

**CHEYENNE RIVER SIOUX TRIBE,
EAGLE BUTTE, SOUTH DAKOTA
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
DIRECTOR FOR
TIWÁHE GLUKINIPI OTIPI PROJECT**

October 26, 2026

I. INTRODUCTION

The Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe (“Owner” or “Tribe”), a federally recognized Indian tribe, has issued this Request for Proposals (“RFP”) to obtain information so that it may engage a qualified individual to act as Director to develop, manage, and direct an up to 20-bed emergency shelter for adolescents from age 12 to 18, which is known as the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe’s Tiwáhe Glukinipi Otipi or “*Family Healing Place*” (“Project”). The Tribe seeks a Director to ensure the Project's successful, timely advancement and to coordinate the actions needed for a successful opening.

II. SCHEDULE FOR PROPOSALS

Sealed proposals marked “Director of the CRST Children’s Village” for the Project services requested in the RFP **will be received until 5:00 P.M. on November 9, 2026**, Mountain Standard Time. Proposals shall be delivered to the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Tribal Chairman’s Office, P.O. Box 590, Eagle Butte, South Dakota 57625.

III. PROJECT

- A. Project. The Owner previously engaged a contractor to provide consulting, planning, and other services to have the Project licensed by the State of South Dakota; develop policies and procedures required for opening the Project; ensure facilities are up to code and ready to provide services; and make reasonable efforts to open the Project. To date, the Project is not yet licensed by the State of South Dakota and still needs to finalize preliminary steps to open the Project facility. The needs for the future of the facility are completing all preliminary work to have it licensed with the State of South Dakota, coordinating the maintenance and overseeing any needed repairs of the facilities to open the Project, the hiring of staff to operate the Project facility, and day-to-day management of the fully operational Project facility.
- B. Location. The facility is located on the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Reservation in the community of La Plant, South Dakota.
- C. Project Schedule. The Owner anticipates that the opening of the Project Facility and completion of this Project will take place by December 30, 2026.

IV. SCOPE OF SERVICES

A. Owner's Objectives.

1. The Director will advise and assist the Tribe with fulfilling Owner's obligations for the Project as well as performing tasks necessary to help ensure a successful, timely, and on-budget completion of the Project.
2. The Director will be expected to work closely with the Tribe's employees and coordinate with the Tribe's Indian Child Welfare Office (ICWA) and the State of South Dakota Dept. of Social Services.
3. The Director will be responsible for monitoring and keeping the Tribe informed about the status of the Project, as well as providing recommendations to the Tribe on how to best address and resolve issues.
4. The Director will be responsible for assisting the Tribe with coordinating and managing a program for the protection of children needing out of home emergency shelter care and developing a possible therapeutic group home in the future.

B. Owner Representative Responsibilities. The selected proposer will have the following responsibilities as the Tribe's Director for the Project.

1. Provide consultation, planning, and other services required to have the Project licensed by the State of South Dakota with the goal of receiving Medicaid payments.
2. Develop, amend, and consult on policies and procedures required for the Project to be operational.
3. Ensure that the Project facilities are up to code and are maintained according to all requirements to provide services.
4. Open the Project facility to serve CRST Children needing out-of-home emergency shelter living care.
5. Develop a plan for hiring and staffing the Project.
6. Develop a plan and implement a plan to secure additional funding for the sustainability of the Project.
7. Develop a budget for the project.
8. Ensure consistent compliance with all required regulations.
9. Seek and apply for grants to secure additional project funding.
10. Review documents for the Project prepared by previous employees to ensure continuity.
11. Attend monthly meetings with the Child Welfare Committee to discuss and plan the project's future development.
12. Prepare and present monthly reports to the Child Welfare Committee on the current status of the Project.

V. QUALIFICATIONS

- A. The successful bidder must meet the following minimum qualifications.
1. A higher education in a behavioral science, social science, early childhood field, or Master of Social Work.
 2. Management experience.

VI. PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

- A. Proposals must contain the following information. A proposal that does not contain this information shall be deemed non-responsible and is subject to rejection.
1. Describe proposer's qualifications to provide the services.
 2. Describe how the proposer intends to staff the Project to provide required services.
 - Identify key personnel and areas of responsibility, and relevant experience.
 - Identify whether subcontractors will be required.
 3. Describe in detail how you propose to charge for your services, including providing a not-to-exceed cost for services.
- B. Identify any deviations from this Request for Proposals.
- C. Written questions concerning this RFP shall be forwarded, by email or mail, to the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Tribal Chairman's Office, P.O. Box 590, Eagle Butte, South Dakota 57625, honesty.eberhard@crstmail.com.

VII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- A. The successful bidder will be selected in accordance with tribal bid policies, as applicable. This RFP does not commit the Tribe to award a contract or pay any costs associated with the preparation and presentation of a proposal. The Tribe reserves the right to revise the selection process and, in its sole discretion, to accept or reject any or all responses to this RFP. The Tribe may negotiate with or request additional information from any or all considered bidders. The Tribe may waive informalities or irregularities in a proposal.
- B. The successful bidder will be required to enter into a written contract with the Tribe. The successful bidder must carry all appropriate insurance, such as professional liability, errors and omissions, general liability, vehicle, and workers' compensation coverages. The successful bidder must not engage in discriminatory conduct and may not be a barred contractor under tribal or federal contracting requirements.

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