

ANISHNAABEK COMMUNITY AND FAMILY SERVICES



SEMI-ANNUAL PRESENTATION

REPORTING PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2026 TO JUNE 30, 2026

PRESENTATION DATE: AUGUST 26, 2026

ACFS ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

JAMI MORAN

ACFS Director

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USDA Program Director

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Program Director**

JESSICA MCKERCHIE

**Advocacy Resource Center
Program Director**

TAMMY SCHROEDER

Administrative Manager

ACFS DIVISION SUMMARY

ACFS FUNDING

The ACFS Administrative Team manages 51 individual Cost Centers totaling \$15.5 million in Fiscal Year 2026.

ACFS REVENUE SOURCES

- Bureau of Indian Affairs
- Indian Health Service
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- U.S. Department of Justice
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
- Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity
- State Contract Billings and Reimbursements
- Sault Tribe Funding
- Prior-Year Grant Carryovers
- ACFS Fund Balance
- In-Kind Revenue/Match

ACFS DIVISION SUMMARY

ACFS TEAM MEMBERS

ACFS has over 90 Team Members located in Sault Ste. Marie, St. Ignace, Kincheloe, Manistique, and Munising.

ACFS SERVICE AREA

ACFS Team Members provide office and home-based services in the Tribe's Seven County Service Area (USDA may provide services to 15 Counties).

ICWA Monitoring services cover the entire United States.

Funeral Assistance is available worldwide.

ACFS SERVICE COMPONENTS

DIRECT SERVICES

USDA

CHILD PLACEMENT

ADVOCACY RESOURCE CENTER

ACFS DIRECT SERVICES

SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES

Direct Assistance provides case management and financial assistance to eligible tribal households to promote self-sufficiency, stabilize basic needs, and alleviate financial hardship.

- Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program
- General Assistance
- Native Employment Works
- Emergency Assistance
- Child Care & Development Fund
- Employee Assistance
- Funeral Assistance
- USDA
- Emergency Housing Assistance
- Lodge of Hope - Transitional Shelter

LODGE OF HOPE TRANSITIONAL SHELTER

The Lodge of Hope is a 21-room facility for Sault Tribe citizens experiencing homelessness.

69 households encompassing 96 individuals utilized LOH services between January 1, 2026 and June 30, 2026.

Number of Households	Total Household Members	Number of Children	Move Ins	Move Outs
59	96	33	39	31

**DIRECT SERVICES HOUSEHOLDS SERVED
JANUARY 2026 to JUNE 2026**

	Households Served	Individuals
CSBG Emergency Assistance	151	307
Elder Heating	104	141
Emergency Housing	120	252
KEAP Emergency Assistance	44	44
LIHEAP – All Components	335	637
Tribal Emergency Assistance	295	635
General Assistance	211	211
Native Employment Works	21	78
Child Care Development Fund	813	1,169
Funeral Assistance	104	104
TOTAL	2,198	3,578

FUNERAL ASSISTANCE AND CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT FUND (CCDF)

- The Funeral Assistance Program provides up to \$1,000.00 towards eligible funeral and burial expenses. Payment may be made directly to the funeral service provider or to the eligible beneficiary.
- Funeral Assistance eligibility is worldwide.
- From January to June 2026, 104 funeral assistance applications were processed.
- Child Care and Development Program (CCDF) Subsidies paid to childcare providers make the cost of quality childcare more affordable for Sault Tribe citizens.
- The CCDF Program also works with childcare providers to enhance the quality care provided to children in their care.

Type of Care	January - June 2026
Center	\$339,121.34
Family, Group, Relative and In-Home Care	\$499,132.84
GRAND TOTAL:	\$838,253.82

DIRECT SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY



Above: New Lodge of Hope Signage



Above: 2026 Family Fun Night
Below: Community Events



USDA FDPIR

SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES

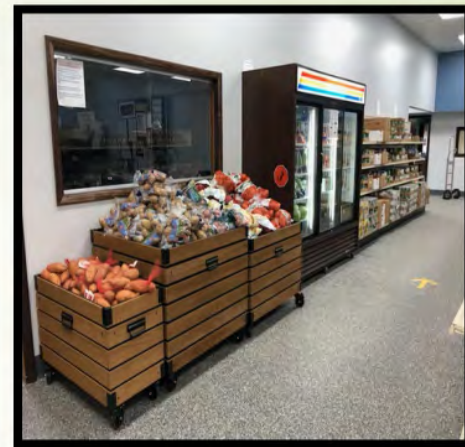
USDA provides tribal households with fresh, nutritious foods.

