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Indian Health Service awards \$25 million for 14 tribal health facilities

The Indian Health Service has awarded \$25 million to 14 tribes and tribal organizations as part of a competitive [Small Ambulatory Program](#) to fund the construction, expansion or modernization of small ambulatory health care facilities.

The IHS Small Ambulatory Program supports tribes that are working to expand access to various outpatient services for patients. This includes offering new services, expanding existing services, and upgrading outdated facilities. Since the program began in 2001, over 60 projects have been funded, totaling more than \$99 million.

“Small ambulatory health care facilities are an important part of the health care delivery system across Indian Country,” said IHS Acting Director Elizabeth Fowler. “For years, the IHS Small Ambulatory Program has been helping our tribal partners expand access to quality health care in Native communities, and we look forward to that continuing with this round of funding.”

The following tribes and tribal organizations received funding:

Recipient	Location	Amount
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium	Anchorage, Alaska	\$2,000,000
Southcentral Foundation	Anchorage, Alaska	\$2,000,000
The Native Community of Akiachak	Akiachak, Alaska	\$2,000,000
Kodiak Area Native Association	Kodiak, Alaska	\$2,000,000
Ninilchik Village Tribe	Ninilchik, Alaska	\$1,960,000
Seldovia Village Tribe	Seldovia, Alaska	\$2,000,000
Pit River Health Service	Burney, California	\$2,000,000
Karuk Tribe	Happy Camp, California	\$1,932,560
Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Reservation	Browning, Montana	\$2,000,000
Seneca Nation of Indians	Salamanca, New York	\$656,986
Ponca Tribe of Oklahoma	Ponca City, Oklahoma	\$600,000
Citizen Potawatomi Nation	Shawnee, Oklahoma	\$2,000,000

Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas	Livingston, Texas	\$2,000,000
Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah	Cedar City, Utah	\$2,000,000

The Small Ambulatory Program is one of the programs under the [Division of Facilities Planning and Construction](#), which works to promote and facilitate engineering planning and construction support for the IHS national facilities program by developing and enhancing relationships among tribes, IHS area offices, service unit engineers and related professionals dealing in building health care systems.

This division is part of the [IHS Office of Environmental Health and Engineering](#), which supports IHS and tribal communities by providing functional, well maintained health care facilities and staff housing, technical and financial assistance to tribes on safe water and wastewater systems, and a broad range of environmental health and injury prevention activities throughout Indian Country.

The IHS, an agency in the [U.S. Department of Health and Human Services](#), provides a comprehensive health service delivery system for approximately 2.6 million American Indians and Alaska Natives who belong to [574 federally recognized tribes](#) in 37 states. Follow the agency via social media on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [LinkedIn](#).

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