descriptions** - States "To provide citizens with resources regarding crime prevention and how to become more alert and aware of what is going on around them." Please add detail on how this program activity will prevent, prepare for, or respond to COVID."
- **Section 5 Uses of Funding** – Need to allocate funds.

#### **COVID-19 Prevention - 4 - Housing Support Services**

- **Line 7 Types and Level of Assistance** – States, Purchase of food”, please provide additional detail about this activity. Please note that food vouchers are not an allowable activity unless there is a mechanism in which the items purchased are eligible and trackable by SIN.

## **Section 5 – Uses of Funds**

- **COVID-19 Prevention - 2 - Housing Support Services - Community Awareness** - States \$0, - No funding was allocated, please review. Please note you may need to re-evaluate the funds for the other program activities to ensure that the total grant amount for the AIHP total to \$624,608.

Sincerely,

*Sandel Ferguson*

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Hi Sandel,

We are requesting that we use dollars we received through IHBG ARPA toward the maintenance and occupancy, housing support services, and housing administration for our Xwch’anteng project serving Samish Elders and Samish persons with a documented disability who are unable to work. Initially, we were going to use these dollars to purchase an emergency shelter but as you will see from the paragraph below, our priority has changed due to the increase and impact of COVID on our Elders and persons with a disability.

This year alone, Skagit County reported a total of 10,114 cases of COVID; this represents an increase of 332 cases from the previous year (581 hospitalizations since the beginning of 2023).

Native American Deaths from COVID is highest amongst all racial groups. Our goal is to prevent our Elders and persons with a disability from being isolated due to the rise of COVID. In some cases we have been informed that our elders/persons with a disability are being displaced due to COVID Exposure.



Because of this, and in conjunction with our goal to ensure safe and stable permanent housing with access to critical medical care, we are recommending this change.

Thank you for your consideration, should you have any questions regarding this please feel free to contact me personally. We are in the process in getting the cover page signed by our Tribal Chairman.

**Respectfully yours,**

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