

**Three Rivers Human Service Zone Board
Meeting Agenda
Three Rivers Human Service Zone 1st Floor Conference Room
Mandan Office
210 2nd Ave. NW Mandan
10:00 AM – April 16, 2026**

Meeting Call to Order

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Approval of March 19, 2026, Minutes

Review and Approval of April 2026 Bills

Budget Review

Zone Program Stats

Cheryl Thomas – Heart River Correction Center

TRHSZ 2026 Budget Recalculation Meeting

Other

Items may be added or deleted from the agenda prior to or during the meeting.

Next Meeting: May 21, 2026 @ 10 AM, Mandan

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Three Rivers Human Service Zone Board
Meeting Minutes
Three Rivers Human Services Board Room
Mandan
210 2nd Ave NW
March 19, 2026

Meeting Call to Order:

- Dennis Meier called the meeting to order at 10:08 AM

Roll Call:

Mandan: Dennis Meier, Jackie Buckley, Lori Flaten, Rose Mary Lawson, Karen Rohr,

Absent: Dawson Holle, Heidi Peltz

Carson: Marty Meyer (Phone), Gerard Kraft (Phone)

Absent:

Fort Yates: Ken Snider (Phone)

Absent: John Pretty Bear

Others Present: Jodie Leier (online), Tracy Mertz, Mandy Garrett

Approval of Agenda

- Moved by Karen Rohr to approve the agenda, seconded by Lori Flaten. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of February 19, 2026

- Moved by Jackie Buckley to approve the minutes from February 19, 2026, seconded by Lori Flaten. All in favor. Motion carried.

Review and Approval of March 2026 Bills:

- Lori Flaten and Jackie Buckley arrived early to review the bills.
- Moved by Lori Flaten, seconded by Karen Rohr to approve the bills as presented. With a unanimous roll call vote the bills were approved.

Name	Roll Call	Bills Approved
Jackie Buckley	Present	Yes
Lori Flaten	Present	Yes
Rosemary Lawson	Present	Yes
Heidi Peltz	Absent	Absent
Marty Meyer	Present (Phone)	Yes
Gerard Kraft	Present (Phone)	Yes
Ken Snider	Present (Phone)	Yes
John Pretty Bear	Absent	Absent
Dennis Meier	Present	Yes
Karen Rohr	Present	Yes
Dawson Holle	Absent	Absent

Budget Review

- TRHSZ expenditure report was reviewed and questions answered. TRHSZ is currently operating under budget for the year.
- Discussion ensued regarding legal bills accrued by the agency. NDIRF does not financially cover legal representation for grievance proceedings. The zone will be financially responsible for paying these legal fees.

Vince Gillette- Three Rivers Human Service Zone Tribal Liaison Report

- There are approximately 60-100 SRST foster children placed in ND foster homes that Vince assists with facilitating.
- The Tribe has approximately 125+ kids in foster care, but Vince doesn't know where they are all placed as they will not share that information. 22 of these placements are SD IV-E placements in paid ND Foster Care, 39 ND Tribal IV-E children and 15 IV-E placements with relatives. 76 total paid placements.
- Vince continues to dedicate a lot of time addressing Medicaid payment issues for both ND and SD Foster children.
- ND Tribes FMAP for new fiscal year 2026 rates have been released, and new contracts being sent out to be signed and returned and returned to ND HHS.
- The state has hired two more tribal Liaisons. One will do what Vince does for reimbursements and other tribal interactions, while the other will focus on case management. These are evolving positions.
- Keeping the Culture Alive class for February 26, from 6-8 pm. John Eagle, Sr from the Native American Graves Protection Repatriation Act Specialist for the ND State Historical Society presented. We had 27 participants. The next presentation is on March 26th and is on Ojibway culture.
- Vince continues to track the Indirect Expenses for Fort Yates for Jodie Leier to report to the state. The Ft Yates office will be moving to the old Extension Office Building in Fort Yates sometime in April. Rent may increase.
- Vince did 6 Foster Care visits for SRST.
- Vince continues to work on updating the TCM (Targeted Case Management Billing). He is still working on getting the TCM for Turtle Mountain started.
- A question was posed from the board on how long the Face-to-Face visits take with a child. Dennis explained that it varies, but generally the worker visits with the foster family and child/children together. Then the worker visits the child or children in care without foster parents present. It also depends on how talkative the kids are, how many kids are in the house, etc. Most are at a minimum of 1 hour if 1 or 2 kids.
- A question was asked about TCM and Dennis shared insight as to what the benefit of TCM is to the Zone and State