- **Serving Alger, Cheboygan, Chippewa, Delta, Emmet, Luce, Mackinac, Marquette, Schoolcraft, Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Grand Traverse, Leelenau, and Manistee Counties**
- **Tailgate Sites include Manistique, Marquette, Newberry, Hessel, Escanaba, Munising, Cheboygan, and St. Ignace.**
- **Health and Nutrition Education**

USDA FDPIR

2026	FAMILIES APPROVED	FAMILY MEMBERS APPROVED	FAMILIES PARTICIPATING	FAMILY MEMBERS SERVED
JANUARY	416	732	381	660
FEBRUARY	436	760	400	698
MARCH	443	759	397	673
APRIL	451	751	420	691
MAY	460	750	424	692
JUNE	444	729	418	691
Totals:	2650	4481	2440	4105
Average per month	442	747	407	684
Food From USDA				Families Approved
JANUARY	\$107,449.25		SAULT STE MARIE	228
FEBRUARY	\$ 91,062.14		ST.IGNACE	52
MARCH	\$ 46,049.28		HESSEL	13
APRIL	\$ 84,091.83		MANISTIQUE	44
MAY	\$ 75,128.14		MARQUETTE	15
JUNE	\$127,632.32		NEWBERRY	21
Totals	\$531,412.96		ESCANABA	14
			CHEBOYGAN	11
			MUNISING	16

USDA STORE



CHILD PLACEMENT SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES

Binogii Placement Agency-holds a child placing agency license and private agency provider contract with the State of Michigan MDHHS to provide direct services to tribal children and families within the Tribe's 7 county service area.

Statistics 1/1/26 to 6/30/26

- Foster Care-57 children- 15 closed- 5 reunified,1 closed to adoption by tribal families.
- Adoption-8 children serviced- 1 closed to adoption by tribal families.
- Foster Home Licensing-60 families serviced.
- Parent Aide staff conducted 391 supervised parenting times and 709 client transports totaling 30,896 miles travelled.
- Binogii staff responded to 3,397 placement requests.
- Child Placement staff took part in 12 various community events reaching 1,134 participants.

The agency displayed awareness boards at the Sault Tribe and Manistique Health Centers in recognition of Parenting Awareness Month in March, Child Abuse Prevention Month in April, and National Foster Care Month in May.

The agency held its annual Family Fun Night on April 10 in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month, with 518 people in attendance.

CHILD PLACEMENT SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES

Family Support Programs works with families on specific and individual needs, are in home, and have monthly and weekly face to face contract requirements.

Statistics 1/1/26 to 6/30/26:

Prevention	39 families
Nurturing Parenting	76 families
Family Continuity	28 families
Adolescent In Home Assistance	17 families

CHILD PLACEMENT SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES

ACFS Child Placement Staff have primary protective services responsibility for all tribal children, elders, and vulnerable adults who live on Sault Tribe's 916 Trust land addresses. When there are confirmed safety and risk factors, families may be opened to In Home Care services to provide ongoing support and monitoring.

Statistics: 1/1/26- 6/30/26

- **Children's Protective Services:** 109 Families
- **Adult Protective Services:** 3 individuals
- **In Home Care:** 9 Families

CHILD PLACEMENT ICWA MONITORING SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES

The Sault Tribe intervenes and monitors child welfare cases involving Sault Tribe children.

Statistics 1/1/26 to 6/30/26

• ICWA Monitoring Cases	372 children/cases
• ICWA Expert Witness Testimony	63 times
• ICWA Inquiries and Notices processed	664
• ICWA Legal Intervention Filings	42 total w/25 in MI
• ICWA Court Orders Processed	1,776 court orders

Sault Tribe currently has ICWA monitoring cases in Michigan and 22 other states.

