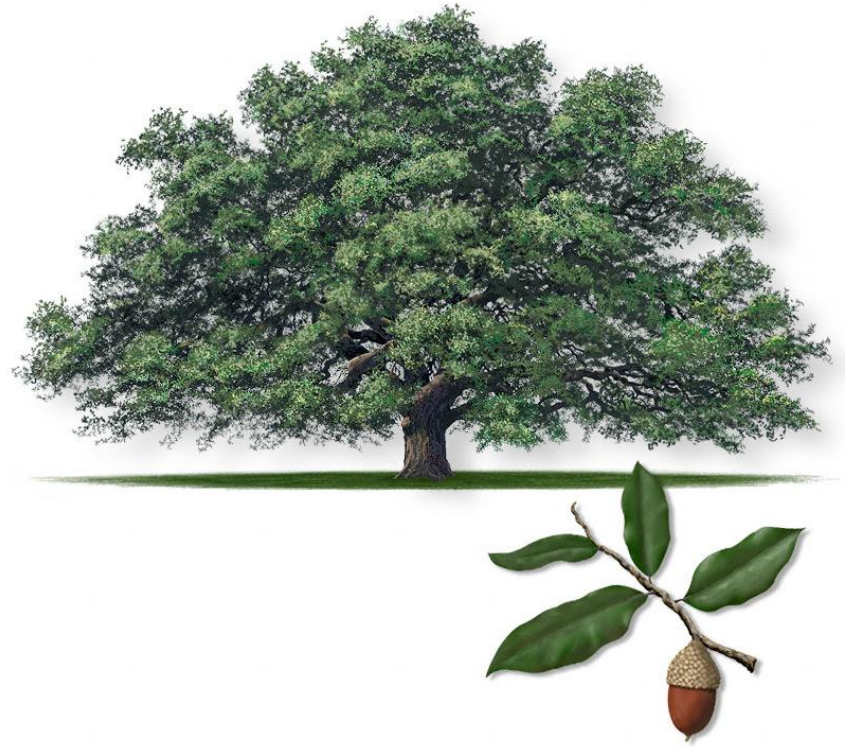


OEHE Partners with Tribes

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Growing a Tree in Rocky Soil

