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# Hopi Tribe Faces Stark Realities of COVID-19 The Hopi Tribal Government Programs and Offices Experience Safety Breach

#### Office of the Chairman - Hopi Tribe

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. – October 26, 2020 a member of the Hopi Tribal Chairman's office staff tested positive for COVID-19 this week and current coronavirus protocols were implemented. Contact tracing has begun and close contacts have been identified. The staff member had not interacted with other members outside of the community or with other staff that routinely interacts with Chairman Timothy Nuvangyaoma, except with the Chief of Staff and a limited amount of employees.

The Hopi Tribe's Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Director and the Public Health Authority were contacted immediately, in the early hours on Monday morning, with initial steps and protocols for response were put into motion. DHHS will move forward with investigating on campus, and specifically identified offices in the Legislative building will go through a thorough disinfecting and sanitization process. The facilities will be closed to employees for the next 48 hours. Hopi Chairman Nuvangyaoma and his Chief of Staff have already been tested and the initial viral swab tests have returned negative results for COVID-19.

"This is a good reminder for us all to remain vigilant and to follow all the guidelines we have been sharing throughout the pandemic," says Chairman Nuvangyaoma. "It's always a scary experience to know this virus is always knocking at our doorstep, but we have to know that every single one of us is susceptible especially when we lower our guards." Separately, on recent occasions other Hopi Tribal government employees who work in a space shared with some staff from the administration building also tested positive for COVID-19, however, none of the individuals interacted directly with the Chairman or his close staff, the office said. The same way all employees were contacted, tested and provided with guidelines during that instance, all employees in close proximity to the Chairman's office will be in quarantine and self-monitoring.

These recent situations, and other instances similar to this occasion, are stark reminders of the realities we are all facing on the Hopi reservation. In epidemiology, a susceptible individual is a member of a population who is at risk of becoming infected by coronavirus or any disease impacting our vulnerable population. A large portion of the Hopi population experiences underlying conditions that causes individuals to become more susceptible to COVID-19.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has offered recommendations to help tribal communities, elders, and tribal leaders decide how best to keep their communities safe and work to prevent the spread of COVID-19 at the workplace, out in public, during cultural events and activities. For Hopi tribal leadership and the public health experts, there is nothing more important than the overall health and safety of the community.

It is very important for Hopi Tribal government employees, local businesses and vendors engaging with the public to take steps to protect any and all Hopi community members from getting sick. This is especially true for Hopi community members who may be part of the vulnerable population and at higher risk such as tribal elders and people with underlying medical conditions. COVID-19 does not pick and choose who will contract the virus. If your household includes one or more people who are at higher risk then all family members should act as if they, themselves, are at higher risk.

Any actions that compromises the overall health and safety of the community affects multiple generations – especially now when many family members live in a single household and within tight living quarters. Consequently, people who live in multi-generational tribal households may find it difficult to take precautions to protect themselves from COVID-19 or isolate those who are sick.

"Just as everyone in a Hopi household should take steps to stay healthy and protect each other from getting sick, every participant in a Hopi ceremony or social gathering should take precautions to stay healthy and protect others from getting sick," added Royce Jenkins, Director of DHHS and the Hopi Tribe's Public Health Authority. "This is all just another reminder of how easily transmittable this disease is on multiple levels and how it plays a part in community spread. We all have to remain vigilant."

For questions or more information, please call the Hopi Tribe Department of Health & Human Services (928) 734-3402.

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# **Coronavirus Relief Fund Application Deadlines**

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

KYKOTSMOVI, ARIZ. - November 3, 2020 A number of project champions have asked what the deadline is to apply for assistance from the various Hopi Tribe Coronavirus Relief Fund ("CRF") Programs in which they are seeking federal funds. Rumor has it that the deadline was October 30, 2020, but the Committee never established an official deadline. There are two paths that applicants may follow and different considerations for each.

#### **Applicants Seeking Advances**

The recommended approach is to work backward from the deadline for project completion. Recipients and subrecipients are advised to enter into contracts with providers of goods or services that require delivery of goods or performance of services such that the project will be placed into service by December 30, 2020. As a practical matter, it should be sufficient that the project is substantially complete, as long as it is placed into service. Punch list items can be addressed in January 2021, again provided that the project is substantially placed into service by December 30, 2020.

The Committee, the Tribal Treasurer and Office of Financial Management are working together to process successful applications as quickly as possible but there are several steps and a number of documents to be completed along the way. Applicants are advised to allow two to three weeks after applying for funds to be released.

What does this all add up to? The Committee is now setting a deadline of Friday, November 6, 2020 for applications that are seeking advances of funds. All applications received by that date will be reviewed and action taken. Applications received after that date will be accepted but may or may not be reviewed on a case by case basis.

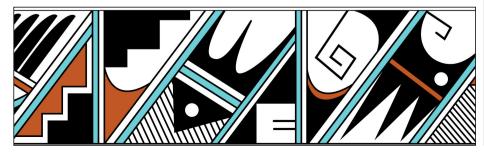
One other note: the subrecipient agreement must be fully executed before an applicant can receive an advance of funds. Some subrecipients have already received advances without an agreement in place but the Committee has instructed the Treasurer not to release additional funds until the subrecipient agreement is fully executed.

#### Cost Reimbursement

Some applicants have the resources to initiate projects or procurement actions using other resources and seek reimbursement from the Fund. This approach has the benefit of streamlining the process but carries the risk that the Committee will disallow costs of new projects as not eligible from the Fund. When seeking reimbursement for a project that was already approved the subrecipient should provide documents that tie the reimbursement request to the previously approved application.

All goods or services must be received and projects must be placed into service by December 30, 2020 as stated above, but the applicant can pay the related invoices in January 2021 and apply for reimbursement. The Committee will accept applications for reimbursement through January 30, 2021.

Please note that applicants must use the appropriate application form and provide the required supporting documents for their applications to be considered.



## Hopi Tribal Council Fourth Quarter Session September 1, 2020 Agenda Month of November - Proposed

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1.Action Item #026-2020 – To approve the Charter of Incorporation for the Tawa'ovi Community Development Corporation to establish a federally chartered corporation – Author/Andrew Gashwazra, Director, Office of Community Planning & Economic Development – TABLED

2.Action Item #061-2020 – To approve the settlement agreement in the Hopi Tribe v. United States of America, No. 06-0941 (Fed. Ct of Claims) – Author/Fred Lomayesva, General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel - TABLED

NEW BUSINESS

1.Action Item #082-2020 – To approve the appointment of Judge Justin Richland as Hopi Appellate Court Justice – Author/Timothy L. Nuvangyaoma, Chairman, The Hopi Tribe

2.Action Item #083-2020 – To approve the Hopi Project Namitunatya information to be included in a new publication on improving indigenous peoples health – Author/ Dana Russell, Manager, Hopi Cancer Support Services

3.Action Item #084-2020 – To clarify the duties and authorities of the Law and Order Committee – Author/Clifford B. Qotsaquahu, Vice Chairman, Law and Order Committee

4.Action Item #085-2020 – To approve and accept \$279,601.00 from the Office of Justice Programs for the SMART FY 2020 Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant Program – Author/Virgil Pinto, Chief, Hopi Law Enforcement Services

5.Action Item #086-2020 – To approve the ICWA Attorney Contract with Brian Webb – Author/Norma Sekayumptewa, Acting Supervisor, Social Services Department

6.Action Item #087-2020 – To authorize Hopi's Tribally Controlled Schools to request waivers of certain federal regulatory and reporting requirements for the school year 2020-2021 – Author/Alban Naha, Interim Superintendent, Hopi Junior Senior High School

7.Action Item #088-2020 – To approve and authorize land access and use, consistent with previously approved HAMP design, planning and surveys, for construction and operation of the HAMP water system and powerline – Author/ Carroll Onsae, General Manager, Hopi Utilities Corporation

8.Discussion – Seawall Properties Foreclosure – Wilfred Gaseoma, Chairman, Hopi Investment Committee - \*\*Time Certain – November 2, 2020 @ 1:00 p.m.