CHILD PLACEMENT SERVICES DATA

Child Placement Type of Service	1/01/26 to 6/30/26
Family Services	264
Licensing	60
Foster Care	57
ICWA	372
Legal	314
Adoption	8
Protective Services	109
ICWA Inquiries	664
Totals	1848

CHILD PLACEMENT SERVICES DATA

Child Placement by County	1/01/26 to 6/30/26
Alger	28
Chippewa	376
Delta	80
Luce	37
Mackinac	92
Marquette	14
Schoolcraft	29
Out of Area	284
Totals	940

CHILD PLACEMENT EVENTS



CHILD PLACEMENT EVENTS



ADVOCACY RESOURCE CENTER

SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES

The vision of the ARC is to empower survivors through the elimination of barriers to break the cycle of power and control for today and the next Seven Generations.

- Core Advocacy
- Safety Planning
- Transportation
- Financial Assistance
- Emergency Legal Advocacy – PPO Assistance
- Criminal Justice Advocacy – Tribal, State, & Federal
- Crime Victim Compensation Assistance
- Sexual Violence Services (SVS)
- Emergency Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Shelter
- Outreach and Community Education
- MMIP Data Tracking and Referral Coordination

ADVOCACY RESOURCE CENTER SEMI-ANNUAL SERVICES

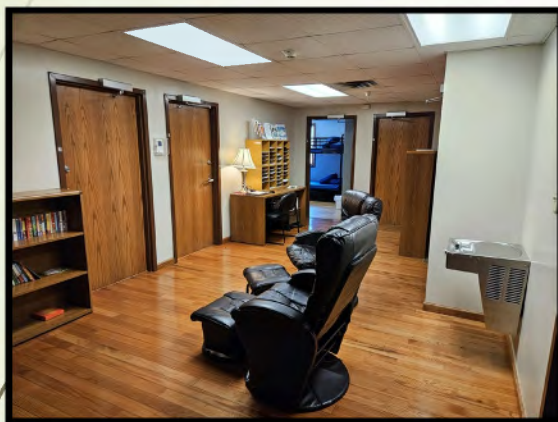
JANUARY TO JUNE 2026

TYPE OF SERVICE	JANUARY 2026	FEBRUARY 2026	MARCH 2026	APRIL 2026	MAY 2026	JUNE 2026	TOTAL
ADVOCACY CLIENTS SERVED	46	40	30	30	57	58	261
DV SHELTER NIGHTS	362	368	337	209	85	131	1,492
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE	\$2,114.00	\$1,165.00	\$1,869.44	\$1,111.44	\$1,672.00	\$2,190.71	\$10,122.59
ARC WEBSITE REACH	3,315	4,285	3,036	4,752	4,387	3,895	23,670
ARC FACEBOOK REACH	99,779	52,400	141,100	116,600	801,255	197,931	1,409,065
ARC EVENTS REACH	1,066	10,305	1,026	2,323	23,817	1,093	39,630

ADVOCACY RESOURCE CENTER

AAKDEHEWIN GAAMIG – LODGE OF BRAVERY

TEMPORARY EMERGENCY INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE SHELTER



**CULTURALLY
HONORING**

**GENDER INTEGRATED
STAFFED 24 HOURS A
DAY**

**HANDICAP
ACCESSIBLE**

**SECURE COMMUNAL
LIVING FACILITY**

**ON-SITE PET KENNEL
INDOOR AND
OUTDOOR CHILDREN'S
PLAY AREA**

**ON-SITE LAUNDRY
FACILITIES**

**TRADITIONAL
MEDICINE GARDEN**



ADVOCACY RESOURCE CENTER SEMI-ANNUAL HIGHLIGHTS



**ARC STAFF
HOSTED AN
MMIP MARCH
IN NEWBERRY
AND
ATTENDED THE
ANNUAL
MMIP MARCH
IN GRAND
RAPIDS.**



**FROM JANUARY TO JUNE
2026 – ARC STAFF DROVE
6,550 MILES, PROVIDING
TRANSPORTATION
ASSISTANCE TO SURVIVORS
AND THEIR CHILDREN WHILE
ATTENDING LOCAL
COMMUNITY
COLLABORATIVE MEETINGS
AND PERSONAL
DEVELOPMENT EVENTS.**

