

Hoopa Tribal Planning Department

Goals and Objectives

The goals of the Hoopa Valley Tribal Planning Department for Fiscal Year 2017 are many. Starting with the implementation of the CEDS Plan, which will require working with many other Tribal and Community Stakeholders, we must engage in activities that lead to economic development here in the Hoopa Valley. With that being said one of the first major goals is to secure grant funding through the Economic Development Administration that will not only create a new job for someone to coordinate the CEDS efforts but also lead to the development of much needed infrastructure such as a new shopping center/strip mall. This facility will be home to a locally owned grocery store as well as a small business incubator where training will be provided for those in the community who wish to start their own small business. This facility will also have commercial space available for those small businesses. This will go a long ways toward realizing Tribal self-sufficiency and keeping local dollars within the local economy.. EDA, USDA, and private foundations are all possible funding sources that can contribute to small business development.

Securing grant funding that will go towards workforce development for local youth as well as adults is also a major priority. The Youth Build Program through HUD is something that will help our local youth gain both work and life skills. This will be a great benefit to them and the community for many years to come. Additionally, we will be working with Hoopa Tribal Education to ensure that our local youth are getting every opportunity possible to succeed within the Klamath-Trinity Joint Unified School District and beyond. In order for this to happen we must work to establish more Tribal influence within the district and at local colleges and universities. As for the adult workforce we will be working with the Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services and the North Coast Small Business Development Center to bring much needed job training opportunities here to the Reservation.

We will continue our goal of addressing the substance abuse and mental illness rehabilitation center by continued collaboration with local tribes. We are working hard to identify viable solutions from new and existing services, along with treatment centers that we currently use. Our focus is to bring a positive level of health and wellness back into all of our communities. Another goal will be to identify grant money to go towards the development of solar energy production here on the reservation and beyond. This is something that will save the Tribe and its Membership a lot of money and could be a good source of revenue as we develop our capacity to market solar energy products. The pursuit of funding for: Housing, Youth/Recreational opportunities, a restaurant and launder mat here on the Reservation, and major improvements to Tish Tang Campground are also key goals of the Planning Department. We will be doing all that we can to bring these types of developments to reality.

Another major goal will be to continue to work with the Land Commission to get a Land Use Plan approved by the Tribal Council. Considering the fact that several Land Use Plans have already been developed, the plan here is to identify all areas that need to be updated and take appropriate action in order to be compliant with Title 48 of the Tribal Code. Getting what

already exists approved with the understanding that we will make the required updates over time is the goal. This is exactly what the County of Humboldt has done with their General Plan and is something that is needed here in order to prevent them from asserting jurisdiction over certain fee lands here on the Reservation.

We will also be working with the Army Corps of Engineers through their Walking Shield Program. We want to make the most of the opportunities this program provides starting with the application and consultation process. Our objective with them will be to do whatever it takes to get as many land surveys done as possible here on the Reservation. This will be done working with our Tribal Realty Department. We will also work with this group to develop infrastructure such as a downtown bathroom and a skate park for local youth. These are all things that have been identified as great needs in our community and the Planning Department will be doing all that it can to bring these visions to reality.

All and all the Planning Department of the Hoopa Valley Tribe will be making every effort necessary to improve the social and economic conditions here on the Reservation. This will include planning and grant writing for: economic development, housing, workforce development, environmental protection, education, physical and mental health, food security and more. It is our goal to serve the Hoopa Valley Tribe and its Membership to the very best of our abilities.