

# **CCTHITA Business & Economic Development**

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# OUR TRIBE

- **Central Council of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Central Council) is a federally-recognized tribe representing nearly 30,000 Tlingits and Haidas worldwide.**
- **Through a written Constitution, Central Council organized as a single regional tribal government and gained federal recognition in 1935.**

# GOVERNING STRUCTURE

## **MISSION:**

*“Preserving our sovereignty, enhancing our economic and cultural resources, and promoting self-sufficiency and self-governance for our citizens through collaboration, service, and advocacy.”*

Central Council  
**Tlingit and Haida**



Indian Tribes of Alaska

# GOVERNING STRUCTURE

- **Central Council's Tribal Assembly is the general legislative and governing body of the Tribe.**

*"...secure, preserve and exercise the sovereign rights, powers, authorities, privileges, and immunities of the Tribe and all such other rights, powers, authorities, privileges, and immunities as the Tribe shall possess or be granted, to maintain a roll of and promote the welfare of the member citizens of the Tribe, and to legislate for and govern the Tribe and its member citizens."*

# GOVERNING STRUCTURE

- **When the Tribal Assembly of the Central Council is not in session the Executive Council are the governing body of the Tribe.**
- **The Executive Council are charged with enhancing the governance of the Tribe and overseeing the performance of program and business activities.**



# EXECUTIVE COUNCIL



Richard J. Peterson  
President



Will Micklin  
1st Vice President



Rob A. Sanderson Jr.  
2nd Vice President



Lowell Halverson  
3rd Vice President



Edward K. Thomas  
President Emeritus



Jolene Edenshaw  
4th President



Marvin Adams  
5th Vice President



Jacqueline L. Pata  
6th Vice President



Marina Anderson  
Emerging Leader

# COMPACT COMMUNITIES

By tribal resolution these Compact communities have agreed to function as a consortium and have authorized Central Council to compact with the federal government on their behalf.



# COMPACT COMMUNITIES

Under a Compact agreement, Central Council provides the following services:

- Burial Assistance
- College Student Assistance
- Enrollment
- Forestry/Natural Resources
- General Assistance
- Indian Child Welfare Act
- ***Job Placement & Training***
- Johnson O'Malley
- Realty

