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TO PROVIDE WINTER WARMTH ON PINE RIDGE RESERVATION

Denise Red Owl, Director, Office of Energy for the Oglala Sioux Tribe (OST), oversees the Low Income Heating and Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), which provides funds for gas or propane, electricity for people on the Pine Ridge Reservation. On October 22, 2009 Red Owl accepted a donation of \$100,000 for LIHEAP from the Black Hills Area Community Foundation, which was recommended by an anonymous donor, to help keep people warm during this upcoming winter season.

The OST Office of Energy also helps with weatherization for homes and is willing to accept donations of home appliances. To make a donation, contact Red Owl at 605.867.5169. Additional monetary donations for LIHEAP are welcome and can be given to Black Hills Area Community Foundation for this program.

BHACF was created by and for the people in the Black Hills area to inspire people to invest as a community to enhance the future prosperity and quality of life of the people throughout the Black Hills area. Through its tax-exempt charitable status, it enables people with philanthropic interests to easily and effectively support the issues they care about and programs that improve the quality of life in the Black Hills. Such participation can occur immediately or over time through estate planning. For more information on BHACF, contact Regina Jahr, Executive Director at 605.718.0112 or visit our website: www.bhacf.org.

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