

Cherokee Council House
Cherokee, North Carolina

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Date

ORDINANCE NO. 333 (2018)

WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) continues to strive for a healthy, safe and prosperous population through community partnership and tribal government services; and

WHEREAS, historically many government services were previously implemented under the direction and policy goals of the state or federal government; and

WHEREAS, now many of the same government services are provided under the direction and policy goals of the Tribe and therefore the Tribe is responsible for ensuring that services are effective and targeted for the specific outcomes necessary for meeting community wide goals of safety, health, education, cultural enrichment and prosperity for all tribal members within our population; and

WHEREAS, an evidence-based methodology for achieving measurable advancement of these community wide goals is needed for focused data driven internal reviews, regular reporting of outcomes of government programs and budgeting decisions based on areas of priority and effective services that are proven to achieve the results that lend to our population's right to be safe, healthy, educated, culturally enriched and prosperous.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians assembled, at which a quorum is present that the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians does hereby amend the Cherokee Code as follows:

Chapter 117B – Results-Based Accountability

Article I. - PURPOSE

Sec. 117B-1. - Population-Level Outcomes.

It is necessary for the tribal government to use data to monitor five basic community or population results that Tribal Council through its policy making, funding and community partnerships seeks to achieve for the tribal population. The five population goals shall be regularly monitored and include population safety, health, education, cultural enrichment and prosperity. Data informed reviews of how well the tribal population is doing as it concerns these

1 foundational population-level outcomes will assist the Tribal Council in determining how best to
2 prioritize and invest tribal dollars.
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5 **Sec. 117B-2. - Budgets.**
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7 Tribal Council will evaluate the effectiveness of tribally funded strategies that lend to the
8 achievement of the five population results for the tribal community. Indicators for the
9 population goals will be used to inform and help focus budget priorities for the Tribal Council.
10 Monitoring indicators of the population goals will help Tribal Council and the community be
11 more strategic, and responsive to meeting immediate needs, while focusing on the long term and
12 achieving the population results.
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14 **Sec. 117B-3. - Data-Based Information.**
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16 Using the data-based information provided in this law will encourage tribal government
17 to continue to move steadily toward results-based accountability and will help educate the tribal
18 population on the areas that indicate how well the community is rating in terms of population
19 safety, health, education, cultural enrichment and prosperity. Outcome or results-based
20 government accountability as a methodology for monitoring and tracking population indicators
21 influenced by government program performance measures shall be incorporated into all
22 reporting, review and decisions made by the Tribal Council, the Executive Branch and the
23 Judicial Branch.
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26 **Article II. - ANNUAL REPORT ON POPULATION-LEVEL OUTCOMES USING**
27 **INDICATORS**
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29 **Sec. 117B-4. - Report.**
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31 Annually, on or before July 30, the Secretaries within the Executive Branch and the Chief
32 Justice of the Judicial Branch shall report to the Tribal Council on the Tribe's progress in
33 reaching program or agency goals for performance and the Tribal Council shall inform the public
34 about the community's progress in achieving the population-level results that are essential for
35 each Cherokee member's quality of life.
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38 **Sec. 117B-5. Coordinated Multi-System Population-Level Indicators and Program Level**
39 **Performance Measures.**
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41 The Tribal Council will collaborate with the Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority, the
42 Cherokee Central School system, the Executive Branch and the Judicial Branch every five years
43 beginning October 1, 2019 to identify specific population-level indicators for each of the five
44 basic population results essential for a thriving community. These indicators will assist in
45 prioritizing and budgeting for program level strategies and services for which the performance of
46 these strategies and services shall be regularly monitored by each service provider program or
47 entity on a quarterly basis.

1 BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED that this ordinance shall be effective upon ratification by the
2 Principal Chief and any prior or part thereof that conflicts with this ordinance is
3 rescinded.
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6 *Submitted by: Anita Lossiah, Policy Analyst*
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