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Dear Federal Communications Commission,

The Department of Social Services fully supports the CATV47 Station for many reasons, but one of the most prominent reason is that this station provides beneficial information about prevention within' the Native American population. Native Americans suffer from many social issues that include, but are not limited to diabetes, obesity, substance abuse, domestic violence, child abuse/neglect, poverty, incarceration, and lack of support systems. This station is able to provide education about each social issue, host speakers to provide ways to prevent these social issues, and provide resources available to help if any individual/family is facing these types of hardships. CATV47 also presents topics in a way that is culturally appropriate.

The Food Distribution Program is one of the programs within' the Department of Social Services, which this program provides USDA foods to families that are Native American, meet the financial guidelines, and live within' the Cheyenne and Arapaho service area. With the Food Distribution Program, there are plans for the station to air topics in how to eat in a healthy way while utilizing USDA Foods. By airing this specific topic, this will provide valuable information for individuals that are diabetic and/or individuals that are current at-risk for diabetes, in order to educate individuals how to eat in a healthy way when cooking with commodity foods. Also, this will teach families ways to provide healthy foods to their children and grandchildren, in order to focus on prevention of obesity, diabetes, and other health issues. With this program, this is just one example how the station is such an asset to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribe and the Native community.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (405) 422-7877. Thank you.

Respectfully,

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