9.Budget Oversight Team's collective recommendations for the FY 2021 Budget – Clark W. Tenakhongva, Vice Chairman, The Hopi Tribe/Chairman, Budget Oversight Team - \*\*Time Certain – November 3, 2020 – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

10.Presentation re: Approval of Quarters to be built on the current Indian Health Service Hopi Health Care Center (HHCC) leasehold to house HHCC staff – Scott Fillerup, PE, MBA, CEM, CHFM, Commander, US Public Health Service \*\*Time Certain – November 3, 2020 @ 1:00 p.m.

11.BIA FY 2023 Tribal Budget Formulation by Gerald Calnimptewa, Tribal Operations Officer, Office of Tribal Operations – Dwayne Secakuku, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Bacavi

12.Discussion – Mine Reclamation on Black Mesa and Kayenta Mines by Benjamin Nuvamsa – Merwin Kooyahoema, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Mishongnovi

13.Discussion – Vehicle Insurance purchased through the Hopi Tribe by Mildred Talashoma, Board Chair, Village of Walpi – Dale Sinquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages

14.Discussion/Possible Action to approve announcement of vacancies on the Hopi Tribal Housing Authority Board of Commissioners – Albert T. Sinquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages

## **Future Hopi Culture Will Depend on Reliable Clean Water** *The Hopi Tribe Clarifies the Importance of Access to Healthy Water for Future Generations*

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Submitted by: Water & Energy Committee – Hopi Tribe

Phoenix, Ariz. – November 02, 2020, the Hopi villages and communities will need access to healthy, clean, reliable water for all future generations. As we move into the eighth week of the second phase of the Little Colorado (LCR) Adjudication trials, the Hopi Tribe continues with showcasing how the culture, economic development and future planning of Hopi livelihood is deeply connected to having access to water. As the proceedings continue, Hopi has engaged with several fact witnesses to testify on behalf of the Hopi Tribe. The fact witnesses include individuals who can speak about the future cultural connection to water, the uses for domestic, municipal, commercial and light industrial (DCMI) economic development needs.

Hopi Tribe presented expert testimony on restoration of the washes and springs; a future plan to create irrigated gardens near the villages based upon the gardens at Hotevilla, Wepo and Talahogan Canyon; and further evidence on Hopi's need for water for DCMI uses. The Hopi Tribe is seeking the right to divert water from the Northern Washes for native agriculture. After the past and present trial, the Special Master entered a proposed finding that the Hopi Tribe could divert 18,000 acre feet of water from the Northern Washes for agriculture. With a growing population, the Hopi Tribe is asking for additional water in the future; that is, to allow the Hopi Tribe to divert 28,000 acre feet from the Northern Washes.

"Our own Hopi culture has been very dependent on this pa'hu since time immemorial. The river basin of the Little Colorado River is sacred to Hopi. All the springs, streams and washes that flow into the Little Colorado River is a part of the life on Hopi," says Craig Andrews, Hopi Tribal Council Representative. "We will always depend on the very little water we have, and continue to turn to our prayers for the rain. It's important to conserve and protect the water."

Having the right to divert water from the Northern Washes does not mean that it will rain. The Hopi Reservation remains in drought conditions along with the rest of Arizona and the Colorado River Basin. To preserve the ability to farm in drought conditions, the Hopi Tribe is asking for groundwater that can be stored in reservoirs near the villages and channeled into gardens (0.8-acre plots) for growing corn, beans, squash, and other vegetables. The design is based upon the historic gardens at Hotevilla, Wepo and Talahogan Canyon, where water from springs has been held in reservoirs and channeled to agriculture.

One of the purposes of the Hopi Future Trial is for the Court to determine how much future water the Tribe needs for planning future uses and development of businesses. The Hopi claim for future water includes claims for economic development of the Hopi livestock industry. To obtain water, Hopi must present economic development proposals that are reasonably feasible. Hopi is not locked into building specific projects as the market may change, but it must show a reasonably feasible way to put the water to use. The Hopi Tribe will present further evidence on livestock claims; a claim for water for a feedlot to fatten cattle and for water to grow alfalfa at the Oraibi Delta. The Hopi Tribe will present economic development plans and village master plans, as well as testimony to Hopi government management and planning.

Carroll Onsae is the President and Manager of Hopi Telecommunications Inc. and the Hopi Utilities Corporation. He testified about the construction of a fiber optics line for internet on the Hopi Reservation, and planning to upgrade connections of the internet to homes. Mr. Onsae also testified on the Hopi Arsenic Mitigation Project (HAMP), which will replace water from current municipal wells to First Mesa and Second Mesa with water from the Turquoise Trail wells located north of the mesas. HAMP is a multi-year project, near ready to move to construction, to provide arsenic-free water to the Tribe and upgrade the water delivery system on Hopi. It is an example of EPA, IHS, and Hopi working together to deliver safe water to the Hopi people. Mr. Onsae also discussed how the Hopi Utilities Corporation is gathering data on the electrical grid on Hopi to propose advancements to the electrical system.

"Today, the water resources available to Hopi are very limited especially with the on-going drought we all face. We have projects in development to help us bring some of that water to the villages," expressed Rosa Honani, Hopi Tribal Council Representative. "However, the water infrastructure that will be necessary to deliver water from other resources to the Hopi villages is very expensive but very possible as we look to the future in our planning and economic development."

Dr. Michael Hanemann, one of the expert witnesses, testified recently on the Hopi Tribe's claim for domestic, commercial, municipal, and industrial water. This is a measure of water needed for the villages. Hopi is seeking the same amounts of water that non-Indian communities use; Hopi requests 160 gallons per person per day (gpcd). The U.S. Government is seeking 150 gpcd. Flagstaff is the most vocal opponent of this claim. Flagstaff claims that its water usage is only 100 gpcd. That would be true if you ignored the reclaimed water they use, the leakages in their water system, and the number of people they have in multi-residential housing which has a lower water use than single family homes. Dr. Hanemann testified that if you factored in all these other uses, Flagstaff's water use would exceed 160 gpcd.

One of the most important developments in the trials, recently, is the introduction into evidence of the 2011, 2016, 2018, and 2019 Economic Development Plans for the Hopi communities. The ultimate goal of this litigation is to obtain water to implement these plans. These plans were the subject of testimony this week and will be the subject of testimony of future Hopi witnesses. In the next two weeks the Hopi will introduce the 2011 strategic land plans and the master plans of the villages.

"The future economic plans for Hopi always includes considerations and conversations around how much water we will need to sustain the business ideas and the communities we serve," claimed Hopi Chairman Timothy Nuvangyaoma. "We need water for everything we do, from ceremonies to running our stores, from small baby naming events to providing clean reliable water for villages at large dances."

The Little Colorado River Adjudication 'Virtual Trial' of the Hopi Tribe's water rights claims started on Monday September 14, 2020, at 9:00 am, with opening statements by the attorneys representing Hopi and the statements from other parties opposing the Hopi Tribe's water rights claims. The trials will continue into next year. The LCR adjudication will continue using an online platform with all entities engaging through video conferencing including cross-examination of key witnesses and experts using technology. The public and Hopi community is encouraged to join the trials by calling the bridge line provided by the Special Master, and the most current toll free information for listening to the trials is (855) 506-9695 with a prompt for the passcode: 357264#.

For questions or more information, please call the Hopi Tribe; Office of the Chairman at (928) 734-3102 or Office of the Vice Chairman (928) 734-3113.



# **Updated Public Information from** the Hopi Judicial Branch

Effective November 2, 2020 through December 21, 2020, the Court Administration Building aka: Courtroom II, will be closed temporarily. All business and Court operations will be conducted at the Main Court Building. The exterior doors to the Court will remain closed to the public. Limited staff are in the offices to protect the public and our employees.

