NARRAGANSETT INDIAN TRIBE'S
SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

FOURTH QUARTER/ANNUAL REPORT
(October/November/December)
Date: 12/31/25

Welfare Assistance Grant (WAG)

General Assistance Program

During this quarter, the GA program serviced 6 clients. 1 client was unemployable and 5 clients were employable seeking employment. The 1 unemployable client is awaiting on confirmation on when they can return to the workforce. **A total of 10 individual persons were assisted this program year.**

Carry-overs from last year's GA Program

There were 5 participating clients; who still were in need of financial assistance, carried over from program year 2024 into 2025.

New Applications

There were no new applicants this quarter for the General Assistance Program (GA). There were 6 new applicants for the year; 5 were employable clients seeking employment or job training and 1unemployable seeking approval to return to the workforce from the doctor.

Re-applicants for GA Assistance

There were 5 re-applicants; participants that were terminated March and re-applied for services in October, this quarter. All five were employable clients seeking employment or job training.

Approvals, Denials & Non-Considerations

There were no new applicants that applied this quarter. All 6 active participants were approved this quarter; no denials this quarter.

Case Plans, Progress Reports & 90 Day Evaluations

There were 6 case plans established, 12 progress reports updated and there were no 90 day evaluation performed this quarter.

Suspensions

There were no suspensions placed on active clients this quarter. All participating clients complied with program requirements and were approved.

Terminations

This quarter all 6 participating clients were terminated from the GA program 12/31/25. FY2025 Welfare Assistance Grant (WAG) Program ended 12/31/25.

Service Only-Cases

Services were provided 89 times with regards to outreach services, advocacy or referrals for assistance through local agencies, such as, the Johnny Cake Centers, South County Community Actions Programs, Food Stamp Office, Social Security Administration Office, the Department of Human Services, state housing authorities and other agencies in the community that provide direct client services.

Transportation services were provided 18 times this quarter. There were 76 home visits conducted to assist families seeking services through the Tribe's LIHEAP, CSBG, General Assistance (GA) Programs, Native American Caregiver Support Program (NACSP) or through outside resources in the local community.

Miscellaneous "Burial" Assistance

There were 7 applications received for Miscellaneous "Burial" Assistance this quarter. Total expenditures for the quarter is $16,995.00. Total expenditures for the 2025 program year is $29,495.00.

BIA - Emergency Assistance

There were no applications received for Emergency Assistance this quarter.

Areas Serviced

North Kingstown
South Kingstown
Narragansett
Westerly
West Kingston
Wood River Junction
Charlestown

Total Regular BIA 2025 WAG Funds Expenditures for this quarter
(WAG funding for 2025; $45,217.00)

General Assistance.....$ 5,361.00
Miscellaneous "Burial" Assistance.....$16,995.00
Total expenditures for the quarter: $ 6,307.00

Total expenditures for General Assistance (GA) for the year $15,722.00

Total expenditures for Miscellaneous "Burial' Assistance (BA) for the year $29,495.00

Total expenditures of WAG funding for the 2025 year: $43,003.00

Remaining balance and carryover funds for the next program year: $2,214.00

FY2026 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

The Tribe was awarded $33,443.00; award letter dated 11/26/25, for its FY2026 LIHEAP program of which $32,439.00 was allocated for program services, such as, fuel asst., crisis asst., weatherization asst. and cooling asst. and $1,004.00 utilized for Indirect Costs (IDC). The life of this program budget is 10/1/25 to 9/30/26.

For the first quarter (October/November/December '25) of this program, a total of **6** households were assisted. All households were assisted through the Fuel Assistance component of the LIHEAP Program. Total service funds expensed this quarter are $3,331.00 and the remaining balance of service funds is currently $29,108.00.

Also during the first quarter (October/November/December '25), the Tribe was awarded $943.00, supplemental FY2026 LIHEAP funds under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117-58); award letter dated 11/26/25. $914.00 was allocated for Crisis Assistance and $29.00 for Indirect Costs (IDC). The budget period for this grant is 10/1/25 to 9/30/27. At this time, no households have been assisted with crisis assistance.