**THE ARC PURCHASED A NEW
PROGRAM VEHICLE DURING
THIS PERIOD.**

ARC OUTREACH



ABOVE: ARC at the annual Tie Dye for Pride event at Sherman Park



ABOVE: Culture is the Key to Healing Sexual Assault Awareness Month event



ABOVE: ARC Educators spread awareness at the Teen Health Fair in Pickford



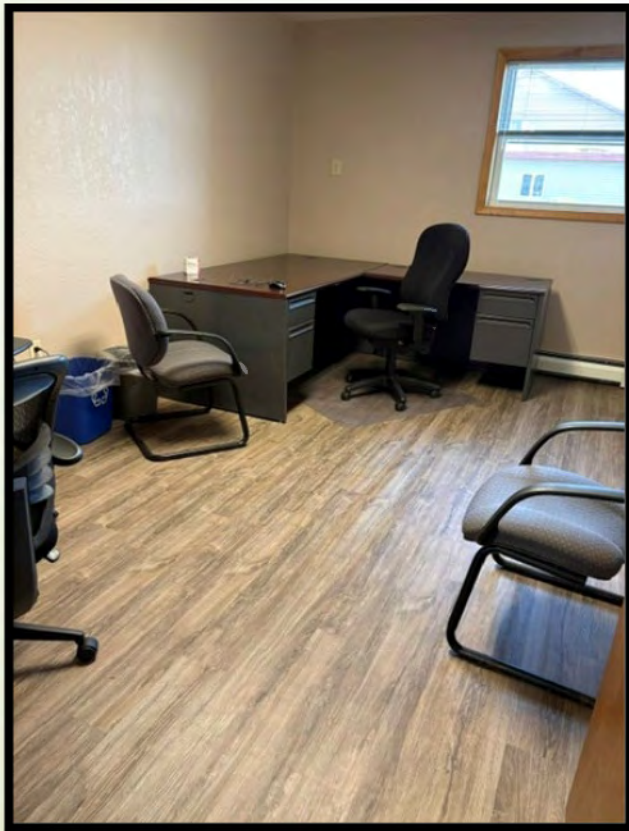
ABOVE: ARC Cultural Healing Educator at ACFS Family Fun Night

ACFS ADMINISTRATIVE PROJECTS

AGENCY SPACE AND FILE REORGANIZATION

- Offices moves were completed to improve space utilization and co-locate team members with similar duties and responsibilities.
- The client/visitor room was renovated and converted into a functional, usable space for meetings and services.
- Storage and supply areas were consolidated into one central location to reduce duplicate inventory and improve supply management.
- A storage area was cleaned out and files beyond the required retention period were properly destroyed, eliminating unnecessary storage needs and resulting in more than \$7,000 in annual space-cost savings.
- A centralized file storage room was established to improve organization, accessibility, and efficient records management.

ACFS ADMINISTRATIVE PROJECTS AGENCY SPACE AND FILE REORGANIZATION



ACFS CONSULTATION AND PARTNERSHIPS

- Sault Tribe Tribal Justice System (TJS) Team
- Sault Tribe Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT)
- Sault Tribe Child Protection Team (CPT)
- Sault Tribe DV Court Team
- Michigan Tribal/State Partnership
- Tribal Social Services Directors of Michigan
- Uniting Three Fires Against Violence (UTFAV)
- DHHS SCAN
- Chippewa County / Luce County DV Task Force
- Chippewa County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)
- EUP FP Coalition
- EUP Continuum of Care (CoC) Local Planning Body (LPB)
- Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence
- Michigan Attorney General MMIP Task Force
- Michigan Government-to-Government Consultations
- Annual Government-to-Government Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation
- DOJ Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) Consultations
- USDA (US Department of Agriculture) /FNS (Food & Nutrition Service)

ACFS OFFICE LOCATIONS

ACFS Main Office

2218 Shunk Rd.,
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783
(906) 632-5250, (800) 726-0093

USDA

3601 Mackinaw Trail
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783
(906) 635-6076 or (888) 448-8732

Kincheloe Office

60 Kincheloe
Kincheloe, MI 49788
(906) 495-1232

Manistique Office

5698 W HWY US-2
Manistique, MI 49854
(906) 341-6993 or (800) 347-7137

Advocacy Resource Center (ARC)

2769 Ashmun Street
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783
(906) 632-1808 or (800) 726-0093

ARC Sexual Violence Services (SVS)

1860 E. 16th Avenue
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783
(906) 632-1808 or (800) 726-0093

Lodge of Hope

3901 I-75 Business Spur
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

St. Ignace Office

1140 N State St.
St. Ignace, MI 49781
(906) 643-8689

Munising Office

622 W Superior St.
Munising, MI
(906) 387-3906