Office hours: Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and closed from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. The Court is Closed on Fridays. All Court hearings will be conducted by telephone only. The telephone number is (928) 738-5171.

Filings and motions can be emailed to hopicourtclerk@gmail.com or mailed to PO Hopi Trial Court, PO Box 156 Keams Canyon AZ 86034.

Criminal and Civil traffic fines may be paid online at WWW.CITEPAYU-SA.COM OR mailed to: HOPI TRIAL COURTS, P.O. Box 156, Keams Canyon, AZ 86034.

Hearings involving children will be held by telephone according to court notices. Call the Court at 928-738-5171.

Probation/Pre-Trial check-ins will continue through telephone contact at 928-205-3742 or (928) 738-5171.

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## Public Notice from the WEMP Office **Regarding Wood Permits**

permit.

Department of Natural Resources Schedule of Hopi Non-Commercial Wood Permits Essential Services

The Hopi Wildlife & Ecosystems Management Program (WEMP) recognizes the continued need to provide Non-Commercial (Personal) Wood Permits to Tribal members and residents of the Hopi Reservation, who includes: Navajo AA residents and Non-Native individuals who reside on the Hopi Reservation. As we near the winter season, the Hopi WEMP has identified the need to continue to provide these essential services on a limited basis. due to the current COVID-19 Pandemic and continued closure of the Hopi Tribal Buildings to the public.

The schedule will require all individuals to wear a mask, follow social distancing guidelines and other pertinent safety requirements. If you are feeling sick or have an above normal or high temperature, PLEASE stay home.

WEMP staff will be stationed outside

**October Schedule Hours of Operation** September Dates Location Outside the Honahni Building November 4, 2020 9 am to 4 pm November 12, 2020 10 am to 4 pm Outside the Honahni Building November 18, 2020 10 am to 4 pm Outside the Honahni Building November 25, 2020 Outside the Honahni Building 10 am to 4 pm December 2, 2020 10 am to 4 pm Outside the Honahni Building

further updates.

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# November is Diabetes Awareness Month

# November is National Diabetes Awareness Month

#### Sandra Ovah, Hopi Wellness Center Staff For Hopi Tutuveni

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. - October 28, 2020 Greetings from the Hopi Wellness Center! We do hope our communities are doing well and staying safe during these trying times. The team has been adjusting to the current Covid-19 pandemic: and has been developing programs and activities to get you moving and providing you with continued health and wellness activities.

November is Diabetes Awareness month; the Hopi Wellness Center team is working hard to join in the fight against diabetes. During this month, communities come together to bring awareness to the diabetes epidemic. Like the current Covid-19 pandemic, diabetes does not discriminate, however, it can be prevented by taking and making healthier choices. This is the time to get educated, find resources and make sure all those around us are aware of their risk. There are three types of diabetes; Type 1 diabetes is when the body does not produce insulin, it is not preventable but can be managed with insulin injections, Type 2 is the most common form of diabetes; Type 2 is when your body does not use insulin properly.

It is a largely preventable and treatable non-communicable disease that is rapidly increasing in numbers worldwide and there is gestational diabetes; it is diabetes diagnosed for the first-time during pregnancy. Throughout the month of November, awareness is shared through education and simple reminders to allow us to get back on track with blood glucose checks, taking your medication, making healthy food choices and incorporating some type of physical activity.

For the month of November, the HWC team put together a number of activities to bring awareness to the Hopi community regarding diabetes. Join the team in a month-long calendar of events. You may visit the Hopi Wellness Center Facebook page to follow along. Activities began on November 1 with a Diabetes Awareness Virtual Kick-Off Walk/Run. Throughout the month there will be daily physical activities with our Fitness Center team, personal testimonies, nutrition education and cooking videos. We will also be joining the Notah Begay NB3 activities beginning the week of November 2-8, 2020. We look forward to you and your family joining in the events! Do not forget to mask up, wash your hands frequently and practice social distancing.



# Hopi Community Health Representative (CHR) Program Continues Essential Program Work throughout COVID-19 Pandemic



Department of Health and Human Services staff huddle before village canvass outreach (CHR, WIC, Oral Health and Wellness Center staff) (photo credit to original sender)





Cindi Polingyumptewa, Kanesha Quanimptewa and Felicia Mata (photo credit to original sender)

#### Joyce Hamilton, CHR Manager - The Hopi Tribe

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. – October 28, 2020 In April, despite the Hopi Tribal Government shut-down, the Hopi Community Health Representative (CHR) program continued working week to week since being identified as an Essential Program to assist in the COVID-19 pandemic. Since then, alongside the Hopi Health Care Center (HHCC), our dedicated Hopi CHRs: Lori Monongye-Russell, Rose Namoki, Kanesha Quanimptewa, Ruth Ami, Felicia Mata, Elyse Monroe and Cindi Polingyumptewa, fulfill demanding roles while on the front lines in the fight against COVID-19.

Roles such as providing direct assistance to the HHCC Outpatient Department with weekly COVID-19 public screenings and assisting HHCC's Public Health Nursing in their role of active surveillance and case management for COVID-19 positive patients and contacts. During the grueling hot summers, the Hopi Wellness Center, WIC, and Public Health Compliance programs, and partners from the Hopi Tribe Department of Health Services, joined the Hopi CHRs in cooling off the Hopi/ Tewa communities by providing outreach, health education, COVID-19 assessments, testing information and addressing questions and concerns. Due to this collaboration, along with support from Hopi Health Care Center's Director of Community Health, Dr. Hirschman, the canvassing of these communities was a SUCCESS! The CHRs' presence was welcomed and greatly appreciated.

The Hopi Tribe's CHR program strives to continually direct efforts in having well-trained community based health care personnel to provide Health Promotion/Disease Prevention as well as other standards of practice for individuals, families and the community. Even in the midst of a National Pandemic, the passion to enhance current skillsets and knowledge in health care continues to burn.

Hopi CHRs Lori Monongye-Russell, Felicia Mata and Kanesha Quanimptewa tackled online classes through Central Arizona College to attain a Community Health Worker Certificate. Being a full-time student and a fulltime employee, as well as the added stress and fear of

CHR Door Hanger, education on preventative measures against COVID, hangers for people NOT home (photo credit to original sender)

personal protection while also working on the Front Lines, created the urgency to quickly adapt to both the Hopi Tribe's and IHS's new demands in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. A new twist to time management also posed challenges in participating in back-to-back COVID-19 seminars/trainings, monitoring clientele, making up on-line class sessions, and the added strain on their families. Being "in school" again took some adapting to, but, they did it! Congratulations to Mrs. Lori Monongye-Russell, CNA/CHW, Ms. Kanesha Quanimptewa, CNA/CHW and Mrs. Felicia Mata, CHW!

At times like this, with previous Executive Orders by Hopi Leadership related to emergency declarations, the Hopi CHR staff has been called upon to assist in various capacities throughout each unique emergency declaration. The CHR staff workforce brings with them a "fighting power" against preventable diseases and assistance of various needs for their clientele and the community. The CHR program wants to remind everyone to remain attentive to the preventative measures shared against the fight of the COVID-19 virus.

# NAU community invited to Native American Heritage Month events throughout November



Flagstaff, Ariz. – October 30, 2020,Native American Heritage Month is celebrated each November, a particularly important celebration for Northern Arizona University, which is located near the Navajo and Hopi reservations and serves students from more than 110 tribal nations. Every year, NAU hosts a number of events throughout the month to celebrate and foster awareness of Indigenous cultures and contributions. Everyone in the NAU community is invited to the events, which are happening virtually.

Nov. 4

Movie screening: "Gather," 5:45 p.m.

The Department of Anthropology, Native American Cultural Center, Department of Applied Indigenous Studies and Cline Library are sponsoring a screening of "Gather," followed by a facilitated conversation with NAU faculty.

