

News Release

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QUAPAW CASINO, TRIBE DONATE \$25,000 FOR TORNADO RELIEF

(May 19, 2008) – The Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma has given \$25,000 toward relief for victims of last week's devastating tornadoes that hit the area.

Quapaw Casino in Miami is spending \$20,000 in a direct relief effort. General Manager Kirk Myrick is visiting with local authorities to find out what should be purchased to be most useful in helping families that were affected by the storms. And the Quapaw Tribe Business Committee gave another \$5,000 to the Red Cross for tornado relief in Ottawa County and the surrounding area.

"We are part of these communities, and our communities got hurt, so we felt very strongly that we should pitch in and help the people who lost their homes, property, and people who are dealing with the loss of loved ones and friends who died in this tragedy," said Tamara Summerfield, Secretary/Treasurer of the Quapaw Tribe Business Committee.

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