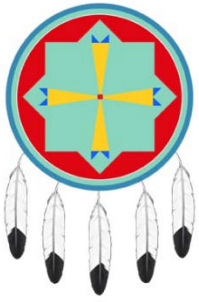


# AMERICAN INDIAN COMMUNITY HOUSE, INC.

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May 27, 2017

To AICH community, clients, allies and friends,

The American Indian Community House has been informed that we will no longer receive funding from Indian Health Service, Office of Urban Indian Health Programs due to financial difficulties. We are currently appealing this decision and we strongly encourage everyone to write a letter in support of AICH continuation and send us a copy. Please email or write today-

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The nonprofit status of AICH remains viable and AICH will continue hosting monthly programming and events, as well as socials. This will allow for greater flexibility and the chance for co-sponsoring a wider range of Native programs.

We will be going through a period of restructuring and transition during the appeal process. We will also seek additional funding to continue the vital health and social services work, and are working diligently to make sure people have appropriate follow up services.

This means that effective June 30, 2017 the American Indian Community House, Inc. will be supported through volunteer efforts and will seek a new space. We will continue to use our current mailing address. If you need health or social services please refer to our website for available resources or call 911 or go to the nearest hospital emergency room if you are in an emergency situation. Please visit the website often to receive updates, communicate with the agency and thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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Interim Executive Director

Email [bgeboe@aich.org](mailto:bgeboe@aich.org)  
to volunteer today!

Cc: AICH Board and Staff