"Gather" follows three Native Americans stories: Nephi Craig, a chef from the White Mountain Apache Nation in Arizona, as he opens an Indigenous café; Elsie Dubray, a scientist from the Cheyenne River Sioux Nation in South Dakota who is studying bison; and the Ancestral Guard, who are environmental activists from the Yurok Nation in northern California as they try to save the Klamath River.

The screening is available online at no charge, but participants must register online (https://story-spaces.com/events/ gather-mj8fqg) For more information about the event, visit the library's website (https://libraryguides.nau.edu/Gather).

#### Nov. 6

Virtual StewFest 2020, 1 p.m.

Connect to watch videos, share recipes and learn how to cook frybread! To participate via Zoom: https://nau.zoom.us Meeting ID: 814 0948 6210, password: stew

First-Gen Native Stories, 3-4:30 pm

Indigenous NAU alumni will be sharing their first-generation stories of overcoming challenges and succeeding. NAU First Gen Programs, NACC and OISS are sponsoring the event. The meeting information is forthcoming. Participate on Zoom: https://bit.ly/1STGENWeek

Nov. 12

Learning From Our Elders Series, noon



## Celebrate and Educate for Native American Heritage Month

#### Wednesday, November 4 @ 5:45 pm

Facilitated Conversation with NAU Faculty following the screening.

For More Information and Registration for Virtual Screening https://libraryquides.nau.edu/Gather



Lorenzo Max, who is Diné and one of NAU's elders, will share his knowledge and stories. To participate virtually: https://nau.zoom.us Meeting ID: 970 0707 3152 Password: Elders

Nov. 16

Community Speaker featuring Rose Toehe, Diné/Ute, City of Flagstaff coordinator of Indigenous Initiatives, 5:30 p.m.

Hear about Toehe's experience and

philosophy as an Indigenous community advocate and participate in a discussion about participation and action in your community. To participate virtually: https://nau.zoom.us Meeting ID: 831 3611 8869 Password: NAHM20

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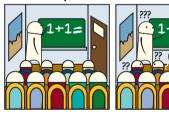
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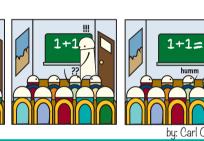
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Notice of Election Call for Poll Officers Hopi Election Board is Calling for Poll Officers for the Hopi Board of Education for the new Hopi School System Election INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS can go to Hopi Tribe. gov website and see the Job Descriptions and apply online. ELECTION DAY – DECEMBER 30, 2020 For more information call the Hopi Elections Office @ 928-734-2507/2508 Or visit Hopi Election Office located at Highway 264, BIA Route 2 (Leupp Road) Kykotsmovi, Az 86039.

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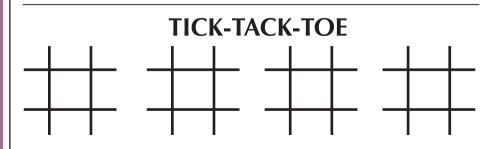




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## 2020 Election for the Hopi Board of Education for the New Hopi School System Hopi Tribe Call for petitioners election for 7 local attendance areas and 2 at large members

PETITIONS can be picked up at all Local Hopi Schools and at

Hopi Elections Office, Kykotsmovi, AZ from October 27, 2020

Submission of Petitions to the Hopi Elections Office NEW Deadline Date November 6, 2020 5:00 p.m.

Absentee Ballot Request Begins November 2, 2020

**Call Hopi Elections Office at** 1-928-734-2507/2508 or email kshupla@hopi.nsn.us

Last Day to Request for an Absentee Ballot **December 1. 2020** 

**Early Voting Begins** December 21-24, 2020 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. **Hopi Elections Office** Kykotsmovi, AZ

**Election Day** December 30, 2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL HOPI ELECTIONS OFFICE AT 1-928-734-2507/2508 OR EMAIL kshupla@hopi.nsn.us



#### Call for Hopi Board of Education Candidates

The new Hopi Education Code unifies all seven of Hopi's Tribally Controlled Schools into a single, comprehensive Hopi School System under the oversight of an independently elected Hopi Board of Education.

#### **CANDIDATE PACKETS:**

- Candidate Packets are available beginning Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at the Hopi Elections Office and Hopi's Tribally Controlled Schools.
- Deadline Date to turn in Candidate Packets is Friday, November 6, 2020 by 5:00 p.m.
- Candidate Packets must be turned into Hopi Elections Office, Highway 264 (Leupp Road), Kykotsmovi, AZ.

MEMBERSHIP: Nine members will be elected - 1 from each of the 7 Hopi School Attendance Areas and 2 at large Hopi enrolled members.

Election Q's: Karen Shupla, Hopi Elections Office P: 928-734-2507/2508 тне Дорі тківе E: kshupla@hopi.nsn.us

Hopi Board of Education Q's: Noreen Sakiestewa P: 928-734-3501 E: NSakiestewa@hopi.nsn.us

## | Notice of Election Call for Petitioners for New Election Date December 30, 2020

Comprehensive Hopi Education System -Enacted August 7, 2019

Election For Hopi Board Of Education For The New Hopi School System - Chapter 4. Hopi Board Of Education Sec. 4.1.C & Sec. 4.2.A

7- Member Positions one for each of the ATTENDANCE AREAS

Chapter 3, Hopi School System Sec. 3.1.B

First Mesa Elementary School Hopi Day School

Hotevilla/Bacavi Community School

Keams Canyon Elementary School

Moencopi Day School

Second Mesa Day School

Hopi Junior Senior High School

2 -Member Positions- AT-LARGE MEMBERS

Hopi Tribal Member

Petitioner's Packets available beginning October 27, 2020

At: Tribally Controlled Schools, Hopi Elections Office and On-line at www.hopi-nsn.gov/tribal-government/hopi-elections-office/.

NEW DEADLINE DATE for submittal of petitions on or before NOVEMBER 6, 2020 @ 5:00 p.m. to the Hopi Election Office.

4.2.D (1) Hold at least an Associate's degree in any field from an accredited institution with a preference of an education degree;

4.2.D(2) At least twenty-five (25) years of age;

4.2.D(3) Preferred to be an enrolled

Hopi Education Code -To Establish a Hopi Tribal member, but it is not required; 4.2.D(4) Not a member of the Hopi Tribal Council or a local school board:

4.2.D(5) Successfully pass a background check as defined in this Code; and

4.2.D(6) Not a current employee or direct relative of an employee of the Central Administration Office, the Department, local school, or preschool of the Hopi School System.

AT-LARGE MEMBER QUALIFICA-TIONS

4.2.E(1) Hold at least a Bachelor's degree in education or education-related field from an accredited institution:

4.2.E (2) At least twenty-five (25) years of age:

4.2.E(3) An enrolled member of the Hopi Tribe;

4.2.E(4) Not a member of the Hopi Tribal Council or a local school board;

4.2.E(5) Successfully pass a background check as defined in this Code; and

4.2.E(6) Not a current employee or direct relative of an employee of the Central Administration Office, the Department, local school, or preschool of the Hopi School System.

All Petitioners shall go through a background check AND qualify before names are put on the ballot.

Hopi Election Office located at Highway 264, BIA Route 2 (Leupp Road) Kykotsmovi, Az 86039.

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## When will we know the results of the 2020 presidential election? *Final election results could be delayed by several days*



A sticker for early voters is stuck onto a pavement outside Kenosha's municipal offices for early voting, Friday, Oct. 30, 2020, in Kenosha, Wis. (AP Photo/Wong Maye-E) (Copyright 2020 The Associated Press. All rights reserved.)

#### Fares Sabawi Original story by KSAT.com

Every four years, Americans cast their ballots in the presidential election and in most cases (remember 2000?), they're used to learning the results of the election later that night. This time, that is not expected to be the case.

Because of an influx of absentee ballots in this election amid the coronavirus pandemic, some states have made adjustments to tally the votes more quickly, while others will not have enough of the votes counted to declare a winner by Tuesday night.

