



## Priority of Shiprock Associated Schools, Inc.

Shiprock Associated Schools, Inc. (SASI) is considered a hidden gem of Shiprock, located behind the Northern Navajo Medical Center in Shiprock, NM. SASI's provides Pre-K to 12<sup>th</sup> grade education at the FACE Program, Atsa Biyaazh Community School, and at Northwest Middle/High School. The school also has a residential program under construction that provides housing for grades 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. In providing this education, SASI is challenged with the lack of providing employee-housing opportunities to any of our staff members. This continues to be an impact because it hinders the living arrangements for our employees.

We are advocating for funding to help us obtain 30 Employee Housing opportunities for our employees of Shiprock Associated Schools, Inc. Currently, all of our employees have to travel from the surrounding communities of Farmington, Cortez, Gallup, Crystal and other remote locations from the Navajo Nation that maybe more than 50 miles one way. Cost of living is always a factor that our employees face when they have to rent from one of the nearby towns, plus the cost of gas and travel distant for some. This often plays a factor in why we lose employees because of this high cost of living and the lack of employee housing. We are seeking support in having funds provided to allow SASI the opportunity to providing employee housing on our campus.

## Estimated Cost for Employee Housing for S.A.S.I.

Housing Request Amount	Price Per SQ Foot	Size of House	Total Amount
10	\$550.00	1500 SQ Feet	\$250,000.00
15	\$550.00	1900 SQ Feet	\$15,675,000.00
30	\$550.00	2000 SQ Feet	\$33,000,000.00



Our Strategic Plans are organized around the following seven areas:

1. *District Focus Areas and Strategic Goals*
2. *Equity in Education*
3. *Enrollment and Demographics*
4. *Academic Achievement*
5. *Behavior and Social Emotional Learning*
6. *Stakeholder Perceptions*
7. *Staffing and Operations*



### School Mission

Providing real world application to the “Raising Generation” by implementing College and Career Readiness captivated by traditional Dine Norms and Values.

### School Vision

Instilling the importance and creating space needed for Nitsahakees. Providing the tools and foundation for Nahat’a. Educating how to protect and maintain the knowledge gained from Iina, and cultivating the strength and stability of Siihasin.



## **SASI's School's Values**

- We exist for our students
- We value language, culture, self and understanding
- We are an institution that is judgement free zone.
- We value and push for academic excellence at all levels in our district.
- We support an environment that has a “love of learning”.
- We value our students, staff and community.
- How we will get there is there through “team work”
- What we do is follow/adhere to our strategic plan, follow it, and be consistent.
- We are prepared to stand up for our students and put them first in every decision we make.