- Patience
- Persistence
- Consistency
- Determination



Joint Venture: Playing the Long Game

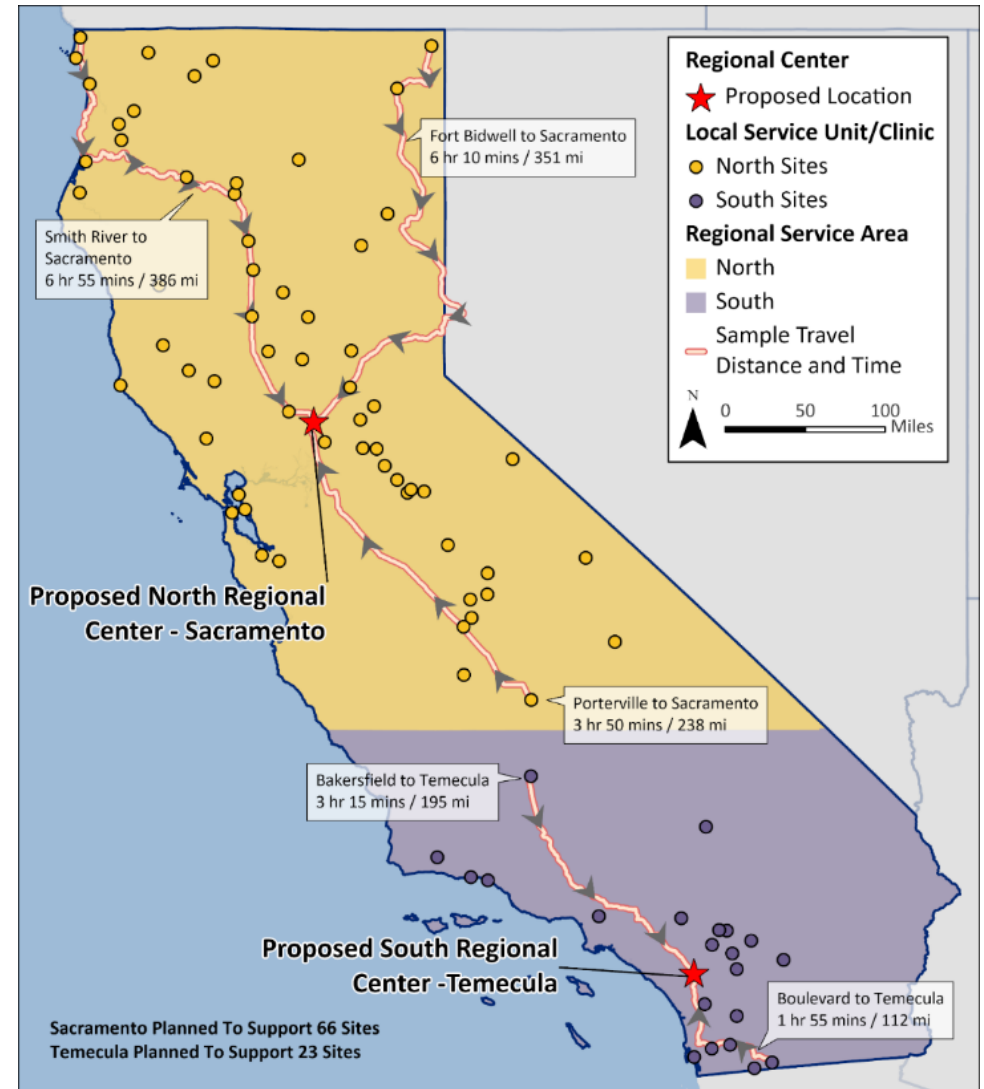


- 1993-2020:
 - 34 Joint Ventures awarded
 - Only one in California
- 2025:
 - 100% success rate with Traditional JV
 - One Long Term Care JV made Phase 2, pending final decision
- What changed?
- Three-legged partnership:
 - FAAB representatives
 - CRIHB
 - IHS



Regional Centers Information

- Indian Health Service created a website with information and documents you can download about the Regional Specialty Centers:
- <https://www.ihs.gov/california/index.cfm/tribal-resources/regional/>



Support Resolutions Received So Far*

45 received as of now – 53 represents a majority

- Barona
- Big Pine
- Bishop
- Blue Lake
- Bridgeport
- Cahuilla
- Cher-ae Heights (Trinidad)
- Chicken Ranch
- Cloverdale
- Dry Creek
- Ewiiapaayp
- Fort Bidwell
- Graton
- Iipay (Santa Ysabel)
- Iñaja-Cosmit
- Jamul
- Kletsel Dehe (Cortina)
- La Jolla
- La Posta
- Lone Pine
- Los Coyotes
- Manchester Point Arena
- Manzanita
- Mesa Grande
- Mooretown
- Pala
- Pauma
- Pit River
- Pulikla (Resighini)
- Quartz Valley
- Ramona
- Rincon
- San Pasqual
- Santa Rosa Res.
- Scotts Valley
- Sherwood Valley
- Susanville
- Timbisha
- Tolowa Dee-Ni' (Smith River)
- Tule River
- Utu Utu Gwaitu (Benton)
- Viejas
- Wilton
- Wiyot (Table Bluff)
- Yuhaaviatam (San Manuel)

** The last new resolution from a Tribe was received in August 2024.*



PRCDA Expansion Study

Study Oversight Team

- Christine Brennan, IHS, Lead
- Otis Brotherton, Program Director, East Central
- Emily Drewek, CRIHB
- Silver Galleto, CATAC, East Central
- Angel Galvez, Urban
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- Leora Treppa-Diego, CATAC, East Central
- Angie Wilson, CATAC, North
- Kristian Zavala, CRIHB