In Michigan, for example, smaller jurisdictions cannot begin processing mail-in ballots until Election Day. State officials there have said they expect unofficial results to be available three days after the election.

States like Wisconsin and Pennsylvania have similar rules, meaning that vote counting could potentially take days.

In Texas, election officials in bigger counties, including Bexar, have already started processing mail-in ballots. The early vote results will be released first around 7 p.m. Tuesday, which you can find on KSAT.com. Most counties expect to have a mostly complete result by Tuesday night, but competitive races may take an extra day or two before they are decided.

Counting mail-in votes can take longer because they undergo a review process to determine that the ballot is valid. Many states also allow voters to fix potential errors with their mail-in ballot, which could lengthen the time it takes to tally the votes.

With lags expected in battleground states like Michigan and Pennsylvania, it's possible that both Joe Biden and President Donald Trump may not end up with the 270 electoral votes needed to win the presidency by the end of the night. News organizations will keep the lags in mind before projecting the winner.

Political experts are also expecting legal battles to ensue, which could draw out the election process even further.

While it's unlikely that the election will play out as it did in 2000 — when the Supreme Court issued its decision to block a recount, handing the election to George W. Bush — it is likely that a number of races up and down the ballot won't be decided by Tuesday night.

Like everything else in 2020, you'll need to have some patience.

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# Hopi H.E.O.C Updates

## HOME

## Home Office Essentials to Streamline Your Work Week



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(StatePoint) If you've been working remotely for months, you're likely long overdue for a home office upgrade. Having the right tools can make working from home easier and less stressful.

Here are a few small tweaks and essentials to consider:

• Scene change: Is your home "office" actually the kitchen table or a couch? Keep a healthy boundary between your personal and professional life with a visual cue that indicates when the work day has started and when it's ended. That cue could be the strategic use of a room divider to hide personal items and keep you focused. Or, it could be as simple as plopping a desk lamp onto the kitchen table during work hours to give the surface a professional, task-oriented feel.

• Number crunching: Make number crunching and recordkeeping easy with a printing calculator. With Cost/Sell/Margin functionality as well as the ability to check and correct up to 150 steps and print after correction, Casio's HR-170RC is a versatile choice. Printing two lines per second with two-color printing, you can quickly produce paper records of your work for

more organized files. With its small footprint, plus calendar and clock functionality, it can help you streamline your desk for a clutter-free, fashionable workspace.

• Caffeine fix: Now that your cup of joe is being enjoyed at home most mornings, consider upgrading your coffee maker to fit your tastes and your demanding schedule. If you miss the latte or cappuccino you used to grab on your morning commute, it may be time to replace your standard drip machine with a full-fledged cappuccino and café latte maker. Or, consider going high-tech. New coffee maker models employing smart technology let you brew from bed using just your phone for a guaranteed caffeine fix by your early morning call.

• Get the full picture: If you were accustomed to a full-sized desktop monitor at work, but have working on a laptop at home, you may find you are more productive by adding an external monitor to your home office setup.

With it looking more likely that remote working situations are here to stay, it's time to make your home office work for you. Would you like to put your legals into the Newspaper? For a single price you can put your legals into the Hopi Tutuveni *Call 928-734-3283 to find out how* 

# Simple Reminders from the CDC to Keep Safe

Please if you are sick, stay home, except to get medical care. Even if you are not sick please remember to:
Keep at least six feet between you and other people and don't go to--or host--parties or other group events.
Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when you are around others or

when you go out in public. •Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, or hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol if you can't use

## soap and water.

•Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash and wash your hands.

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# COVID-19 Emergency Response – November 2, 2020 Report Hopi Tribe – Department of Health and Human Services

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. – November 2, 2020 If you are not taking COVID-19 seriously at this point, here is a strong message for you – you could very well be responsible for your own family's fate and for those in your community. This week, the United States passed a grim milestone – a record 500,000 COVID-19 cases in seven days – according to national health experts that means that we had an American testing positive every 1.2 seconds. And it's more than that, because these are only the people who went out and got tested. We know there are people with asymptomatic and milder cases who don't always get tested, but they are out there and can pass the virus to others, who can get seriously ill.

Things are not looking good going into the winter season. From a practical standpoint it's becoming almost out of control, tragic really. The second massive wave of COVID-19 is here, and it's dark. It's different from the spring, where the virus was more localized: now. it's widespread all over the country and in remote rural communities. Every single person needs to be a part of controlling the virus. Wash your hands often. Watch your distance from others. Wear a mask - always. In some of the surrounding cities and towns ICUs are overflowing with patients. That means that getting properly treated for COVID will become harder, and more people who might have survived will die. It means that people who need to go to the hospital for other procedures may be turned away or receive less than optimal care. Please be mindful of the precautions. Don't be complacent.

Here is a quick overview of the COVID-19 statistics on

a national, state, and local level:

As of this date – November 2, 2020

The United Sates now has over 9.1 million confirmed positive cases with 77,398 new cases and over 230,383 deaths reported.

Over 248,139 confirmed positive cases now exist in Arizona. Of those, close to 6,545 are in Navajo County alone.

The Hopi Health Care Center has tested over 5,046 patients to this date. Over 518 of those tests at Hopi Health Care Center came back positive with 369 from Hopi Tribal members. Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation reported 56 positives for Hopi Villages with a combined number of 425 positive Hopi Tribal members.

\* The information by villages presented above is released by the Hopi Department of Health & Human Services, and the data shown reflects patients tested at the Hopi Health Care Center and at the Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation specifically on Hopi tribal members. The data from Lower and Upper Munqapi is consolidated until specific data can be re-verified. (+) number decreased due to individual being identified from another village. The community of residence for one Hopi Tribal member who tested positive at HHCC is in the Phoenix metropolitan area. The community of residence for four Hopi Tribal members who tested positive at HHCC is in Winslow. The data here does not include all state-wide data from other facilities such as Flagstaff, Winslow, Phoenix or other hospitals.

\*\* A total of 425+ individuals who tested positive are

members of the Hopi Tribe.

+ Includes Village member(s) retested positive Prevention:

Watch for symptoms. People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness.

Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms or combinations of symptoms may have COVID-19:

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- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Or at least two of these symptoms:
- Fever
- Chills
- Repeated shaking with chills
- Muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
  - New loss of taste or smell

Children have similar symptoms to adults and generally have mild illness.

This list is not all inclusive. Please consult your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning to you.

For questions or more information, please call the Hopi Tribe, Office of the Chairman at (928) 734-3102, or Office of the Vice Chairman (928) 734-3113





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## COVID-19 Emergency Response – November 2, 2020 Report Hopi Tribe – Department of Health and Human Services, Cont.

Hopi COVID-19 Reported Cases by Hopi Health Care Center Cases\*

November 2, 2020

	Number Tested Today		ulative r Positive		cumulative Number Negative	To Numl Proc	per in	Total Tested		
	5	5	18		4,497	0		5,046		
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Kiqötsmovi			22		3		25			
Orayv	i		8				8			
Polacca (Walpi-Sitsom'ovi- Tewa)			154		3		157+			
Musangnuvi			11				11			
Supawlavi			16				16+			
Söngoopavi			115				115+			
Yuwelu-paki			6				6			
Paaqavi			3				3			
Hotvela			15		7		22(+)			
Keams Canyon			13		3		16			
Munqapi					40*		40*			
Phoenix			1					1		
Winslow			4					4		
Prescott			1				1			
TOTAL			369		56			425		



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## COMMUNITY

# As COVID Anxiety Grows, Tips to Avoid Crisis and Conflict

(StatePoint) Among mask mandates, social distancing, outspoken political views and personal challenges from the COVID-19 pandemic, there is a heightened risk for public spaces turning into places of conflict.

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According to experts at the Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI), the global leader in de-escalation training for over 40 years, mentally preparing and practicing responses can best ensure non-confrontational experiences. Potential challenging situations could include disagreements over mask requirements or social distancing, family gatherings, shopping lines, acclimating to more densely populated work environments or navigating political discussions.

