



## Manager Highlight

**JASON WILSON**

**Manager  
Public Safety**



Jason is Eagle/Killer Whale. He is the son of John and Sue Wilson and the oldest of five siblings. He was raised in Juneau, graduated from Juneau-Douglas High School, and attended the University of New Mexico.

Jason first joined Central Council of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Central Council) in 2002 as a youth advocate where he provided case management to youth referred by the State of Alaska's Division of Juvenile Justice and Office of Children's Services. He later served as a family caseworker and supervisor for the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) program and a criminal justice specialist for the Tribe's Children's Justice Act Initiative. In 2009, he was promoted to Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) program coordinator and then to manager of the Public Safety department in 2011. As Public Safety manager, Jason oversees the Second Chance Prisoner Re-entry and VPSO programs.

Prior to joining the Central Council, Jason also worked eight years as a youth counselor for Johnson Youth Services where he developed individual treatment plans and facilitated youth groups. In the Juneau community, Jason has served as the head swim coach for Thunder Mountain High School (TMHS) for the past six years as well as the assistant coach for the TMHS softball team.

### **Past Accomplishments:**

- Increased VPSOs from three (3) to eleven (11) positions in Southeast Alaska communities since 2009.
- Awarded a Department of Justice (DOJ) Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) grant to purchase nine (9) patrol vehicles for VPSO program.
- Awarded a three-year Department of Justice grant for Second Chance Prisoner Re-entry program.

### **Future Initiatives:**

- Assist in developing and implementing proper policies, procedures, and protections to arm VPSOs.
- Secure funding to continue the Second Chance Prisoner Re-entry program to serve all of Southeast Alaska.
- Secure funding to develop a youth leadership program that works with Alaska's juvenile justice and foster care systems.

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