Community Service Block Grant Program (CSBG)

At this time, the Tribe has not been awarded its FY2026 CSBG program funds due to the recent government shut-down. Since the re-opening of the government, the funding source has been working to get everything back in order and once back in full operations, they'll update grantees.

Title VI Administration on Aging Program (AOA)
(Senior Nutrition Program)

The FY2023 Title VI AOA Program (3rd year); budget period 4/1/25 to 3/31/26 (project period: 4/1/23 – 3/31/26), received $61,929.00 in April; award letter dated 3/27/25, and $87,591.00 in May; award letter dated 5/15/25, totaling $149,520 .00 awarded this program year; $142,044.00 to utilized for program operations and $7,476.00 to be allocated for Indirect Costs.

For the first quarter (April, May, June '25) the program provided meals; takeout meals, to **38** tribal elders/seniors and other eligible patrons at the meal site facility. The senior meal site facility provides a noontime meal to the seniors five days a week, fifty-two weeks a year. The total number of takeout/congregate meals provided for this quarter was 1,650.

For the second quarter (July, August, September '25) the program provided meals to 59 tribal elders and other eligible patrons at the meal site facility; an increase of 21 participants from last quarter. The senior meal site facility provides a noontime meal to the elders, seniors and eligible patrons five days a week, fifty-two weeks a year. **The program provided an additional 1,816 meals this quarter bringing the total number of takeout meals provided at this time to 3,466; total patrons served at this time 59.**

For the third quarter (October, November, December '25) the program provided an additional 1,827 meals to tribal elders and other eligible patrons at the meal site facility. The additional meals this quarter bring the total number of meals provided from the program at this time to 5,293. **Total individual patrons served is still 59.**

Title VI Administration on Aging Program (AOA)
(Caregiver Supportive Services)

The FY2023 Title VI AOA Caregiver Supportive Services Program (3rd year); budget period 4/1/25 to 3/31/26 (project period 4/1/23– 3/31/26), received a total of $29,370.00 in April; award letter dated 3/27/25, $36,490.00 in May; award letter dated 5/15/25, totaling $65,860.00 awarded this program year; $62,567.00 was allocated for program operations and $3,293.00 allocated to Administrative and Indirect costs. These funds sustain a full-time staff person for the program to provide respite care services to eligible tribal families in the Washington County area. Services provided through this program assist those tribal members who provide care for a loved one at home or are being cared for themselves.

During this first quarter (April, May, June '25) the program assisted 7 families with a total of 1 unit of information/referrals to available services, 31 units of assistance in getting access to available services, 0 units of assistance with hygiene, 0 units of assistance in dressing, 0 units of bathing/showering, 1 units of medication reminders, 11 units of meal preparation, 0 units of light housekeeping, 28 units of companionship and 41 unit in chore services. These are just some of the units of Respite services provided through this program. A total of **113** units of Respite services were provided this quarter.

During this second quarter (July, August, September '25) the program did not acquire any additional families this quarter. The program assisted the 7 participating families with 1 units of information/referrals to available services, 30 units of assistance in getting access to available services, 0 units of assistance with hygiene, 0 units of assistance in dressing, 0 units of bathing/showering, 0 units of medication reminders, 14 units of meal preparation, 1 units of light housekeeping, 34 units of companionship and 67 units in chore services. These are just some of the units of services provided through this program. A total of **147** units of Respite services were provided this quarter. There is still a total of 14 participants of the program.

During this third quarter (October, November, December '25), the program did not acquire any additional families this quarter. The program assisted the 7 participants with 0 units of information/referrals to available services, 18 units of assistance in getting access to available services, 0 units of assistance with hygiene, 0 units of assistance in dressing, 0 units of bathing/showering, 1 units of medication reminders, 8 units of meal preparation, 0 units of light housekeeping, 34 units of companionship and 60 units of chore services. These are just some of the units of services provided through this program. A total of 121 units of Respite services were provided this quarter; total Respite services provided for program year 381.