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### Iowa Tribe Housing Authority Secures \$4,999,918 Million for Affordable Housing Development

White Cloud, Kansas — The Iowa Tribe Housing Authority is excited to announce it has been awarded \$4,999,918 through the Fiscal Year 2024 Indian Housing Block Grant Competitive (IHBG-COMP) Program. These funds will support the development of 18 housing units, 3-4 at market rate and 15 homes for low- to moderate-income Tribal members (under 80% area median income), including a mix of six (6) elderly duplexes and six (6) single-family homes on the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska reservation.

This award builds on previous funding successes. Over the past six months, the Housing Authority has secured a total of \$8,500,000 in grants to address the critical housing needs of its Tribal members:

- **\$3,000,000** from the FY23 IHBG-COMP Program for the first phase of housing development.
- **\$500,000** from the FY24 Federal Home Loan Bank Native American Housing Grant Program, which will be used to construct 3-4 market-rate homes.
- **\$4,999,918** from the FY24 IHBG-COMP Program for the second phase of development, focusing on affordable housing for low-income Tribal families and elders.

As soon as weather conditions allow, construction will begin on these much-needed housing units. Most of these homes will align with **HUD's Office of Native American Programs (ONAP)** definition of affordable housing, ensuring that monthly housing costs do not exceed 30% of household income for families at or below 80% of the area median income.

"This is an incredible milestone for the Iowa Tribe Housing Authority and our community," said **Brad Campbell**, Executive Director of the Iowa Tribe Housing Authority. "These grants will enable us to reduce overcrowding, combat homelessness, and ensure our elders and families have safe, affordable housing on our reservation."

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