Mandy Garrett – Income Maintenance/Eligibility Supervisor

Three Rivers Zone Office Information

- Current Openings: EW1 requesting reclass to a Team Lead position. The position is on hold due to leads across the state all having different amounts of work. There is a minimal chance the FTE committee will approve changing this position from EW I to a lead.
- Medicaid
 - Total Households: February 2026 – 4177
 - Total Individuals: February 2026 – 6976
 - Total Benefits: N/A

- SNAP
 - Total Households: February 2026 - 1225
 - Total Individuals: February 2026 - 2687
 - Total Benefits Paid: \$548.4K
- LIHEAP
 - Total Households: February 2026 – 819
 - Total Individuals: February 2026 – 2127
 - Total Benefits: \$67.8K
- TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)
 - Total Households: February 2026 – 90
 - Total Individuals: February 2026 – 395
 - Total Benefits: \$54.9K
- Childcare Assistance Program
 - Total Households: February 2026 - 235
 - Total Individuals: February 2026 – 886
 - Total Benefits: \$166.7K
- Call Center Stats
 - Total Calls Received: February 2026 – 27,361
 - Answered Calls: February 2026 – 14,898
 - Abandoned Calls: February 2026 – 10,686
 - Average Wait Time: February 2026 – 17 minutes
 - Average Talk Time: February 2026 – 10 minutes
- HRCC Outreach Stats
 - # of Staff Attended: February 2026 - 3
 - # of Inmates Seen: February 2026 - 15
 - # of MA Apps Completed: February 2026 - 10
 - # of Change Reports: February 2026 – 5
 - # of SNAP apps completed: February 2026 - 0
- Swim Lanes
 - Group 1 backlog: 6,093 work items (as of 3/11/26)
 - Medicaid work requirements expected to start January 1st, 2027
 - Group 2/3 backlog: 9,509 work items (data as of 3/11/2026)
 - Currently training 5 new EWS-with another joining in mid-April
 - Group 4 backlog: 554 work items (as of 3/11/26)
 - TANF monthly reports will end April 1st, 2026. Working clients will have a 6-month review period and non-work-eligible individuals will have a 12-month review period.
 - CCAP waitlist has over 500 clients
- Support Specialists (Statewide)
 - No changes or backlog
- Call Center Information
 - No changes or backlog
- Foot traffic in the three offices has been monitored since May 2024.
 - Sioux County 206 in February
 - Grant County 39 in February

- Morton County 347 in February
- SNAP will have some work requirements; there may be exemptions if you are a parent of a child under 7.

Karen Rohr inquired about the mother and infant program at the Heart River Correction Center (HRCC) in Mandan. Currently, the children born to incarcerated mothers at HRCC have been placed with family members. This board requested Cheryl Thomas from HRCC attend a future meeting to update them on the construction of the new facility and the plans for the mother/infant unit. Dennis will reach out to Cheryl to have her attend a board meeting. In May TRHSZ will be setting up a table at the HRCC Resource Fair.

Jenny Wetsch – Child Protection (Report given by Dennis Meier)

Statistical information presented during the meeting:

- 101 total reports in February: 1 Report in Grant County and 0 Reports for Sioux County.
 - 55 assigned as Full.
 - 3 ATP Assessments.
 - 43 Administratively Assessed or Administrative Referrals.
 - 0 Alt Response.
 - 0 Substance Exposed Infant (SEI).
 - 2 Child Sex Cases
 - 1 Prenatal Drug/Alcohol Cases
 - 1 Courtesy Interview Requests from other zones/2 Law Enforcement
 - 0 Conflict cases for another Zone
- Dakota Central/South Country took 4 cases in February. These cases are not reflected in our numbers.
- We are fully staffed in the CPS Unit.
- One worker will be going on maternity leave in April, and we may be able to use the response team or hire a temp.

Tracy Mertz-Foster Care/In Home

- Statistical information presented during the meeting:
- Currently we have 77 cases.
 - 63 Foster Care (counted by child)
 - 14 In-Home Cases, ICPC, Courtesy Case Management & Home Study's
 - 35 Foster Homes/PATH
 - 5 QRTP/PRTF (1 DD GH)
 - 16 Relative Care
 - 6-18+
 - 1-YCC

Child Welfare Unit Updates

- Keyona Gonzalez returned to the Foster Care Unit on March 16. Due to her having been here previously, we will be able to give her cases right away.
- Keyona will see if she can recertify to see if she can do the paternity testing she was doing for us previously through LabCorp. We are hoping that Libbie can train to do this as well if there is no cost.

Eligibility Updates

- The Ft Yates Office will be moving to the Extension Office soon after remodel.

Message from Pat Traynor

- The governor is working on a plan to bring state employees. The hope is to create greater team cohesiveness and collaboration.
- Pat Traynor and Tim Gienger were at the last EW Supervisor Meeting and shared information on returning to the office.
- It is likely state capital employees will be the first to return. For zones it will be the decision of commissioners on whether employees will continue to work from home. In TRHSZ office space will be the primary issue if it is decided to have employees return to offices.
- Jen and Mandy meet with the staff and monitor their stats. The staff come into the office at least twice a month.

