

# Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama



CSBG Grant Program

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## -History-

- Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama (MCLCITA) are the descendants of the "Creek Confederacy".
- The 1832 Removal of Creeks through the Indian Removal Act, separated families
- Descendants of leaders whose names are spoken of in the highest honor.

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## -History/Past Leaders-

- **Brims** was the first of Lower Creek leaders during the eighteenth century and set the standard for their diplomatic policy of neutrality.
- **Malachi** was the prominent chief and warrior of the town of Coweta of the Lower Creek Indians.
- **Old Alabama King** led a group of Warriors from Horseshoe Bend, Tallapoosa County, Alabama to Yellow River (Okaloosa County, Florida and Covington County, Alabama).
- **Chief Pennie Wright** the first female Chief. Under her leadership, the [Inter-Tribal Council of Alabama](#) was created, which obtain the Workforce Investment Act Grant for the Alabama Tribes

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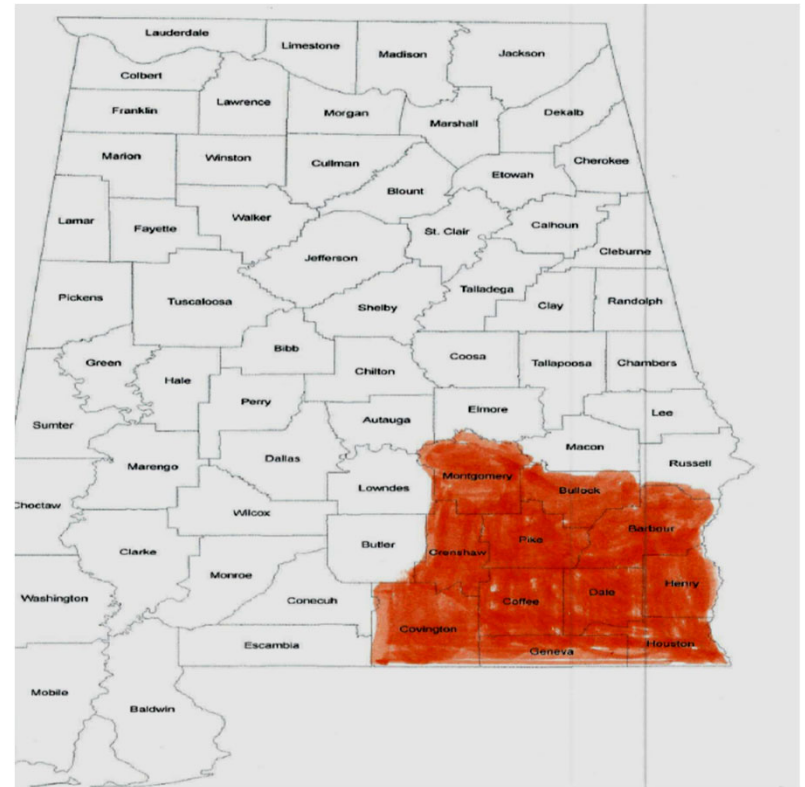
## -State Recognition-

In 1985, after almost 140 years, we were recognized by the State of Alabama as Native Americans.



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- Located in Elba, Alabama.
- Governed by a Chief and Tribal Council.
- Serve the following Alabama counties : Coffee, Covington, Geneva, Houston, Henry, Dale, Pike, Barbour, Bullock, Montgomery, and Crenshaw.
- The MCLCITA goal is to build a better Tribe through various grants, incentives, and programs aimed at tribal community development while maintaining tribal cultural identity.



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## -CSBG Program-

- Offer a wide variety of services. CSBG core services offered include
  - Nutrition
  - Education
  - Emergency Assistance
  - Housing
  - Health Care
  - Service Linkages
  - Self-sufficiency

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## -CSBG Program/Nutrition-

- Provide food boxes, prepared and distributed according to the dietary needs of the clients.
- Over 80% are clients with chronic health conditions requires dietary restrictions.
- Served 35 clients.



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## -CSBG Program/Nutrition/Gardens-

- Fresh vegetables distributed from the community garden at no cost to the clients.
- Community garden consists of seasonal fresh vegetables, herbs, fruits such as blackberries, strawberries.





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## -CSBG Program/Employment-

- Various services to provide workforce development in the community.
  - 10 were referred to Alabama Intertribal Council for Job training.
  - 3 were hired by local employers after receiving job counseling and training.
  - 1 is seeking a B. S. Degree in Nursing.

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## -CSBG Program/Education & Healthcare-

- Educational & healthcare services are provided to children and adults.
  - Anti-drug education classes to 10 adults and 10 children.
  - Health classes regarding proper immunizations, family planning, prevention of foodborne illnesses, and water safety reports provided by local water boards.
  - Budgeting classes to 10 families and 8 children.
  - One individual received a scholarship through Alabama Indian Affairs Commission.
  - School supplies were purchased for 10 children which included both semesters (fall and spring).

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## -CSBG Program/Housing & Emergency Assistance-

- Housing and emergency assistance is provided directly and through referrals.
  - An Elderly single female referred to USDA for a Low-income loan to make major home repairs.
  - Assisted 3 homeless people with temporary shelter before the expected landfall of hurricane Irma.
  - Provided emergency supplies to 8 elderly & 2 families.
  - Connected 1 client to the Social Service Administration to restart Social Security.

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## -CSBG Program/Service Linkages-

- Stay connected to local and state organizations/agencies to ensure the clients have the services they need.
  - Alabama Public Health Department
  - Alabama Department of Human Resource
  - Alabama Intertribal Council
  - Alabama Teen Challenge
  - Coffee County Baptist Association
  - Coffee County Family Center
  - Coffee County Community Action Agency Enterprise Office
  - USDA

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**Thank you!**