



# Oregon

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**Department of Administrative Services**

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## **2017 Report on Government-to-Government Activities** Oregon Department of Administrative Services

### ***Mission and Focus***

Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) is the central administrative agency of Oregon state government. Our mission is to serve state government to benefit the people of Oregon.

DAS works to effectively implement the policy and financial decisions made by the Governor and the Oregon Legislature. The department also sets and monitors high standards of accountability to ensure that state government uses tax dollars productively. To fulfill its mission, DAS supports state agencies by providing a strong and stable management infrastructure. As part of this effort, DAS works with private enterprise, citizens, and other government entities to develop an efficient service delivery system.

### ***Programs***

#### ***Government-to-Government Summit***

Each year, the Governor convenes a meeting “at which representatives of state agencies and tribes may work together to achieve mutual goals.”<sup>1</sup> DAS provides staff support to the Governor and the Legislative Commission on Indian Services in planning and executing this event.

This year, the Summit took place over two days, November 1-2, 2017. The Summit was well attended by tribal leaders, state agency directors and staff, and Governor’s Office staff. Executive branch agency staff, including the DAS Director and DAS staff, look forward to the annual summit and the annual sharing of ideas, challenges, and successes faced by tribal governments and state government alike.

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<sup>1</sup> ORS 182.166

### *Court Appointed Special Advocates*

Pursuant to passage of HB 2600 during the 2017 legislative session, administration of the CASA program moved from its former administering agency, Oregon Housing and Community Services, to DAS. DAS works closely with the Oregon CASA Network (OCN) to ensure all local CASA programs are supported and able to adequately serve as many children as possible.

Though not a program receiving direct state support, DAS has worked to develop a relationship with the Grand Ronde CASA program. A better understanding of the unique needs and special considerations of Tribal children in the CASA system will better enable us to serve all CASA children. We have partnered with OCN and the Grand Ronde CASA to develop a better training program around Indian Child Welfare Act compliance and general awareness of the law itself.

### ***Looking Forward***

DAS looks forward to continued development of these important Tribal relationships and continued information-sharing and collaboration.

We strive to meet the expectations set by Governor Brown and her demonstrated commitment to our Tribal partners.

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