Zone Director Updates

- The Directors met with the HHS EA Team
 - Addressing the EA backlog is of great importance.
 - The current information shows we are 51st in the nation when it comes to efficiency.
 - We have 11 months to get our error rate to 4.49% or lower to avoid paying a greater percentage SNAP costs. Currently our error rate is 40%.
 - We need to follow the statewide process model.
 - They will address the state budget reality.
 - The focus needs to be the common goal of Serving.
 - Need to address the caseloads, effectively process cases, decrease the number of errors and ensure families are receiving what they qualify for.
 - Identify the in-house barriers to assistance
 - Developing a task force to address role definition and program response, policy implementation and process improvements.
 - EW Supervisors met with Rebecca Askins (QC Director) and a lot of touch points on cases were addressed.
 - ND Legislative Session begins January 2027. Economic Assistance will need to have made huge progress before they meet.
 - The CFS Director position has been vacant since Corey Pederson left. The position has been filled by Chelsea Flory, BCHSZ Director, starting in the new position on April 15.
 - Jason Matthews will be assisting with the implementation of the Collaborative HHS/Zone Strategic Alignment.
 - TRHSZ Remarkable will eventually be replaced by I-pads.
 - Director's Meeting Motions:
 - 10 state holidays on call will be paid an additional \$50/day from \$100/day to \$150.
 - Increase the Zone Director dues from \$500/year to \$1,000/year which goes for training and to monitor/hire someone as a bill tracker during the legislative session.

Other:

Adjourn:

- Moved by Ken Snider, seconded by Lori Flaten to adjourn the meeting at 11:17 AM. All in favor. Motion carried.

Next Meeting April 16, 2026 – 10 AM, Mandan

Respectfully Submitted,

Jodie Leier
Fiscal Services
Three Rivers Human Service Zone

**THREE RIVERS HUMAN SERVICE ZONE
MONTHLY BILLING APPROVAL SHEET**

For Month of: April, 2026

VENDOR	AMOUNT
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Ballard, Brittany	\$ 15.23	
Friends of Morton Mandan Public Library	\$ 137.00	
Gartner, Meaghan	\$ 66.00	
ITD	\$ 231.00	
Jackson, Welder & Authers, INC.	\$ 3,638.51	
Meier, Dennis	\$ 20.25	
Morton County Sheriff's Dept	\$ 60.00	*Already processed
Morton Mandan Public Library	\$ 50.00	
Preble Medical	\$ 1,260.00	
WRT (Grant)	\$ 79.91	
WRT (Sioux)	\$ 179.72	

Credit Card (Gillette)

Credit Card (Leier)	\$ 13,122.74
WEX Card	\$ 1,350.08

Jackie Buckley	\$ 5.80	\$ 50.00
RoseMary Lawson	\$ 7.25	\$ 50.00
Lori Flaten	\$ 10.15	\$ 50.00
Heidi Peltz	\$ 71.05	\$ 50.00
John Pretty Bear	\$ 91.35	\$ 50.00
Marty Meyer	\$ 98.60	\$ 50.00
Ken Snider	\$ 87.00	\$ 50.00
Gerard Kraft	\$ 82.65	\$ 50.00
Dawson Holle	\$ 26.10	\$ 50.00
Karen Rohr	\$ 2.18	\$ 50.00
Subtotal:	\$ 20,692.57	\$ 500.00

TOTAL: \$ 21,192.57

APPROVALS:

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DIRECTOR:

Morton County

Expenditure Report with Detail Options

Fiscal Year: 2026-2026

From Date: 3/1/2026

To Date: 3/31/2026

Account Mask: ??????????

