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Tribe Hires TANF Manager



Stephanie Masse

Tlingit Haida Central Council is pleased to announce the hiring of Stephanie Masse as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Manager.

Ms. Masse will be responsible for the daily management of the TANF Department including budget development and monitoring, preparation of required financial and narrative reports, implementation of policies and procedures, and the successful use of the RiteTrack client data management system to increase self-sufficiency and gainful employment for Alaska Natives and American Indians in Southeast Alaska.

"I am excited to welcome Stephanie to our management team," said President Richard Peterson. "She's a highly motivated individual who has served the Tribe for over 12 years. With her positive, upbeat personality and strong work ethic, I have no doubt that she will increase the successfulness of the TANF Department."

Ms. Masse has extensive experience with multi-million dollar budgets, regulations, direct client services, appeals, investigations and audits. She's been at the forefront of the Tribe's client data management project since its inception. In addition, she has designed and implemented system enhancements, and provided training and support to stakeholders.

"I've worked hard, trained hard, and taken the initiative to learn as much as I can about the goals, mission and vision of the Tribe," said Ms. Masse. "My goal is to strengthen the TANF Department by promoting staff training and developing solid career plans that will instill confidence and increase retention. We'll work to implement comprehensive Tribal Service Plans that will focus on education, training, appropriate career opportunities, and healthy family choices."

Ms. Masse was born and raised in Minnesota and moved to Alaska in 1992. Her Tlingit names are *S'aani* and *Shaa Kin Dax*. She is *Deisheetaan* Raven/Beaver and is the daughter of Roger (Marilyn) Heil and Claudette (Bob) Bodin. She has two sons and one daughter.

Ms. Masse will begin her new position on Thursday, October 16, 2014; her office is located in Juneau at 9109 Mendenhall Mall Road, Suite 8. Please join Tlingit Haida Central Council in welcoming her.

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