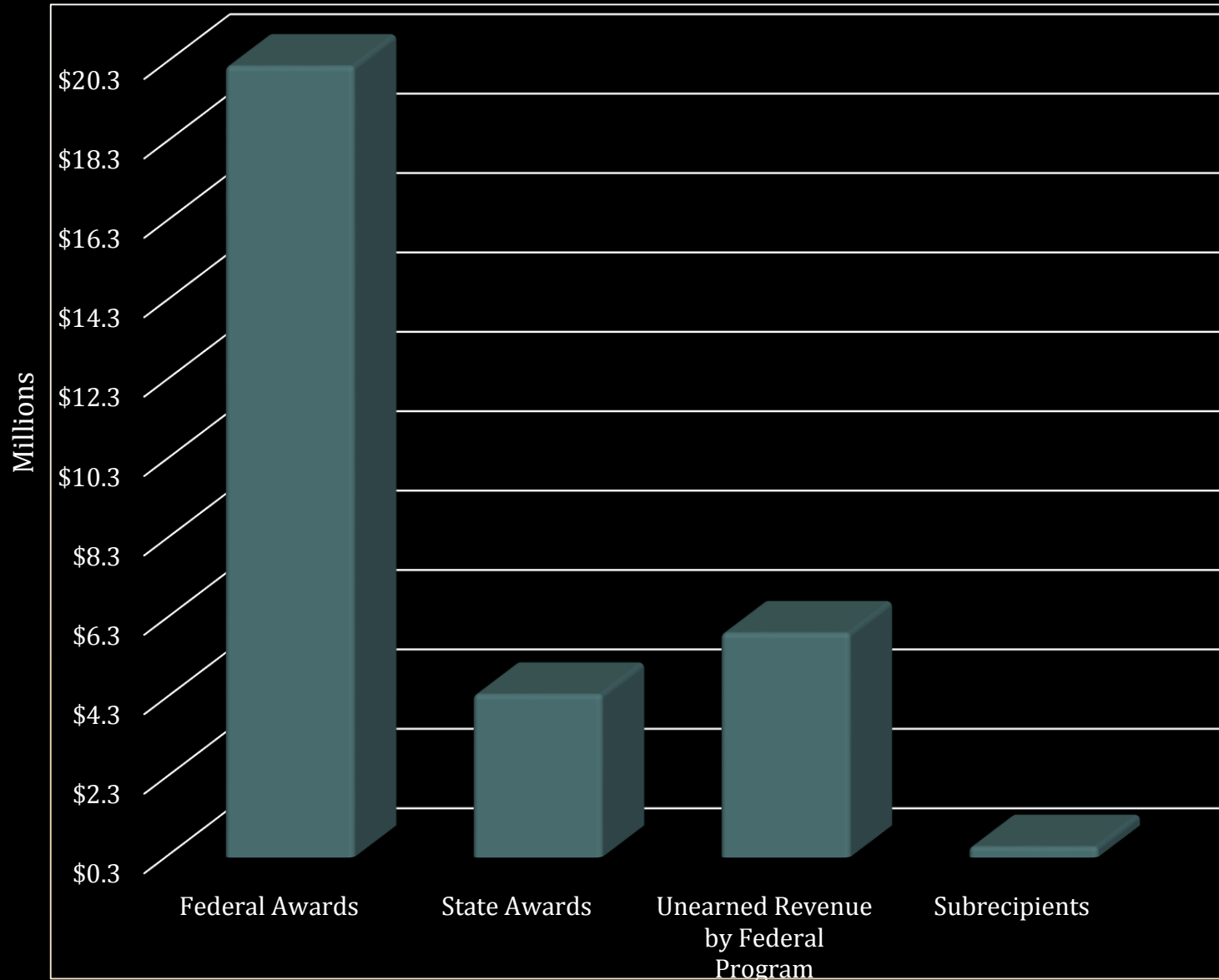


# ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

## Business Development

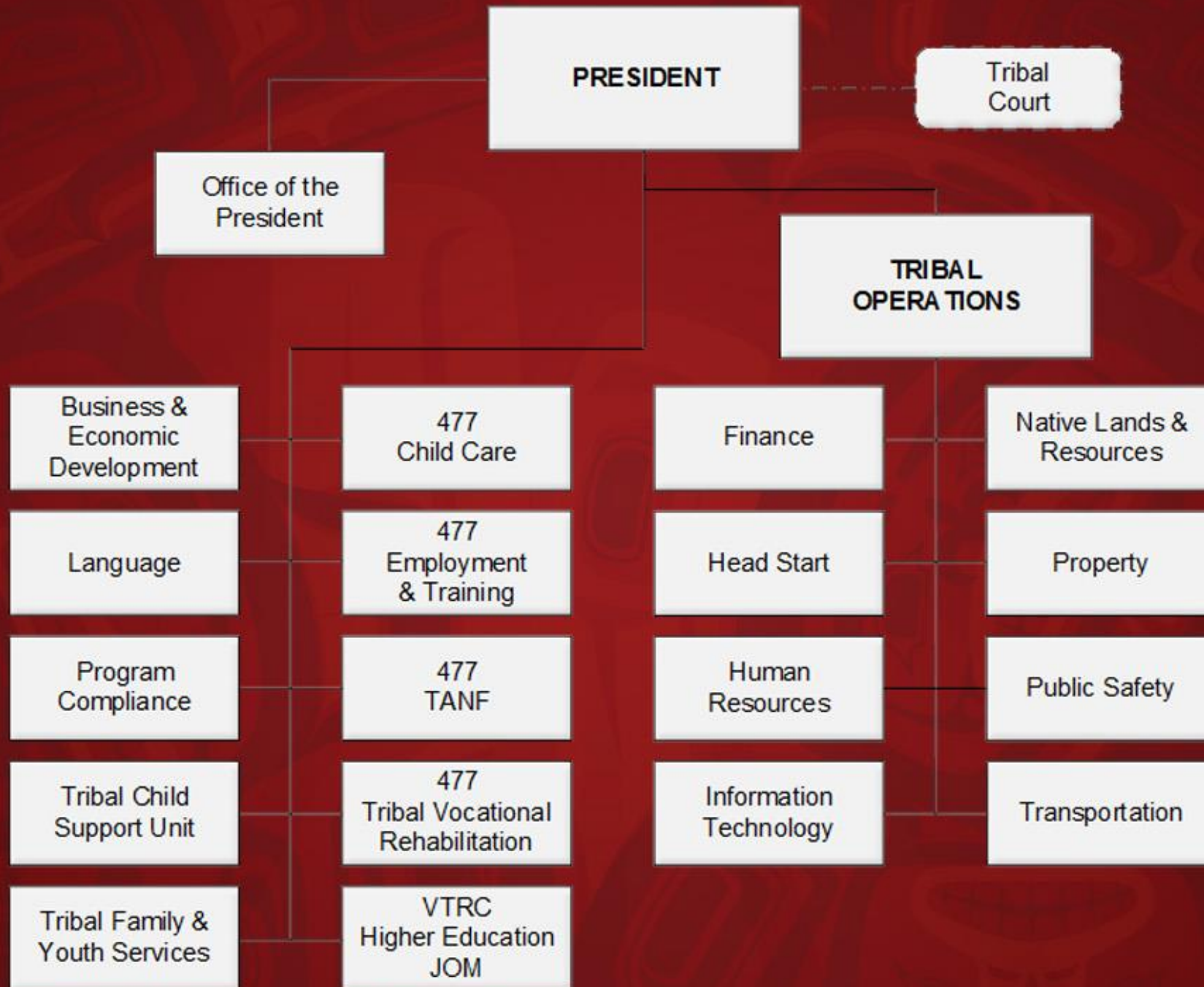
- Tlingit Haida Tribal Business Corporation
- Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall
- Vocational Training & Resource Center