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Account Number / Description	Expended PTD	Original Budget	Amended Budget	Expended YTD	Encumbered YTD	Unexpended Bal	% Used
SOCIAL WELFARE FUND							
207.450.6101 / SALARIES	\$31,350.85	\$0.00	\$516,815.39	\$93,727.80	\$0.00	\$423,087.59	18.14%
207.450.6102 / DEFERRED COMP. BENEFIT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$59,865.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$59,865.75	0.00%
207.450.6104 / LEAVE PAYOUTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,200.00	\$30.30	\$0.00	\$3,169.70	0.95%
207.450.6110 / SERVICE AWARDS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,970.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,970.00	0.00%
207.450.6121 / PAID OVERTIME	\$90.19	\$0.00	\$1,600.00	\$420.89	\$0.00	\$1,179.11	26.31%
207.450.6209 / LIFE INSURANCE	\$11.28	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$29.74	\$0.00	(\$29.74)	0.00%
207.450.6211 / HEALTH INSURANCE	\$7,270.84	\$0.00	\$83,154.36	\$20,936.24	\$0.00	\$62,218.12	25.18%
207.450.6212 / AUTO INSURANCE	\$970.00	\$0.00	\$9,426.00	\$970.00	\$0.00	\$8,456.00	10.29%
207.450.6221 / FICA MATCH	\$2,214.00	\$0.00	\$39,536.38	\$6,647.46	\$0.00	\$32,888.92	16.81%
207.450.6241 / WORKMENS COMPENSATION	\$0.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$434.40	\$0.00	(\$434.40)	0.00%
207.450.6300 / NDPERS DEF. BENEFIT	\$4,694.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,986.41	\$0.00	(\$13,986.41)	0.00%
207.450.6322 / Background Checks	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$4,920.00	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$4,800.00	2.44%
207.450.6324 / PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$750.00	0.00%
207.450.6339 / MEMBERSHIPS & REGISTRATIONS	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$27,769.06	\$0.00	(\$26,269.06)	1851.27%
207.450.6341 / TRAVEL EXPENSE	\$538.25	\$0.00	\$3,020.06	\$599.29	\$0.00	\$2,420.77	19.84%
207.450.6342 / GAS AND OIL	\$725.39	\$0.00	\$41,500.00	\$1,334.31	\$0.00	\$40,165.69	3.22%
207.450.6344 / VEHICLE & EQUIP REPAIR & MAINTENANC	(\$4.08)	\$0.00	\$7,600.00	\$43,580.58	\$0.00	(\$35,980.58)	573.43%
207.450.6359 / POSTAGE	\$22.10	\$0.00	\$4,500.00	\$1,211.75	\$0.00	\$3,288.25	26.93%
207.450.6360 / MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS	\$2,108.31	\$0.00	\$31,900.00	\$4,514.58	\$0.00	\$27,385.42	14.15%
207.450.6363 / PUBLISHING & PRINTING	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,800.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,800.00	0.00%
207.450.6401 / OFFICE MATERIALS	\$660.70	\$0.00	\$12,700.00	\$1,037.26	\$0.00	\$11,662.74	8.17%
207.450.6412 / SUPPLIES-COMPUTER	\$65.97	\$0.00	\$5,200.00	\$191.77	\$0.00	\$5,008.23	3.69%
207.450.6651 / CAPITAL OUTLAY-EQUIPMENT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$75,800.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$75,800.00	0.00%
207.450.6906 / Keeping the Culture Alive	\$469.72	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$769.72	\$0.00	(\$769.72)	0.00%
207.450.6927 / TERMINAL COST	\$259.00	\$0.00	\$22,848.00	\$1,141.00	\$0.00	\$21,707.00	4.99%
207.450.6932 / COPIER EXPENSE	\$2,776.64	\$0.00	\$6,000.00	\$2,819.56	\$0.00	\$3,180.44	46.99%

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207.451.6101 / SALARIES	\$103,455.40	\$0.00	\$1,461,927.17	\$310,874.78	\$0.00	\$1,151,052.39	21.26%
207.451.6104 / LEAVE PAYOUTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	0.00%
207.451.6121 / OVERTIME PAY	\$324.64	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$913.18	\$0.00	\$4,086.82	18.26%
207.451.6209 / LIFE INSURANCE	\$49.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$149.65	\$0.00	(\$149.65)	0.00%
207.451.6211 / HEALTH INSURANCE	\$31,161.67	\$0.00	\$428,848.98	\$93,485.01	\$0.00	\$335,363.97	21.80%
207.451.6221 / FICA MATCH	\$7,139.12	\$0.00	\$111,837.43	\$21,442.76	\$0.00	\$90,394.67	19.17%
207.451.6300 / NDPERS DEFINED BENEFIT	\$15,725.46	\$0.00	\$208,470.81	\$47,185.33	\$0.00	\$161,285.48	22.63%
207.451.6339 / MEMBERSHIPS, REGISTRATIONS & SUBSCR	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00%
207.451.6341 / TRAVEL EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$192.63	\$0.00	\$1,007.37	16.05%
207.451.6401 / OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$40.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$158.17	\$0.00	(\$158.17)	0.00%
207.451.6927 / TERMINAL COST	\$999.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,114.80	\$0.00	(\$4,114.80)	0.00%
207.452.6101 / SALARIES	\$41,623.20	\$0.00	\$624,591.98	\$128,974.60	\$0.00	\$495,617.38	20.65%
207.452.6103 / TEMPORARY SALARIES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,046.16	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,046.16	0.00%
207.452.6104 / LEAVE PAYOUTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,800.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,800.00	0.00%
207.452.6111 / STANDBY SALARIES	\$1,550.00	\$0.00	\$14,713.45	\$3,575.00	\$0.00	\$11,138.45	24.30%
207.452.6121 / OVERTIME PAY	\$1,143.86	\$0.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,857.77	\$0.00	(\$457.77)	132.70%
207.452.6209 / LIFE INSURANCE	\$14.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$44.08	\$0.00	(\$44.08)	0.00%
207.452.6211 / HEALTH INSURANCE	\$2,628.84	\$0.00	\$70,077.18	\$8,827.95	\$0.00	\$61,249.23	12.60%
207.452.6221 / FICA MATCH	\$3,325.38	\$0.00	\$47,781.29	\$10,056.45	\$0.00	\$37,724.84	21.05%
207.452.6300 / NDPERS DEFINED BENEFIT	\$6,202.64	\$0.00	\$89,066.82	\$18,986.37	\$0.00	\$70,080.45	21.32%
207.452.6339 / MEMBERSHIPS, REGISTRATIONS & SUBSCR	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	0.00%
207.452.6341 / TRAVEL EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,900.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,900.00	0.00%
207.452.6345 / SPF TRAVEL	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$450.00	\$0.00	(\$450.00)	0.00%
207.452.6401 / OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$6.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$80.90	\$0.00	(\$80.90)	0.00%
207.452.6423 / SPF CLIENT DRUG TESTING	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	(\$1,000.00)	0.00%
207.452.6425 / SPF MEDICAL	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	0.00%
207.452.6905 / SAFETY/PERMANENCY FUNDS	\$4,151.02	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$6,162.24	\$0.00	\$3,837.76	61.62%

