

The Indian Health Service awarded a Native American-owned builder \$2,481,325.25 for staff homes in Arizona

A small Native American-owned builder got \$2,481,325.25 from the Indian Health Service to build staff homes in Parker, Arizona.

The company is Pimmex Contracting Corp. The Indian Health Service is part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Its engineering office in Seattle signed the contract on April 3, 2025. The job is the Parker Duplex Quarters. These are new duplex homes for health staff.

The first price was \$2,415,490. Then the agency paid for five small changes. They covered more work, like sidewalk removal, signs, and decomposed granite. That brought the total to \$2,481,325.25. So far, \$2,217,865.96 has been paid out.

The job ran late. The agency pushed the finish date five times. The last change, on Sept. 30, 2026, set the finish date at Sept. 25, 2026. Most of that extra time cost nothing more.

Six companies sent in offers. Only Indian-owned small firms could bid. Pimmex won. It is listed as a small business that is American Indian owned.

No subcontracting plan was required. That does not mean the builder did it all alone. New homes need lumber, concrete, roofing, windows, doors, plumbing, wiring, paint, and landscape rock.

What a supplier could still ask:

- Ask Pimmex if any punch-list or warranty work is still open. - Ask what trades and suppliers it used, and how it picks them next time. - Ask the Indian Health Service engineering office in Seattle what staff housing or clinic jobs are coming next. - Six offers came in on this one. Small Indian-owned firms can win these. Get on the list for the next one.

The money is mostly spent on this job. The next job is where a supplier can still get in.

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