Scope of Work

- Conduct a detailed analysis of the implications of a statewide California PRCDA for both tribal and urban Indian health programs
- Identify the current user population and increased user population that would result from PRCDA expansion
- Analyze the implications for PRC for existing health programs if PRCDA were expanded

Current Status

- Consultant engaging with CAO Tribes and health programs, IHS Headquarters and other Areas who have attempted PRCDA expansion.
- ~30% Complete

Regional Centers Governance Study



Study Oversight Team

- Jonathan Rash, IHS, Lead
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- Angie Wilson, CATAC, North

Scope of Work

- A comprehensive analysis of governance of the proposed regional centers:
 - Under federal ownership and operation, how would Tribes provide meaningful oversight?
 - If a consortium of Tribes wanted to operate the regional centers, how could that be accomplished and how would governance be structured?
- What would be the pros and cons of federal vs tribal operation?

Current Status

- Consultant is looking for Tribal programs which are models of good governance and reaching out to HQ for governance requirements
- ~25% Complete



Regional Centers Population Study

Study Oversight Team

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Scope of Work

- Better quantify the anticipated user population who would utilize the proposed Regional Centers
- Get accurate user counts from all existing Tribal and Urban programs
- Determine a methodology to count the potential number of users from urban / non-PRCDA counties that would be acceptable to IHS HQ

Current Status

- Need a more robust response from both urban and Tribal programs to get accurate projection of population to be served
- Outreach to IHS HQ on methodology
- ~30% Complete

Data Responses Outstanding



Sites we have not heard from yet as of Feb 25th

THOs Missing in Study:

- Colusa Indian Health Community Council
- Lake County Tribal Health Consortium
- MACT Health Board Inc.
- Mathiesen Memorial (Chicken Ranch) (under CRIHB)
- Northern Valley Indian Health Inc.
- Pit River Health Services Inc
- Quartz Valley Program (under CRIHB)
- Redding Rancheria Tribal Health Systems
- Rollings Hills Clinic
- Round Valley Indian Health Center Inc.
- Santa Ynez Tribal Health Clinic
- Shingle Springs Tribal Health Program

THOs Cont.

- Susanville Indian Rancheria
- Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation
- Tejon Tribe
- Tule River Indian Health Center inc. (under CRIHB)
- Tuolumne Me-Wuk Indian Health Center
- Warner Mountain Indian Health Program (under CRIHB)

UIOs Missing:

- Bakersfield American Indian Health Project
- Native American Health Center Inc.
- Friendship House Association of American Indians
- American Indian Health and Services Corp. LA
- Native Directions, Inc.

YOU CAN HELP! If you have a connection at one of the THOs or UIOs listed, please reach out to them to request the data be submitted. Follow up with Jonathan Rash at Jonathan.rash@ihs.gov for details.