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207.452.6913 / HIGH RISK DAY CARE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$45,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$45,000.00	0.00%
207.452.6927 / TERMINAL COST	\$296.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,217.00	\$0.00	(\$1,217.00)	0.00%
207.453.6101 / SALARIES	\$34,681.60	\$0.00	\$472,809.36	\$102,629.20	\$0.00	\$370,180.16	21.71%
207.453.6103 / TEMPORARY SALARIES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,753.84	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,753.84	0.00%
207.453.6104 / LEAVE PAYOUTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,400.00	0.00%
207.453.6111 / STANDBY SALARIES	\$1,700.00	\$0.00	\$12,611.55	\$3,850.00	\$0.00	\$8,761.55	30.53%
207.453.6121 / OVERTIME PAY	\$133.91	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$872.05	\$0.00	\$327.95	72.67%
207.453.6209 / LIFE INSURANCE	\$12.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35.87	\$0.00	(\$35.87)	0.00%
207.453.6211 / HEALTH INSURANCE	\$5,387.98	\$0.00	\$71,754.36	\$14,215.93	\$0.00	\$57,538.43	19.81%
207.453.6221 / FICA MATCH	\$2,650.17	\$0.00	\$36,169.92	\$7,842.26	\$0.00	\$28,327.66	21.68%
207.453.6300 / NDPERS DEFINED BENEFIT	\$5,240.48	\$0.00	\$67,422.62	\$15,354.35	\$0.00	\$52,068.27	22.77%
207.453.6339 / MEMBERSHIPS, REGISTRATIONS & SUBSCR	\$480.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$480.00	\$0.00	\$1,020.00	32.00%
207.453.6341 / TRAVEL EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,500.00	0.00%
207.453.6345 / SPF TRAVEL	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$700.00	6.67%
207.453.6401 / OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$11.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$88.75	\$0.00	(\$88.75)	0.00%
207.453.6423 / SPF CLIENT DRUG TESTING	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,255.00	\$0.00	(\$1,255.00)	0.00%
207.453.6425 / SPF MEDICAL	\$540.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$540.00	\$0.00	(\$540.00)	0.00%
207.453.6905 / SAFETY/PERMANENCY FUNDS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$588.37	\$0.00	\$3,411.63	14.71%
207.453.6927 / TERMINAL COST	\$222.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$921.00	\$0.00	(\$921.00)	0.00%
207.455.6101 / SALARIES	\$10,944.27	\$0.00	\$146,237.55	\$34,062.75	\$0.00	\$112,174.80	23.29%
207.455.6104 / LEAVE PAYOUTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	0.00%
207.455.6121 / OVERTIME PAY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00	0.00%
207.455.6209 / LIFE INSURANCE	\$6.15	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$18.45	\$0.00	(\$18.45)	0.00%
207.455.6211 / HEALTH INSURANCE	\$5,648.58	\$0.00	\$73,431.54	\$16,945.74	\$0.00	\$56,485.80	23.08%
207.455.6221 / FICA MATCH	\$686.20	\$0.00	\$11,187.17	\$2,152.71	\$0.00	\$9,034.46	19.24%
207.455.6300 / NDPERS DEFINED BENEFIT	\$1,535.57	\$0.00	\$20,853.47	\$4,632.61	\$0.00	\$16,220.86	22.22%
207.455.6341 / TRAVEL EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00%

Morton County

Expenditure Report with Detail Options

Fiscal Year: 2026-2026

From Date: 3/1/2026

To Date: 3/31/2026

Account Mask: ??????????

