Community Grant Outcome Report

Name: Ho-Chunk Nation Culturally Trained Preventive and Supportive Care Project
Grantee: Ho-Chunk Nation
Academic Partner: n/a
Program: Development
Grant Duration: 11/01/2004 to 10/31/2005 (12 months)
Expenditures: $25,000 of $25,000 (100% expended)
Use of Funds: Meet immediate health care needs, needs assessment

Description: Strengthen and expand the continuum of care for Ho-Chunk elders and disabled individuals in Jackson County and serve as a model program for the 14 additional counties that comprise the Ho-Chunk Nation.

Results: This project sought to develop culturally competent preventative and supportive services for the Ho-Chunk elderly and disabled persons and address the following issues: (a) Lack of culturally appropriate services and culturally knowledgeable staff to incorporate traditional methods of care and understanding of care for the Ho-Chunk Nation; (b) Misconceptions about available services and accessible resources to serve tribal elders and disabled persons in need; and (c) Lack of coordination with sister agencies to address these issues. The project successfully developed a strategic plan to meet the stated needs of elders and the disabled of the Ho-Chunk nation. This “Grass Roots” plan addresses all the ideas and issues associated with the Ho-Chunk health care service.

The project also developed a group “Partnership Program” bringing together each health agency that provides health care and social assistance to the Ho-Chunk Nation elders and disabled.

Met Objectives: Yes
Baseline Progress on SHP Objectives: Not measured
Academic Partner Role: No faculty partner
Matched Dollars (cash or in-kind): $5,000

Dissemination: The “Grass Roots” plan has been shared with the outside groups for further investigation and committee formation.

Sustained: Services were integrated into existing programs. No need for future funding.