The Long Road to Regional Centers



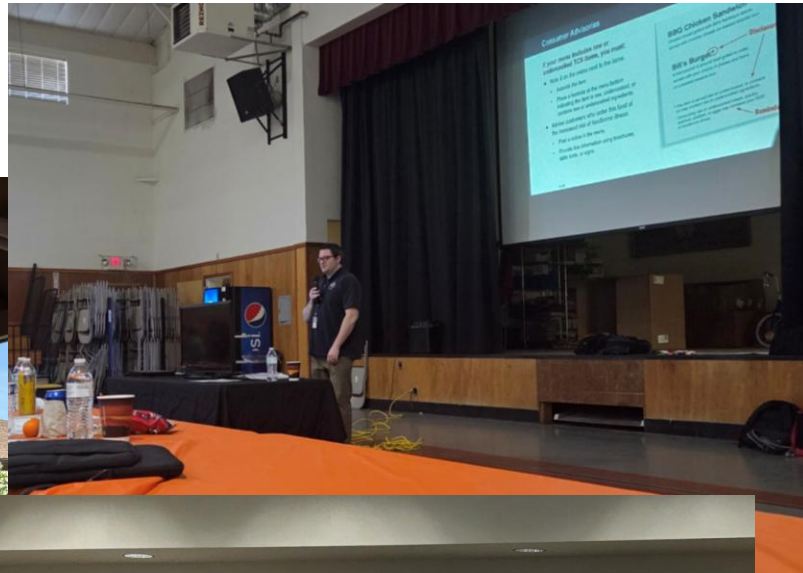
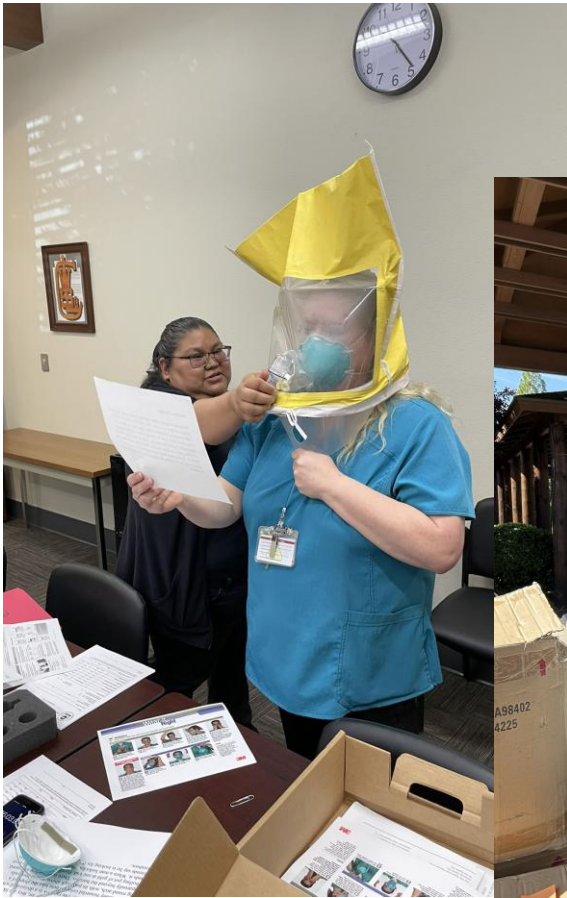
1. Planning Studies
 - a) **Comprehensive User Population Study (underway)**
 - b) **Governance Study (underway)**
 - c) Program of Requirements (POR)
 - d) Project Justification Document (PJD)
 - e) Business Plan
 - f) Site Selection and Evaluation Report / Survey of Potential Locations
 - g) Traffic Studies
 - h) Broadband and Technology Assessment
2. Funding – depends on Congress
3. Land Purchase
4. Engineering Design
5. Construction
6. Hiring Staff
7. Grand Opening



OEHE: What is It You Guys Do Again???



Environmental Health Services



Health Facilities Engineering



Sanitation Facilities Construction



Arcata to Blue Lake Relocation



The old Arcata Field Office was located at **1125 16th Street, Suite 100, Arcata, CA 95521**

- Lease was abruptly terminated by the General Services Administration (GSA) on February 24, 2025.
- In April 2025, GSA submitted a rescission notice of this lease termination to landlord: California State Polytechnic University, Humboldt.
- Cal Poly Humboldt did NOT agree to this rescission and instead offered a lease extension until Dec. 31, 2025. Therefore, IHS was required to leave the facility Dec. 31, 2025.
- In the meantime, GSA staffing was decimated under DOGE, and they did not have capacity to assist IHS with finding a new office space.
- IHS secured Blue Lake Rancheria Tribe's support to relocate this Arcata Field Office to the **Claudia Brundin Health Clinic, 5 Hlow Lane, Blue Lake, CA 95528** (about 8 miles east of existing office location).
- IHS is entering into a 437 lease with the Tribe for a 7-year base term, with two 6-year options (19 years total if all options exercised)

Arcata to Blue Lake Relocation



Expedited Timeline:

- Design of office renovations completed in August
- Tribe currently working on tenant improvements
- Arcata Staff teleworking from home since end of December
- Blue Lake has agreed to store our equipment and GSA vehicles in the meantime
- Hoping to have space ready to occupy by April, pending tenant improvements

