

### **Department of Administrative Services**

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# 2023 Annual Government-to-Government Report Department of Administrative Services Dec 15, 2023

This annual report is submitted in accordance with ORS 182.166 (3), which requires agencies to submit a report on agency activities under ORS 182.162-182.168.

## Department of Administrative Services Policy on Tribal Relations

In 2016 the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) updated the agency's internal Tribal Relations policy. <u>Policy 107-01-170</u> outlines:

- DAS' primary contact regarding issues and programs affecting tribes.
- DAS' commitment in areas of mutual concern.
- that all members of DAS will consider impacts on Oregon Tribal governments when developing policy.

### **Agency Contacts**

Our primary agency contacts are:

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#### Mission and Focus

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

DAS works to effectively implement the policy and financial decisions made by the Governor and the Oregon Legislature. DAS 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**

### **Disparity Study**

Efforts and outreach for the 2023 State of Oregon Disparity Study included direct engagement with the leadership and staff from The Northwest Native Chamber (NWNC). The NWNC Executive Director helped facilitate outreach to membership to participate in the Disparity Study. NWNC participants were able to share stories and data which help the state better understand how native-owned businesses interact with state procurement activities. This engagement better equips Oregon to recognize and address barriers that Tribal businesses face when engaging in public sector contracting.

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

Each year, the Governor convenes a meeting "at which representatives of state agencies and

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tribes may work together to achieve mutual goals."1

In 2023 the Annual Government-to-Government Summit was cancelled because of an unanticipated scheduling conflict with the White House Tribal Nations Summit. DAS looks forward to engaging in next year's summit and the sharing of ideas, challenges, and successes faced by Tribal and state governments alike.

# Looking ahead

Throughout 2024 the department looks forward to engaging with the newly established Governor's Tribal Affairs Director to support the Governor's commitment to Tribal engagement and communication.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ORS 182.166