# FUNDING

- Central Council operates and annual budget of over \$27 million dollars.
- Central Council manages more than 40 grants and has a solid track record with well-established support systems.
- No Findings in 2014 Financial Audit



# PRIORITIES



**SOUTHEAST  
TRADITIONAL  
TRIBAL VALUES**

**“OUR WAY OF LIFE”**

- Discipline and Obedience to the Traditions of our Ancestors
- Respect for Self, Elders and Others
- Respect for Nature and Property
- Patience
- Pride in Family, Clan and Traditions is found in Love, Loyalty and Generosity
- Be Strong in Mind, Body and Spirit
- Humor
- Hold Each Other Up
- Listen Well and with Respect
- Speak with Care
- We are Stewards of the Air, Land and Sea
- Reverence for Our Creator
- Live in Peace and Harmony
- Be Strong and Have Courage

Revised, Adapted, and Approved at the 2004 Tribal Forum on Traditional Values  
Sponsored by Central Council, Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, Central Council, SAMHSA Substance Abuse Planning Project, Elderly Nutrition Program, Johnson O'Malley Program and Alaska Rural Systems Planning, Alaska Association of School Boards.

- Implement our Tribal Values in all activities of the Tribe.
- Preserve of our cultural identity and traditional knowledge in the workplace.
- Strengthen our educational outreach on programs and services through greater communication and coordination.
- Develop educational programs including a K-12 language immersion charter school, vocational training, and tribal community college.
- Improve the delivery of programs, services, functions and activities to all Compact communities.



# PRIORITIES

- Earn enterprise revenues to supplement Federal / State funding and the expansion of benefits to all communities.
- Tribal Business Enterprises
  - T&H Services
  - T&H Immersion Park
- Workforce Development
- Tourism

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**CORE VALUES**

[www.ccthita.org](http://www.ccthita.org)

## **WE PUT CLIENTS FIRST.**

Making our clients' lives better is our primary objective. We always follow through with our commitments to our clients.

## **WE EMBRACE CHANGE.**

We believe there is always a better way to do something and we are committed to continuous improvement. Learning is a lifelong process.

## **WE SHOW RESPECT TO ALL PEOPLE.**

We treat all people with kindness and humility.

## **WE HAVE FUN.**

We love what we do and look for the positive in all situations. We never take ourselves too seriously.

# PARTNERSHIP / COLLABORATION

- **Coordinating resources and outlining mutually beneficial relationships is crucial to the success of the Tribe and our ability to better represent and serve our tribal citizens.**
  - Partnering with Sealaska; Haa Aani, THRHA, SEARHC, School District and local businesses
  - U.S. Department of Economic Development Administration
  - U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children & Families
  - U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
  - MOA with State of Alaska for training
  - Alaska Regional Coalition

# PARTNERSHIP / COLLABORATION

- **Expanding Partnership Opportunities**
  - ANCSA Regional and Village Corporations
  - Southeast Tribes -Resource to provide legislative support, letters of support, advocacy.
  - Native Organizations
  - Local Municipalities

**GUNALCHÉESH/HÁW'AA**