Exclude PR encumbrance Include pre encumbrance Print accounts with zero balance

Account Number / Description	Expended PTD	Original Budget	Amended Budget	Expended YTD	Encumbered YTD	Unexpended Bal	% Used
207.455.6401 / OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$438.96	\$0.00	(\$438.96)	0.00%
207.455.6927 / TERMINAL COST	\$111.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$450.60	\$0.00	(\$450.60)	0.00%
207.456.6101 / SALARIES	\$2,960.00	\$0.00	\$42,251.23	\$17,373.86	\$0.00	\$24,877.37	41.12%
207.456.6104 / LEAVE PAYOUTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	0.00%
207.456.6121 / OVERTIME PAY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$25.01	\$0.00	\$174.99	12.51%
207.456.6209 / LIFE INSURANCE	\$2.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2.05	\$0.00	(\$2.05)	0.00%
207.456.6211 / HEALTH INSURANCE	\$876.28	\$0.00	\$11,400.00	\$3,505.12	\$0.00	\$7,894.88	30.75%
207.456.6221 / FICA MATCH	\$214.48	\$0.00	\$3,232.22	\$1,292.20	\$0.00	\$1,940.02	39.98%
207.456.6300 / NDPERS DEFINED BENEFIT	\$422.10	\$0.00	\$6,025.03	\$1,143.77	\$0.00	\$4,881.26	18.98%
207.456.6341 / TRAVEL EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$102.44	\$0.00	(\$102.44)	0.00%
207.456.6401 / OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$100.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$414.45	\$0.00	(\$414.45)	0.00%
207.457.6101 / SALARIES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,500.00	0.00%
207.457.6341 / TRAVEL EXPENSE	\$25.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$295.81	\$0.00	(\$295.81)	0.00%
207.459.6911 / EXPERT/PROFESSIONAL WITNESS FEES	\$3,222.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,130.00	\$0.00	(\$6,130.00)	0.00%
207.462.6499 / MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	\$56.22	\$0.00	\$3,500.00	\$67.12	\$0.00	\$3,432.88	1.92%
207.462.6904 / GA BURIALS	\$3,500.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	\$20,882.46	\$0.00	\$39,117.54	34.80%
Total For SOCIAL WELFARE	\$357,402.95	\$0.00	\$5,155,557.07	\$1,140,679.68	\$0.00	\$4,014,877.39	22.13%

Morton County

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Account Number / Description	Expended PTD	Original Budget	Amended Budget	Expended YTD	Encumbered YTD	Unexpended Bal	% Used
Grand Total:	\$357,402.95	\$0.00	\$5,155,557.07	\$1,140,679.68	\$0.00	\$4,014,877.39	22.13%

End of Report

There are approx. 60-100 SRST foster children from ND and SD placed in ND foster homes that I help facilitate visits F2F visits required by Federal rule and reporting back to the legal custodian, the Tribe, SD IV E and ND IV E so the visits can be logged and reported to the Feds. The Tribe has approx. 125+ foster children in care, but they won't really tell me where the children are placed. 22 of these placements are in the custody of SD and SD IV E Paid Foster Care placements in ND Foster Homes. 39 ND Tribal IV E children, and 15 are in IV E foster care placements. 76 out of home placements. The tribe also has 638 funding for foster care placements for foster kids that don't meet the IV E requirements and we don't know what that number of foster care placements.

I spend a lot of time with Medicaid issues with the foster kids Medicaid, bills not being paid, getting SD foster kids on ND Medicaid, and talking with business offices of medical facilities clearing up nonpayment issues with current foster children and children previously in care. I also provide this service for the Three Rivers Human Service Zone foster children. I have frequent contact with Joe Ashley, the Tribal IV E person for the State of SD. He tracks the SRST SD IV E children, I report visits ND HS Zones do for his IV E children, Interstate compact on the placement of children, getting SD Medicaid closed and ND Medicaid open for his SD Kids.

SFY 2026 FMAP amounts have been released. The State will send out contracts with the new amounts, to the tribes, which need to be signed and returned to the Fiscal Unit and the whole process will start again, helping the tribe submit FMAP reimbursement request, training etc. CFS has hired two Tribal Liaisons who will be assisting the tribes going forward. I have been asked to assist in some capacity. Still defining what that capacity is because the Liaison are new. I'm a little concerned that none of the tribes have not submitted a FMAP request. It really isn't my issue anymore, but I

hate to see Tribes leave easy money on the table. The money is in the 1.2 million dollars ballpark.