"Having trained teachers, nurses and others who interact with the public, and being a social worker myself, I know the immense need for de-escalation training in the workplace and in everyday life," says Amber Belle, a global CPI trainer. "Learning conflict-prevention techniques can help ensure you have positive experiences in your community."

CPI has identified probable areas of conflict and how to best mitigate tension. They recommend embracing four simple techniques to prevent and reduce conflict:

1. Avoid judgment. Understand that everyone has different life experiences and may be overwhelmed with struggles and anxiety from things you know nothing about. Listen and focus on the feelings behind the message.

2. Don't take it personally. Another person's behavior is not about you. You are likely not the true target of someone's behavior. Tell yourself, "This may not be about the two of us; it may be about other issues in their life." Or repeat to yourself, "I'm going to be respectful. I'm going to be respectful."

3. Control your reactions. You can't control another person's behavior, but you can control how you react. Avoid using facial expressions, gestures and language that could make another person feel anxious or defensive.

4. Be prepared if you have to engage. Have a plan to acknowledge and redirect. Here are some things you could potentially say:

• "Yeah. This year has been difficult on everyone."

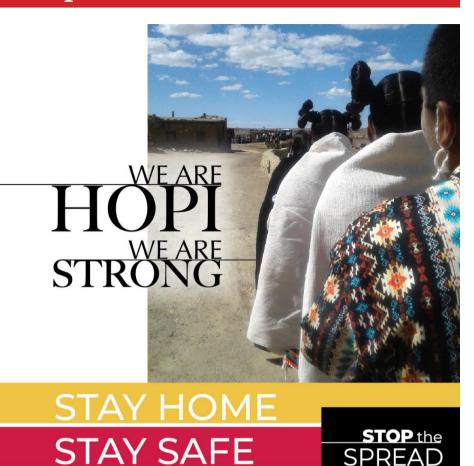
• "I can understand where you're coming from."

• "We'll all be glad to have this pandemic behind us."

Over four decades, CPI has trained more than 15 million individuals in its techniques, spanning many industries and professions, especially health care and education. CPI tracks violent incidents in the industries it trains, and data shows that de-escalation skills, when used correctly, can quickly decrease violence regardless of the industry.

For more de-escalation tips and information on de-escalation, visit www.crisisprevention.com.

During a particularly tense time in our nation's history, having a few techniques at the ready can help you avoid conflict wherever you are.



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# Hopi and the Story of Trash...

We're trashy people, and by that I mean Hopis seem to be trashy people to some folks passing through Hopi. No. I don't mean trashy like the "Living in trailers with a broken truck outside of their trailer" kind of trash...oh wait, some of us are like that...but that's another story. I mean actual trash, like "Buy something at the local store and unwrap it in the parking lot only to throw the wrapper out the car window in the parking lot hoping the wind will take it away kind of...trash.

"Hopis love to talk about the beauty of their land and how we should protect it by teaching our youth that this is our home and we should take care of it. Plus, there are some fully functioning adults who talk about protecting "Our Land" and make efforts to clean up while right next to them might be a fully function adult who is throwing trash off the side of the mesa in the same spot that the others just cleaned up. Its kind of hard to believe that adults know that this is happening on the Hopi reservation still do the opposite of preserving our land.

I was running around several mesas this past weekend and I have to tell you that, we sure love soda pop. I saw pop cans, beer cans, broken cars in the middle of nowhere, and in all that, I saw that Hopis would travel great distances to the middle of no-where just to throw a bag of trash in the middle of that "nowhere."

Now, I try my best and collect the trash,

but my trash bag fills up before I traveled off the mesa to the bottom. So it made me wonder that some Hopis don't care about their land, they don't want to protect it, and they don't want to teach the youth about how we should take care of Mother Nature. Some of us have become so colonized and satisfied to a certain point that we are hoping that someone will take the responsible part and clean up after others and us.

Now don't get me wrong, there are some people that are trying their hardest with faith filled efforts and hope to teach our youth how to be mindful of their land, and believe me some youth are trying their best to keep this Hopi land clean, too.

Last year I was at a traditional Hopi dance, and let me tell you that it was so nice to hear the songs, to see the colors, to see the people enjoying a two-day festival of songs, heat, and gifts. But when the dance was over I saw the amount of trash that was left behind in the dance plaza, wrappers, corn cobs, orange peels, and plastic water bottles were left inside of the most sacred place in the village it looked like a waste landfill. I waited around to see if some of the people would comeback and cleanup after themselves, but no one came back, it was like we didn't care about the aftermath of the dance. Now, I don't know who cleans up after the dance, but I'm pretty sure it's the people who have houses around the plaza area, so I praise them.

Now, I'm sure that all villages have this problem with trash because we complain about being a trashy village.

It's like a stereotypical Native American movie where you live in a run down reservation, and your dad left you when you were a kid, so you try to find him 'cause he died in Arizona and your traveling with Thomas cause he has money. You know... the typical "Indian" movie... and that's reality, so I picture our village looking like that and I'm Victor looking for my dad... but that's another story...Our trash company out here on the Hopi reservation is trying its hardest to try to provide services to the Hopi people, but with the lack of funding its very hard for them to try to provide the best services for the people. So how can we help?

Maybe we can have a bake sale for them so they can fix up their truck so I can have my trash emptied on a regular basis, see the idea is to quit complaining and start helping out with your and our community, if you see trash, pick it up throw it in a trash can, but if we continue to complain about our "trashy" reservation we will never find a solution to our problems. When you live on a reservation and poverty is all you know, young and old people seem to not care about what the consequences of living like this. There are programs that are trying to get started in collecting recyclables but when the Hopi Tribe is not supporting it enough it tends to be lost in

the world of Hopi bureaucracy.

So how do we help? Easy...just start picking up trash and throwing it away in the trash can, I do it all the time, when I can reach the top of the trash bin. We can't blame anyone for trash; it seems we all just became lazy to throw our trash away so we just leave it everywhere. I say the Hopi Tribal hall should provide free trash bags to everyone who wants to clean up their yard, plaza, roadside, or community, because in my mind we spend money on trash bags only to throw the trash bags away and that seems kind of redundant. If the Hopi Tribe wants to help its people, I say start by providing the simple things like trash bags, in hopes it will elevate people's hopes to clean Mother Earth. We can solve simple problems like this if we just all pitch in and pick up a beer can or pick up your drunken uncle with his beer cans and throw the cans away...but not your uncle. If we start with simple problems like this and solve them easily, we can start to solve more complex problems and start to realize that our problems can be solved by simple solutions.

My advice to you is that, we can sit around and look at the trash hoping someone will come and pick it up or we can just go pick it up and throw it away ourselves. What I'm saying is that we have the power to make change, but are we willing to change it? That question is totally up to you...if you want to change.

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This 2006 photo shows the Four Corners Power Plant in Waterflow, N.M. (AP Photo/Susan Montoya Bryan, File)

#### Susan Montoya Bryan Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — The Navajo Nation would expand its investment in coal-fired electricity generation as part of a plan announced Monday to acquire more shares in one of the Southwest's last remaining coal power plants.

The Navajo Transitional Energy Co. has negotiated an agreement in which Public Service Co. of New Mexico would divest from the Four Corners Power Plant in 2024 with the tribal company taking over PNM's 13 percent share. The agreement would call for the utility to pay to \$75 million to the tribal company for breaking current coal contract obligations at Four Corners.

If approved by state regulators, the transaction would preserve jobs at the plant and the adjacent tribally owned mine for at least a few more years as the tribe and the Four Corners region — spanning parts of New Mexico, Arizona, Utah and Colorado — adjust to a changing energy economy and mandates for more renewable energy.

Many of the workers at the mine and the power plant are Navajo.

The deal also would allow the New Mexico utility a faster exit from coal. PNM already has regulatory approval to exit the neighboring coal-fired San Juan Generating Station in 2022. The workforce there also includes many tribal members.

