American Indian Services, Inc.

"Let us put our minds together and see what life we can make for our children"
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American Indian Services is a 501c3, small, non-profit, tax exempt agency that has provided culturally appropriate services in the Detroit area since 1971. American Indian Services operates as a contract service provider with funds from the Detroit Wayne County Community Mental Health Agency.
Services Provided by American Indian Services, Inc.

(1) CASE MANAGEMENT

A program that helps you to secure services that you need. A case manager will come out to your home and talk to you about your living conditions and find out what your family might need. They will act as your advocate when you are having trouble with other agencies, schools, and also, help you find additional services.

Case managers are trained social workers. They will respect your independence and urge you to participate in a plan for services. All information you share with a case manager will be kept confidential. Any diagnosis or treatment will also be kept confidential. The information we have about you will only be used to help you get the services that you need. It will not be shared with anyone, unless you give us written permission to do so. You must sign permission slips before anything can be done on your behalf. Unless you are over the income guidelines, all services will be free of charge. This agency is not affiliated with D.H.S. The program is designed to help you help yourself.

(2) PREVENTION

First American Youth Program:

Our prevention program offers children, aged 5-17 years old, after school and summer programs, designed to strengthen cultural ways. They are an alternative to the world of drugs, alcohol and gangs.

The goal of the program is to help Indian children cope with all aspects of their lives, community, family and school. We teach Indian children about their American Indian heritage. We also teach the traditional crafts, so that Indian children can be proud of the accomplishments and contributions made by their ancestors. Children are also taken to cultural events in the Indian community.

(3) COUNSELING/ THERAPY

Out-patient therapy, for both children and adults. American Indian Services provides Counseling for individuals, groups, as well as family therapy. Services can be obtained by phoning American Indian Services. There are no charges for those who qualify.

(4) COMMODITY FOODS

Are offered the second Wednesday of every month, between the hours of 11:00 - 3:00. You must bring proof of income and meet the posted requirements. You can receive commodity foods at only one site.

(5) THAW

American Indian Services can assist you with payments to your utility companies if you meet the requirements set up by the THAW program. Phone the office number on the front of the brochure for more information about utility issues.

This program operates from January 3rd to April 1st every year, not beyond

(6) EMERGENCY NEEDS PROGRAM

If funding is available to the agency. Small donations are made to provide for dire emergencies.

(7) TALKING CIRCLE

Meets every Thursday - 12:30 - 2:30 for Indian Boarding School Survivors