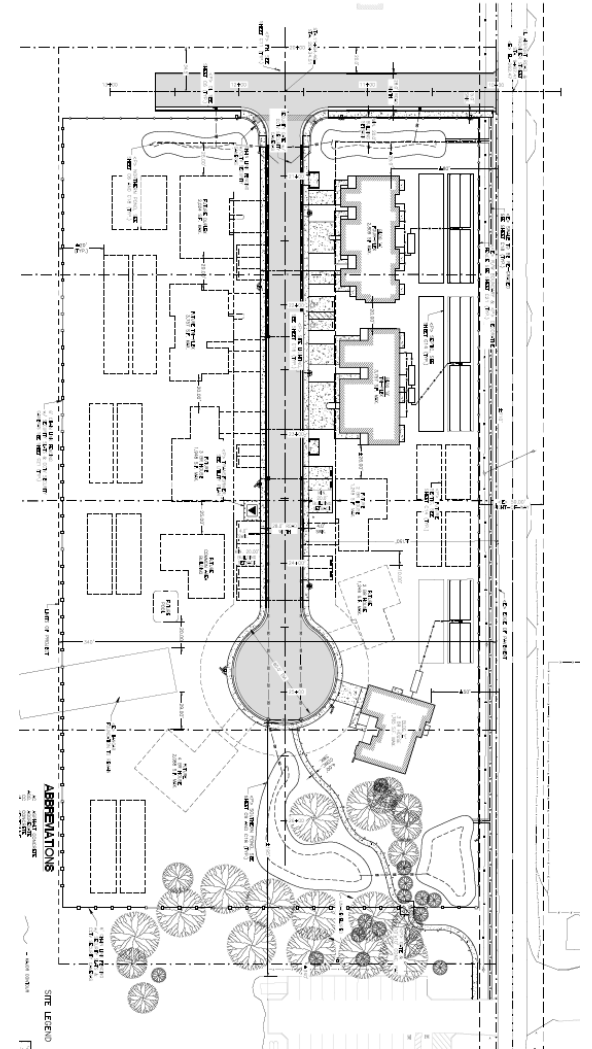
Special THANK YOU to the Blue Lake Rancheria for their support in this challenging situation!





FY 25 Health Facilities Funding

- Long Term Care Joint Venture:
 - No final decisions made yet
 - Made Phase 2: Hoopa Valley
- Quarters Funding:
 - Colusa awarded \$2.85 million
 - Awards 3 of last 4 years
- Emergency Generators:
 - 8 generators awarded in CA, worth \$1.1 million
 - Aware of 52 more needed, estimated at about \$20 million
- 105(l) Leases: 134 leases for \$48.7 million
 - Up from FY 24: 103 leases for \$33.6 million
 - 50% increase 5 years in a row = 623% increase



