

Cielo Gibson



Cielo Gibson specialized in working with troubled housing authorities as an Executive Director and a consultant. She brings a wealth of experience in a variety of areas, spanning 39 years of direct experience with Indian tribes and TDHEs. Recently, she developed and managed various eco-friendly housing subdivision developments in Indian Country, including a straw bale multifamily project in Plummer, Idaho.

Ms. Gibson has extensive experience in group facilitation, research, training, and comprehensive planning designed to implement more integrated strategies to meet community development needs. She has conducted extensive surveys and evaluations to assess housing and community development, law enforcement service needs, creditworthiness, and management capacity. Ms. Gibson directed the development and implementation of organizational policies and procedures for housing entities, minority businesses, a mortgage finance entity, tribal governments, and tribal organizations. As a consultant to and an employee of numerous HUD and BIA supported organizations, she recruited and hired, trained, and supervised management and support staff for community development programs.

As an experienced trainer and facilitator, Ms. Gibson conducts regional and national trainings for HUD. She has also successfully implemented IHA financing and the Section 184 Loan Guarantee Program with various banks. Ms. Gibson has devoted a major portion of her time to developing housing counseling and homebuyer education programs for Native communities. Her work has resulted in the development of various curricula on housing counseling, management, development, and leveraging. Ms. Gibson is the primary author of the Pathways Home curriculum.