PNM said in a statement issued early Monday that it plans to file with New Mexico regulators early next year its proposal for abandonment and securitization of the unrecovered investment in the Four Corners plant.

PNM has predicted its customers could collectively

save about \$100 million on their bills with the utility's exit from Four Corners seven years earlier than planned. However, customers would still pick up the costs of pending liabilities after 2031, plus the cost of replacing Four Corners electricity with other resources.

"This is a major step in our vision to create a clean and bright energy future and achieve our industry-leading goal of emissions-free energy by 2040," Pat Vincent-Collawn, PNM Resources' chairman, president and CEO, said in the statement.

NTEC officials said the primary goal is to facilitate an orderly and successful exit by PNM, thereby preventing near-term job and revenue losses for the Navajo Nation.

Ensuring the plant remains open until 2031 is "completely aligned with NTEC's charter and responsibility to preserve jobs and revenue for the Navajo people," the company said in a statement. "The contemplated deal does not increase the planned operating life of the facility and does not increase liability to any of the owners, including NTEC."

NTEC also said it has kept the Navajo leadership updated on negotiations for the past year.

In an Oct. 16 email, NTEC CEO Clark Moseley indicated that PNM would remain liable for its share of future plant decommissioning and that an audit would be performed to ensure the utility can fund its portion of final mine reclamation expenses.

PNM officials confirmed during a news conference that the utility will retain liability for coal reclamation and plant decommissioning, which could total about \$45 million.

NTEC is owned by the tribal government but run independently by a non-Native executive team in Colorado. It has invested heavily in coal in recent years — acquiring the Navajo Mine in 2017, its current 7 percent stake in Four Corners in 2018 and three coal mines in Wyoming and Montana last year.

Arizona Public Service Co. is the owner and operator of the Four Corners plant, with a 63 percent stake. The Salt River Project owns 10 percent and Tucson Electric Power has 7 percent. PNM's stake represents 200 megawatts that make up less than 10 percent of the utility's generation portfolio.

Under New Mexico's Energy Transition Act, PNM must replace its coal and natural gas plants with renewables over the next two decades.

The law also allows the utility to recover investments in abandoned fossil fuel plants through bonds that would be paid off by customers. The bonds could include about \$16 million in economic development assistance for the Four Corners area to offset job and tax revenue losses.

"This is a big step for PNM and for New Mexico," said Tom Fallgren, vice president of generation. "Our step out of coal though is not a step out of communities that we have been serving and have been a part of for so long. We will continue to identify innovative ways to support economic development in those areas impacted by this transition."

An early exit also would meet conditions included in PNM Resources' recently announced plan to merge with Avangrid, a U.S. subsidiary of global energy giant Iberdrola.

Environmentalists have concerns about the Four Corners proposal, saying it would deepen the Navajo Nation's reliance on fossil fuels.

# 'Sovereign,' the First Native TV Drama, in Development at NBC



NBC's TV drama chronicling a Native American family will be executively produced by Ava DuVernay (left) and Bird Runningwater (right).

#### By Monica Whitepigeon October 28, 2020

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. — Last week, NBC announced the development of a new TV drama titled "Sovereign," from award-winning executive producers Ava DuVernay ("When They See Us," "Selma") and Cheyenne, Mescalero Apache member Bird Running-water along with writers and directors Sydney Freeland ("Drunktown's Finest"), a Navajo Nation citizen, and Shaz Bennett ("Sugar Queen").

"Sovereign" marks the first Native family drama developed for network television, which chronicles the lives, loves and loyalties of a sprawling Indigenous family struggling to control the future of their tribe against outside forces and themselves.

This collaborative and groundbreaking project offers a different perspective into the lives of Native people and emphasizes the importance of representation both on and off screen.

Freeland, an Emmy-nominated transgender filmmaker, actively seeks projects that challenge audiences' preconceived notions.

"A lot of times in TV shows and movies, Native Americans are either the wise elder or the noble maiden or some sort of caricature or stereotype. And the same thing with trans women; it's certainly changed, but they tended to be more marginalized — caricatures as opposed to characters," Freeland said in a 2019 interview with High Country News.

"If there's any chance to portray a character with humanity that comes from a marginalized community, I love doing that kind of stuff."

Last year, TIME featured Runningwater among its "12 Leaders Who Are Shaping the Next Generation of Artists." As director of the Native Program at the Sundance Institute, Runningwater has spent nearly two decades coaching and mentoring more than 140 different Indigenous filmmakers.

"Native Americans are invisible in American culture. Because we have a visibility issue, we have to establish the narrative," Runningwater said of the storytelling process in film and television.

For groups such as the Native American and Indigenous Writers Committee (NAIWC), a subcommittee of the Writers Guild of America West, Native representation on network television is long overdue.

In an open letter to the entertainment industry, NAIWC called out Hollywood's history of misrepresentation of Native peoples and the necessity for Indigenous peoples to tell their own stories. The letter says such representation only accounts for 0.04 percent of all media. Signatories included established professionals like Sterlin Harjo (Seminole, Mvskoke-Creek), Bobby D Wilson (Sisseton

Wahpeton Dakota), Marilyn Thomas (Saulteaux, Cree), and Skye Knight Dent (Mississippi Choctaw).

"We call on our colleagues to move beyond the limiting practice of only hiring us as cultural consultants. We are not in the business of legitimizing scripts for free, or authorizing our stories for others to tell. We have seen this for more than a century, and it has only perpetuated racism toward our community by way of erasure and harmful stereotypes," the letter from NAIWC said. "We need you to zealously push for scripts written by Indigenous writers, TV shows run by Indigenous show-runners, filmed by Indigenous directors and portrayed by Indigenous actors to ensure we have the primary opportunity to portray our communities."

There is no set release date for "Sovereign," but Runningwater seems hopeful for its momentous debut.

In a recent Instagram post, Runningwater remarked, "These moments don't happen without ALLIES willing to risk their names and relationships to open the door for other communities, voices, stories and artists. @ava DuVernay is THAT friend and ALLY taking a chance on this exciting story and standing with the Indigenous community to center Indigenous voices on-screen. Ixehe Sister Ava, we are beyond grateful and we want to do you proud!!"



Minnesota State Troopers surrounded a Christopher Columbus statue of after it was toppled in front of the Minnesota State Capitol on June 10 in St. Paul. The statue was later towed away. (Leila Navidi/Star Tribune via AP, File)

#### Mary Annette Pember Indian Country Today

President Donald Trump has signed two history-related proclamations, National Native American Heritage Month and National American History Founders Month. He created the latter for the first time last year.

The 2019 and 2020 National Native American Heritage Month proclamations are similar, both celebrating the contributions of Native Americans to the United States and touting the president's commitment to Indian Country by listing legislation and funding he has supported that benefit Native people.

The National American History Founders Month 2020 proclamation, however, differs starkly from the inaugural proclamation in 2019. Trump signed the latest proclamations on Friday.

This year has been marked by increased momentum in the Black Lives Matter movement and protests against police brutality aimed at people of color as well as calls for public reckoning with systemic racism that many claim permeates U.S. institutions and society.

During civil unrest following the May 2020 death of George Floyd in Minneapolis, Confederate statues and monuments, as well as statues of Christopher Columbus and other historical figures with fraught history relating to Native Americans, have been torn down or removed from public places.

"A fringe element of radical politicians, media voices, corporate executives and other activists seek to use their immense power to obscure the ideals of our country, rewrite our Nation's proud history and desecrate the memory of our founders," the National American History Founders proclamation reads.

"Statues have been torn down and destroyed, violent mobs have masqueraded under the false banner of peaceful protests, and free speech has come under siege in the public square and online platforms."

Trump goes on to describe adherents to critical race theory as seeking to strip individual agency from all Americans.

Critical race theory is a social sciences framework that examines society and culture as they relate to race, law and power.

He also reiterates his signing of an executive order banning executive departments and agencies and federal contractors from teaching critical race theory.