I have had less and less to do with the tribal liaisons. If I continued doing training with them and answered the tribes questions, tribes would never look at the liaisons as experts. I have received a couple questions from Tribes but referred them to the State Liaisons.

The Keeping the Culture Alive presenter was Jordan Gladue on Ojibway Culture and cooking March 26th and is on Ojibway culture. The next session will be on Pow wowing Singing or Arts and Crafts, whomever gets back to me first.

I have done the payment of indirect expenses for Sioux County since we went to a zone in 2020. I prepare the vouchers, submit them to the Sioux County Auditor to prepare the checks and pay the bills, about \$3200.00ish a month. These numbers are submitted to Jodie Leier for the 119 indirect cost report that are submitted to the state.

I did 6 Foster Care F2F visits for SRST and one for our zone.

My new project has been Targeted Case Management. Still working with our zone to get it up and running. Still working on getting TCM for Turtle Mountain going.

I have been helping cover visits and some transportation and other duties as assigned.

Questions.

Vincent Gillette

Vincent N. Gillette
Tribal Liaison
Three Rivers Human Service Zone

Three Rivers Human Service Zone- Economic Assistance Report

April 2026

Three Rivers Zone office information:

- **Current Openings:** *EWI open position closed 4/7/20026 – interviewing*

SNAP Program (Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program)

	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26
Total Households	1618	1604	1593	1533	1516	1533	1225	1489
Total individuals	3610	3566	3545	3396	3334	3396	2687	3822
Total benefits issued	\$625.3k	\$616.31K	\$632.4k	\$604.1K	\$581.9k	\$566.6k	\$548.4k	\$576.21k

LIHEAP Program (Low income Home Energy Assistance Program)

	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26
Total Households	57	10	223	418	799	799	819	830
Total individuals	204	36	564	979	2033	2047	2127	2175
Total Benefits issued	\$477.20	\$3,021.00	\$14.4k	\$42.0k	\$85.2k	\$64.3k	\$67.8k	\$59.6k

Child Care Assistance Program

	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26
Total Households	130	152	161	149	228	233	235	232
Total individuals	483	476	496	461	859	873	886	882
Total Benefits issued	\$247.5k	\$228.7K	\$229.8k	\$223.5K	\$205.4k	\$156.3k	\$166.7k	\$148.8k

Health Care Coverage

	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26
Total Households	4182	4286	4174	4175	4161	4146	4177	4188
Total individuals	7197	7357	7056	7026	6971	6939	6976	6977
Total Benefits	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)

	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26
Total Households	124	83	90	78	85	87	90	89
Total individuals	509	211	225	184	351	367	395	395
Total Benefits issued	\$51.8k	\$62.9K	\$58.8k	\$52k	\$51.4k	\$52.6k	\$54.9k	\$57.0k

Call Center Stats:

	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26
Total calls received	22,866	25,302	26,042	18,368	27120	30,192	27,361	
Answered calls	17,921	17,884	17,431	14,753	16314	15,869	14,898	
Abandoned calls	4,034	6,253	7,371	2,933	9292	12,463	10,686	
Average wait time	5 Min.	8 Min.	10 Min	5 Min	13 Min	17 Min	17 Min	
Average talktime	5 Min.	9 Min.	9 Min	9 Min	9 Min	9 Min	10 Min	

Front Desk Walk in Traffic per County office for Economic Assistance:

	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26
Sioux County	206	215	209	143	168	222	206	227
Grant County	24	25	43	27	39	34	39	38
Morton County	328	298	337	324	324	347	347	356
Walk in staff assisted								83

HRCC outreach stats:

	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26
# of staff attended	4	2	5	1	0	3	3	4
# of inmates seen	8	3	17	2	0	14	15	9
# of MA apps completed	4	1	9	1	0	8	10	5
# of change reports	4	1	9	1	0	8	5	4
# of SNAP apps completed	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

Swim lane information:

- *Group 1*
 - Backlog: 2,511 work items (data as of 4/8/2026)
 - Medicaid work requirements expected to start January 1st, 2027
 - New Medicaid policy manual expected to be released June 2027
 - Down 1 EW
- *Group 2/3*
 - Backlog: 8,665 work items (data as of 4/8/2026) 3 weeks behind on applications & reviews
 - Currently training 6 new EWS – with new one joining early May
 - Expedite team started March 23rd
 - Error proofing paused
- *Group 4*
 - Backlog: 385 work items (data as of 4/8/2026)
 - TANF monthly reports ended April 1st, 2026
 - CCAP- effective April 1st minimum attendance will be required to ensure payments better reflect the use of childcare services

Support Specialist (Statewide):

- No changes or backlog

Call Center (CSC):

- On demand team paused

THREE RIVERS HUMAN SERVICE ZONE Child Protection Reports Mar 1 to Mar 31st

-Of the 106 total reports in Mar, 45 Administratively Assessed (AA)/Administrative Referrals (AR), and 4 Assessment Terminated in Progress (ATP).

