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## Unleashing New Possibilities: 2024 Native Housing Summit to Transform Housing Horizons

*New Funding and Innovative Solutions Highlighted at Denver Summit*

DENVER, CO. July 30, 2024 – As the housing crisis continues to impact Native American communities, the [2024 Native Housing Summit](#), hosted by [Kanso Software](#), aims to turn the tide by exploring opportunities for innovation and enhancement. Taking place on July 30-31 at Coors Field, this Summit brings together over 141 leaders from 21 states, representing 53 housing organizations, all united under the theme "Possibilities."

The increase in Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) funding to \$1.1 billion sets the stage for transformative discussions and actions previously deemed impossible. Christina Carlson, MSW, CEO of Urban Peak and our keynote speaker, will share her groundbreaking work in addressing youth homelessness and discuss new opportunities for Native American housing authorities. Since joining Urban Peak in 2017, Christina has expanded the organization's reach by over 350%, developing the state-of-the-art "Mothership" shelter. Her expertise in sustainable housing and support services uniquely positions her to speak on the exciting possibilities for Native American housing authorities.

The Summit will feature training sessions on occupancy management, supportive housing needs, and maintenance using the new Kanso mobile inspection app. Discussions on Kanso's accounting process will ensure clear grant tracking and reporting, while sessions on emerging HUD compliance issues will address new regulatory challenges and technology adoption. Panel discussions will further enhance the collaborative spirit of the Summit, providing attendees with valuable opportunities to connect and share insights.

Doug Chapiewsky, CEO of Kanso Software, emphasized the Summit's importance: "The increased funding opens up numerous opportunities to innovate and enhance Tribal housing. We are committed to transforming possibilities into realities for Native American communities."



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Joe Diehl, CEO of Diehl & Co. and a passionate sponsor of the Summit, highlighted the collaborative spirit of the event: "This Summit continues to be a landmark event for Native American housing professionals. It provides a platform for sharing knowledge, creating long-lasting solutions, and inspiring real change in our communities."

Our Hall of Fame Sponsors, **RTHawk Housing Alliance** and **Sage Intacct** play a crucial role in supporting these initiatives. **RTHawk Housing Alliance**, a Native American-owned, Tribally chartered consulting firm, offers invaluable expertise in affordable housing and asset management services. With over 60 years of combined experience in LIHTC, housing, and Tribal Government, they are key partners in our mission to explore new possibilities. Similarly, **Sage Intacct** simplifies payroll, H.R., and finance management for businesses. Trusted for its ease of use, Sage Intacct offers solutions designed to enhance business confidence and efficiency.

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**About Kanso Software:** Founded in 1991, Denver-based Kanso Software developed the first modern SaaS application to manage the complexities of subsidized housing and homelessness. More than 250 Native American tribes and 270 U.S. public housing authorities use Kanso Software to manage their operations, including occupancy, finance reporting, maintenance, and business intelligence. In 2023, Kanso was awarded an Early-Stage Capital and Retention Grant by Colorado's Global Business Development division of the Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT).

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