



## **LITTLE SHELL TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS OF MONTANA**

### **NOTICE OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

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**POSITION TITLE:** Housing Director, Little Shell Tribal Housing Department

**EMPLOYER:** Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana

**LOCATION:** Little Shell Tribal Program Office, Great Falls, Montana

**CLASSIFICATION:** Exempt (Salaried)

**LAST CLASSIFICATION DATE:** July 23, 2025

**CLOSES:** Open until filled.

**SALARY:** Based on Experience

#### **I. General Description of Work**

This position consists of supervisory, administrative and management of housing development, assistance and other housing-related activities for the Little Shell Tribal Housing Department.

The following information is not intended to be an all-inclusive or restrictive list of qualifications or job expectations.

#### **A. Program Management & Responsibilities**

Directs, manages and supervises the programming and operations of the Little Shell Tribal Housing Department, which includes the development, management, and maintenance of housing units; oversight of financial housing assistance programming; monitoring housing rehabilitation repairs; and oversight of additional housing related programming.

Attends Tribal Council meetings, as directed, and provides an up-to-date Housing Department report on programming and budgetary updates; prepares any proposed plans, amendments, and policies for the review and approval of Tribal Council; and maintains official records of housing related actions.

Administers all Housing Department activities and develops appropriate operating procedures; supervises staff to ensure the Housing Department follows established policies; monitors tasks and assignments in accordance with all policies and procedures.

Directs all aspects and stages of the development of new housing construction and modernization projects; serves as the contracting officer for all related contracts if so appointed by Tribal Council.

Cooperates with all officials and agencies concerned with the development and management of tribal housing; promotes an understanding of housing programs among all members of the Tribe. Encourages efficient utilization of all resources available to the Housing Department; seeks to meet community needs. Develops and maintains appropriate plans for Housing Department activities to provide an adequate supply of new housing and maintain existing housing to meet the goals as set forth in the Tribe's Indian Housing Plan.

Collaborates with all Little Shell tribal departments and programs on the shared mission and goal of providing services to tribal members. Works to find synergies across tribal programming, services, and departments in order to provide a broader and more effective range of services for tribal members. Effective collaboration drives the success of the Tribe, its programming, and its tribal members.

Engages in national and regional level organizations to better understand and have input into housing and community development issues that affect the Tribe. Ensures Little Shell Tribe's positions on national and regional housing issues are promoted and understood.

## **B. Fiscal Management & Responsibilities**

Submits requests for funding to Tribal, State, Federal, and other entities as directed.

Proposes annual budgets to the Tribal Council for final approval. Monitors and reviews all Housing Department operating and programming budgets with the finance department. Proposes any amendments to budgets to the Tribal Council on a timely basis.

Manages the submission, with the assistance from the finance department, of all required federal financial reports including SF-425 reports, NAHASDA annual performance reports, federal audit reports, and any other required financial reports.

Consistent with the Tribe's procurement policy, approves all purchases, changes, invitations to bid and other Department obligations of funds. Participates in the award contracts after reviewing bids.

Explore opportunities to leverage funds to increase budgetary opportunities.

## **II. Supervision Received**

This position reports directly to the Little Shell Tribal Council for approval of the establishment of programming, housing budgets, policy development, and other complex decision-making. The Housing Director should be able to fully administer the functions and operations of the Housing Department subject to tribal policies and guidance and direction of Tribal Council. The position makes a variety of independent decisions (routine, non-routine, complex and non-complex) on a daily basis.

## **III. Supervision Exercised**

The position functions as a program supervisor providing full program supervision and performing supervisory duties such as evaluating employee performance consistent with the Tribe's personnel policy, identifying training needs, and recommending performance improvement plans and discipline. The position is also responsible for oversight and supervision of contracted personnel as they perform various duties for the Tribal Housing Department such as: housing construction, home repairs, lawn maintenance and other housing related activities as established by approved housing programming and projects.

## **IV. Working Relationships**

Relationships are typically with tribal, state and federal officials, clients, individuals in other agencies and tribal departments and the general public for the purpose of providing information and assistance, resolving conflicts, solving problems, and providing services.

## **V. Working Conditions & Location**

Office and shop environments with exposure to common hazards and normal effort required. Position spends a considerable amount of time in the office managing and overseeing all housing programs. The position will require driving to and from construction work sites. The Housing Director will also have to travel to tribal, state, federal, regional and national housing meetings and conferences. The position will be located in Great Falls, Montana at the Little Shell Tribal Headquarters.

## **VI. Qualification Requirements**

- A. Minimum Training and Experience** – Bachelor's degree in public administration, business management or similar field, and three years of relevant experience; or any equivalent combination of training and experience.
- B. Knowledge** – Considerable knowledge of housing development; understanding of housing construction and contracting; understanding of leveraging funds to build capacity; working knowledge of property management and real estate; working knowledge of applicable federal agency policies and procedures including the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act and federal programming under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

- C. Skills** – Skills in supervisory roles as well as administrative and management practices/procedures; demonstrated skills of budgeting and accounting; must have superb organizational skills.
- D. Abilities** – Ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing; ability to function in a culturally diverse environment; ability to maintain a liaison with other local housing authorities; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with others.
- E. Necessary Special Requirements** – Must possess a valid driver’s license and have no alcohol related convictions for the last three years. Must be able to travel out of area for training and conferences.
- F. Client Service Skills** – Must possess superb client service skills and be able to effectively communicate with clients about Little Shell Tribal Housing Department services.

## **VII. Conditions of Employment**

- A.** Candidates must be able to pass a drug test at the time of hire and throughout employment.
- B.** Candidates must pass a criminal background check at the time of hire and periodically throughout employment.
- C.** Candidates must possess a valid driver’s license and meet insurability requirements of the Tribe.

## **VIII. Indian Preference**

The position is subject to the Little Shell Tribe’s Indian Preference Policy.

## **IX. How to Apply**

Qualified candidates must submit the following materials to **careers@lstribe.org**:

- A.** Resume
- B.** Cover Letter with noted salary expectations or history
- C.** Three professional/career references with contact information.

Any questions should be directed to **s.crawford@lstribe.org**.