FY-2024 2nd quarter report

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, SAFETY, LAND, AND AGRICULTURE

Outcome/Goal # 1

Update current programming and create new programming to provide services to more of the community.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS RELATED TO THE OUTCOME/GOAL:

Oneida Nation Farm hosted the hosted the Wisconsin Bison Producers Association annual meeting at the Oneida Hotel 1-17-2024 there was 45 producers from through the state of Wisconsin. The Farm is meeting, the meat demand for Oneida and MITW Farm Bill 638. OCIFS participated in the Small, Tribal, and Rural Vendors and Farmers and Farmers Market (STRFM) Workshop, where we discussed WIC (Women, Infants and Children) reimbursements that have now gone electronically only. Discussed how to create a platform for payment and how to educate community members on how to use the new electronic method. Farmers Market committee is meeting to plan out the 2024 activities and are working collaboratively with our Sanitarian and Fire Inspector to ensure vendors are aware of code compliance updates and licensing requirements. We have coordinated a vendor meeting that is mandatory to meet with our Sanitarian and Fire Inspector to ensure they are educated and have an opportunity to ask questions. The Cannery provided corn soup & corn bread feeding about 220 people for the Grandparents Feast through the Early Head Start program. The Cannery has been providing Soups for the Just Move It Oneida events once a month on Wednesdays. Also, we have been providing lunch box style meals for all the General Manager's Meetings with community engagement. Tsyunhehkwa's Pilot Program from High School Science Teacher Greg Holder has begun and had students come twice a week for each month. They assisted in our seasonal grounds prep such as brush removal, clearing weeds in the hoop houses, and cleaning and sorting tobacco. For the next month, it will consist of compost preparation, transplanting sprouting seeds for animal garden and other seasonal chores as needed. The Orchard has provided over 3,600 eggs that are sold to the pantry. The Environmental Quality area is working on getting facility on Adam Drive to be in compliance with EPA Construction site General Permit; working on dish washing system temperature requirements at Airport Rd Daycare.

EXPECTATIONS/FUTURE PLANS REGARDING THE OUTCOME/GOAL:

The Orchard, ONF, and Cannery will be participating in the tribal elder food box program again this year. The program runs from May-December and will include 2 distributions a month to 2,300 homes. Our departments will source apples, beef, bison, jams, and other value added goods for the program.

Outcome/Goal # 2

Use best practices to improve the health of the reservation's environment and the community.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS RELATED TO THE OUTCOME/GOAL:

Conservation received a total of 21 verified storm damage hazard tree requests, processed 24 loads of wood for the Elder Supplemental Heating Program and provided wood for four Funeral/Ceremony burns. The Energy Team is pursuing funding to support the Tribal Residential Energy Program to assist with home energy assessments, electrical upgrades, weatherization, heat pumps and solar.

EXPECTATIONS/FUTURE PLANS REGARDING THE OUTCOME/GOAL:

Intend to open the Tribal Residential Energy Program in 2025.

Outcome/Goal # 3

Acquire and manage Oneida Nation land for the benefit of the community and to strengthen the Oneida Nation's sovereignty.

MEASUREMENT:

Date	Address	Parcel #	Municipality	COUNTY	Acres
1/31/2024	N5855 Cty H	170116200	Oneida	Outagamie	15
		170116300	Oneida	Outagamie	5
		170115700	Oneida	Outagamie	1.04
		170116000	Oneida	Outagamie	0.8
		170115400	Oneida	Outagamie	10
		170115800	Oneida	Outagamie	2.6
		170112500	Oneida	Outagamie	15
3/15/2024	N6821 Cty E	170215300	Oneida	Outagamie	6
	1750 Paulson				
2/29/2024	Rd	VA-32-3	Ashwaubenon	Brown	0.699
3/29/2024	200 Blk Cty VV	170022503	Oneida	Outagamie	18.51
				Total	74.649

ACCOMPLISHMENTS RELATED TO THE OUTCOME/GOAL:

Purchased 74.649 acres in the 2nd quarter. 303.116 acres purchased this fiscal year. Total acreage owned = 29,006.73 which is 44% of the reservation.

EXPECTATIONS/FUTURE PLANS REGARDING THE OUTCOME/GOAL:

Land Management making many process improvements and hope to have them in DRAFT form by the end of the fiscal year.

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Photos (optional):



Hazard tree removal from recent snow storm.