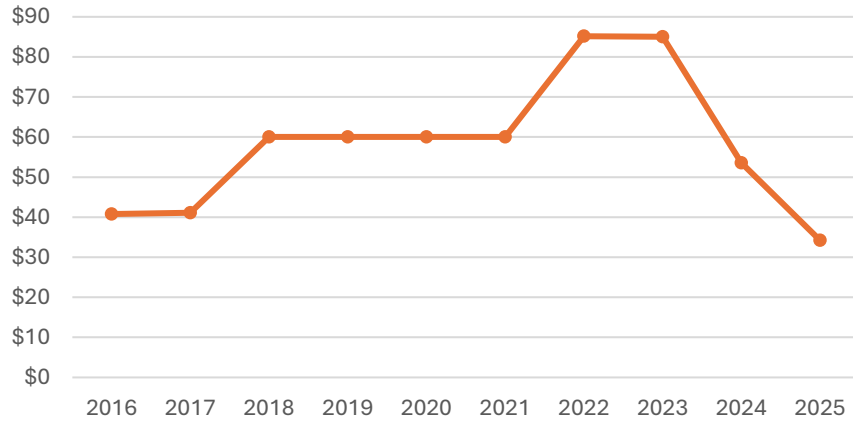


Sacred Oaks Stormwater and Landscape Project

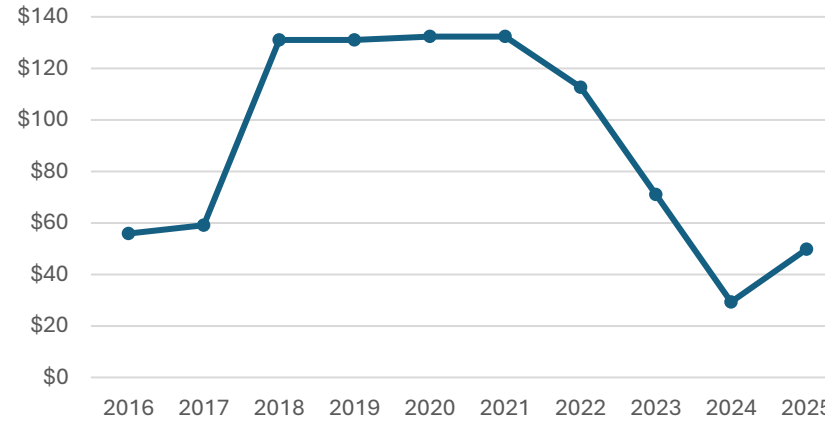
SFC Funding Trends - National



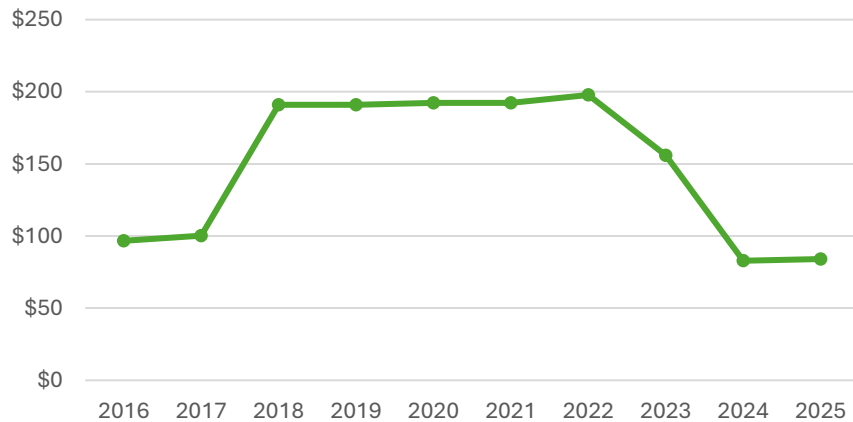
Housing Funds (\$ millions)



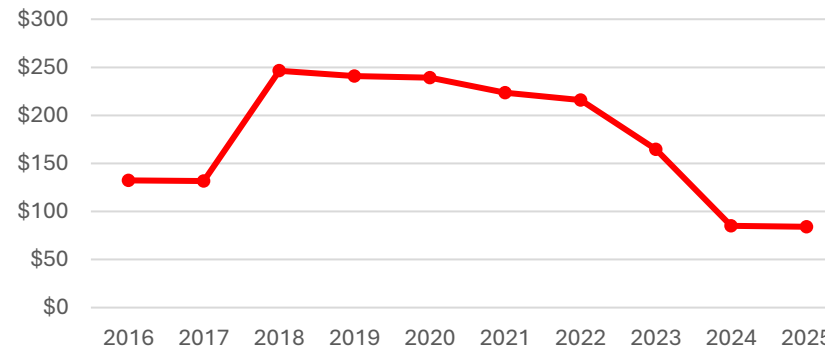
Regular Funds (\$ millions)



Housing + Regular Combined (\$ million)



Combined Funds, Inflation Adjusted (2025 \$)



Quartz Valley Water System

\$1.3 million, jointly funded by IHS and EPA





Thank You!

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