Grant County- 1 full/ATP

Sioux County- 0 full/ATP

* Total number of Substance Exposed Infant (SEI) cases- 3

* Total number of Child Sexual Behavior (CSB) cases- 3

*Total number of Prenatal Exposure (drugs/alcohol)- 1

*Total number of courtesy interview requests- 1 from another zone, 1 LE assist

* Conflict cases for another Zone- 0

Beginning Mar caseload-

Opened/Closed- Mar 1- Mar 31st-

CPS Supervisor (JW)- 6

Opened-3, Closed-5, End-4 (*0 combine)

CPS Worker (KO)- 12

Opened-7, Closed- 6, End-13 (*3 new reports received on open cases)

CPS Worker (MG)- 22

Opened-1, Closed-7, End-16 (*9 new reports received on open cases)

CPS Worker (TB)- 15

Opened-8, Closed- 5, End- 18 (*6 combined report)

CPS Worker (MV)- 7

Opened-9, Closed -9, End- 7 (*2 combined reports)

CPS Worker (AG)- 8

Opened-8, Closed-10, End-6 (*2 combined report)

Parent Aide Caseload

BB-	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
	12	14	14	16	10	13	14	14	14	11	12	12	12

BS-	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
	14	12	5 (May13 vacated)		6	9	9	11	10	10	10	11	12

TOTAL 960 REPORTS FOR ZONE	(includes combines)			
	2023	2024	2025	2026
JANUARY	90	83	69	84
FEBRUARY	83	101	85	101
MARCH	95	114	108	106
APRIL	86	93	88	
MAY	76	80	100	
JUNE	68	66	86	
JULY	70	68	90	
AUGUST	98	67	77	
SEPTEMBER	108	81	93	
OCTOBER	82	84	90	
NOVEMBER	89	89	94	
DECEMBER	69	97	81	
YEAR TOTAL	1014	1023	1061	291

ASSIGNED 960'S	(includes combines)			
	2023	2024	2025	2026
JANUARY	53	48	39	34
FEBRUARY	43	60	48	58
MARCH	56	86	77	61
APRIL	53	63	55	
MAY	44	48	62	
JUNE	36	36	50	
JULY	44	44	50	
AUGUST	55	45	48	
SEPTEMBER	62	52	64	
OCTOBER	44	55	52	
NOVEMBER	57	63	43	
DECEMBER	32	60	47	
YEAR TOTAL	579	660	635	153

**TRHSZ FOSTER CARE / IN-HOME
CASE LOADS MARCH 2026**

CASE LOAD TOTALS = 79

63 - Foster Care – (counted by child)

36 - foster homes/PATH 6 - QRTP/PRTF (1 DD GH) 14 - relative Care 6 - 18+ 1 - YCC

16 - In-Home, ICPC, Courtesy Case Management & Home Studies

2026	Opened	Closed
January	11	4
February	3	6
March	4	2

2025	Opened	Closed
December	8	4
November	1	5
October	6	9

2026-TRHSZ

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
80	77	79									

2025- TRHSZ

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
80	80	70	66	64	67	72	76	75	72	69	73

2024-TRHSZ

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
71	74	73	77	76	77	76	71	74	75	76	78

	<u>2025</u>			<u>2026</u>		
MG	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Foster Care	0	0	0	3	4	4
In-Home	0	0	2	3	4	5
Total	0	0	2	6	8	9
AG	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Foster Care	6	6	7	3	1	1
In-Home	4	2	2	1	0	0
Total	10	8	9	4	1	1
WI	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Foster Care	11	11	11	18	17	15
In-Home	4	3	3	1	0	1
Total:	15	14	14	19	17	16
TS	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Foster Care	14	14	13	12	13	13
In-Home	0	0	0	1	1	1
Total	14	14	13	13	14	14
LS	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Foster Care	7	7	8	8	8	8
In-Home	5	5	4	6	5	5
Total	12	12	12	14	13	13
EV	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Foster Care	10	10	10	8	8	8
In-Home	1	1	1	3	3	2
Total:	11	11	11	11	11	10
BW	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March
Foster Care	9	9	11	11	12	13
In-Home	1	1	1	2	1	2
Total	10	10	12	13	13	15
KG	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March
Foster Care	0	0	0	0	0	1
In-Home	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	1