

*Tlingit & Haida*



# **WELLNESS IN OUR TRIBAL COURTS**

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# WHO CAN USE THE TLINGIT & HAIDA TRIBAL COURT

- ✓ Tribal Citizens
- ✓ Non-Tribal Citizens
  - ✓ If person involved in case is Tribal Citizen or eligible for enrollment.
- ✓ Personal Jurisdiction
  - ✓ Tribal Citizen or eligible for enrollment
- ✓ Subject Matter Jurisdiction
  - ✓ Matters that have been identified in Tribal Code.



# HOW FAMILIES ARE SERVED

In a user-friendly, culturally appropriate forum for tribal citizens to address their justice needs.

- Child Support
- Child Custody
- Divorce
- Guardianship
- Child Welfare
- Adoption
- Protection Orders
- Wellness Court .... Fall 2021!



# *Tlingit & Haida* *Family Court* *Services*



To respond to the citizens and their families need to address their immediate and more urgent issues

- Victims Advocacy
- Clinical Supports
- Family Case Management
- Court Advocates – DV & SV
- Home Studies & Court Investigations
- Supervised visitation
- Family Court Conferencing / Mediation

# Tlingit & Haida Wellness Court



## ABOUT US

The Central Council of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska's (Tlingit & Haida) Wellness Court is a voluntary program that provides restorative justice and serves as an alternative to the State of Alaska's criminal justice system. The program's focus is to reduce recidivism among Alaska Natives and bring holistic healing through community engagement, collaborative intervention and cultural/traditional practices.

Tlingit & Haida's Wellness team is devoted to providing support through mentorship and guidance with a focus on participant's strengths while teaching our way of life through traditional tribal values.

## MISSION

*Increase cultural healing and wellness for our tribal citizens, their families and their communities.*

## VISION

*Working together to promote a healthier, safer and stronger tribal community by addressing personal and historical traumas while reconnecting to our traditional tribal values and offering a culturally supportive space to focus on wellness and living the process of healing.*



## PURPOSE

- Offer team and community support to help participants develop responsibility and accountability skills.
- Change harmful behaviors, reduce crime and restore relationships.
- Offer cultural awareness and guidance by teaching traditional tribal values and our way of life.
- Strengthen participant's self respect and respect for others through group participation, peer support and mentorship.
- Establish lasting community supports for participants to pave the way for success after graduation.

## PROCESS

Participant will work closely with the Wellness Court team as they progress through the four phases of the program:

- Phase I: Learning
- Phase II: Accepting
- Phase III: Willing
- Phase IV: Succeeding

Upon completion of Phase IV, participant will graduate from the program.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Fourteen years of age or older.
- Enrolled or eligible for enrollment with Tlingit & Haida or have a special relationship.
- Experienced dependence or have a history of using drugs, alcohol or other substances.
- No prior charges of a violent or sexual crime and no prior felonies.
- Willingness to participate in the Wellness Court program.

*"Promoting accountability, healing and tribal lifeways through culture for our tribal citizens."*

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