According to some Native American advocates, Trump's National American History Founders Month and Columbus Day proclamations have dangerous similarities.

"These proclamations are in line with his (the president's) latest very overt push for White nationalists to stand by; it feels super inflammatory," said Tara Houska, tribal attorney and founder of Ginew Collective, a frontline group working to protect Native territory from destructive fossil fuels in Minnesota. Houska is a citizen of Couchiching First Nation.

In his Oct. 9 Columbus Day Proclamation, Trump wrote: "Sadly, in recent years, radical activists have sought to undermine Christopher Columbus's legacy. These extremists seek to replace discussion of his vast contributions with talk of failings, his discoveries with atrocities, and his achievements with transgressions. Rather than learn from our history, this radical ideology and its adherents seek to revise it, deprive it of any splendor, and mark it as inherently sinister. We must not give in to these tactics or consent to such a bleak view of our history. We must teach future generations about our storied heritage, starting with the protection of monuments to our intrepid heroes like Columbus. This June, I signed an Executive Order to ensure that any person or group destroying or vandalizing a Federal monument, memorial, or statue is prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law."

He goes on to reference his opposition to teaching critical race theory as stated in the National American History Founder's Month Proclamation.

"In addition, last month I signed an Executive Order to root out the teaching of racially divisive concepts from the Federal workplace, many of which are grounded in the same type of revisionist history that is trying to erase Christopher Columbus from our national heritage. Together, we must safeguard our history and stop this new wave of iconoclasm by standing against those who spread hate and division."

"It seems to me if the president was truly interested in honoring and respecting Indigenous peoples and sovereignty, then he wouldn't push rhetoric that revises American history by painting Columbus as a hero; Columbus was a mass murderer of Indigenous peoples," Houska said.

At a campaign rally last month in Muskegon, Michigan, Trump encouraged the crowd to boo the idea of replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day.

"The radical left is eradicating our history," he said during his speech.

Trump's campaign leaders did not respond to emails from Indian Country Today seeking comment on his recent proclamations.

Several states and over 130 cities have dropped Columbus Day in favor of Indigenous People's Day. Columbus Day, however, is still a federal holiday.

Houska said Americans are grappling with a conversation on race that needs to happen at a large-scale level.

"We are looking at things like the celebration of genocide, the celebration of slavery, and what that means to the fabric of America," she said.

"Trump has found his niche by absolutely opposing that, but truth-telling that needs to happen so we can move forward together."

## **Reqest for RFQ's**

Hopi Health Care Center Renovation project Request for Qualification (RFQ)

The Hopi Tribe located in Kykotsmovi, Arizona is requesting Qualifications from companies to provide Construction services inclusive of commissioning and construction phase services for proposed renovation and expansion to the existing Hopi Health Care Center facility, located in Polacca, AZ.

The health care programs and services affected by this project are the Outpatient clinic, the level-V Emergency Department, Pharmacy, Laboratory, and Administrative programs. The preliminary gross size of the renovation is 11,170 sf of existing space and 15,200 sf of new construction. The total building project is approximately, 26,370 sf with the construction to include selective demolition, Landscaping, Parking and Sidewalk Improvements and miscellaneous Site Utility work.

A digital packet of the Request for Qualifications may be obtained at the Hopi Tribe, Office of Financial Management upon request after October 27, 2020. All complete qualification proposals must be received at The Hopi Tribe PO Box 123 Kykotsmovi, AZ 86039, attention Cheryl Tootsie, Contracting Officer, 928-734-3000, x3351, CTootsie@Hopi.nsn.us, no later than 4:00 PM MST, on December 22, 2020. The Hopi Tribe reserves the right to reject any or all Request for Qualifications received.

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## **Job Vacancy**

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#### Hopi Tribe Economic Development Corporation Board of Director Member (HTEDC)

The Hopi Tribe Economic Development Corporation (HTEDC) in Flagstaff, AZ. is seeking applications to fill a position of its Board of Directors.

The HTEDC is a federally chartered corporation wholly owned by the Hopi Tribe. The HTEDC is established under federal charter provisions making it distinct and separate from the Hopi Tribe. A board of seven (7) directors governs the HTEDC. Board members are appointed by the Hopi Tribal Council, representing the sole shareholder.

Currently there is 1 (one) vacancy for a three-year term position, the term begins November 9th, 2020. It is required to be filled by a Hopi Tribal Member only.

Job Description:

All Directors must meet the required qualifications as set forth in the HTEDC By-Laws and must pass a mandatory full background check.

Information for prospective board members may be sent via email or USPS mail. The packet includes information about the HTEDC and its mission, as well as information about the roles and responsibilities of a Board of Director member.

If you are interested and would like more information, please contact Stephanie Mejia, Administrative Assistant at 928-522-8675 or smejia@htedc.net.



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## Hopi Tribe Economic Development Corporation JOB OPENING

**CLASSIFIEDS** 

Job Title: Maintenance Technician (2) Department: Maintenance

Location: Walpi Housing

Reports to: General Manager/Maintenance Manager

How to apply: www.htedc.com; Fill out the online application or download the application and return to Walpi Housing

GENERAL PURPOSE

The Maintenance Technician is responsible for the general repairs and daily preventative maintenance of the entire property.

KEY TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

•Establishes and maintains a professional, positive attitude with management, co-workers and general public

Provides excellent customer service at all timesMaintains a neat and clean professional appearance

•Identifies and reports all maintenance/repair issues to management

•Ensures all areas of the facilities and grounds are kept in a clean and organized manner

•Rotates and stocks all products in both stores and restaurant cleaning closet Completes all daily work orders

•Provides continual communication with the front office and/or supervisor

•Performs other duties as assigned by immediate supervisor and/or general manager

•Fulfill guest/customer issues in a timely manner EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Possess a high school diploma or GED

KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE

Minimum 6 months of maintenance experience
Knowledge in carpentry, plumbing electrical preferred
Ability to operate electrical power tools

CORE COMPETENCES

•Ability to work with minimal supervision

•Ability to communicate effectively with management and clients

•Ability to understand written and verbal work orders •Ability to pass a background check and driver's abstract

•Possess a valid Arizona driver's license

•Demonstrate ability for time management WORKING CONDITIONS

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•Must be able to bend and twist on a regular basis

•Must be able to lift between 30-50 lbs.

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## Job Vacancy



"Strengthening Communities through Collaborative Actions" Request for Proposal for Financial Audit

Service Opening Date: 8:00am–October 12, 2020 Closing Date: 5:00pm–November 20, 2020

The Hopi Foundation–Lomasumi'nangwtukwsiwmani is accepting proposals for multi-year engagement from qualified & independent CPAs to perform annual financial & compliance audits for purpose of expressing an opinion on financial statements for a tax-exempt charitable nonprofit.

The multi-year engagement shall be for fiscal years 2020-2022 with each annual audit to cover calendar year Jan. 1 - Dec. 31. Scope of audit shall be applicable to:

A.Nonprofit 501(c)3 financial audit and 990 statements in accordance with IRS standards;

B.Public Radio audited financial statements in accordance with Corporation for Public Broadcasting standards.

All proposals must include:

1. Proposal letter from qualified CPA firm including detailed cost breakdown:

2.Quote of all costs associated with Part A & Part B proposed scope of work, with Part B radio audit costs listed separately;

3.Credentials & references including references from tax-exempt charitable organization clients and public radio clients.

Completed proposals must be received by The Hopi Foundation or post-marked by 5:00 pm, November 20, 2020.

Proposals may be submitted to: The Hopi Foundation P. O. Box 301 Kykotsmovi, AZ 86039

For questions, please contact: Angie Harris, Financial Director (928) 853-7527, cell

About The Hopi Foundation

The Hopi Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization established in 1987 and located on the Hopi Reservation in northeastern Arizona. The Hopi Foundation is a Grantmaking organization and a host of nonprofit programs including a Native American community-based public radio station.



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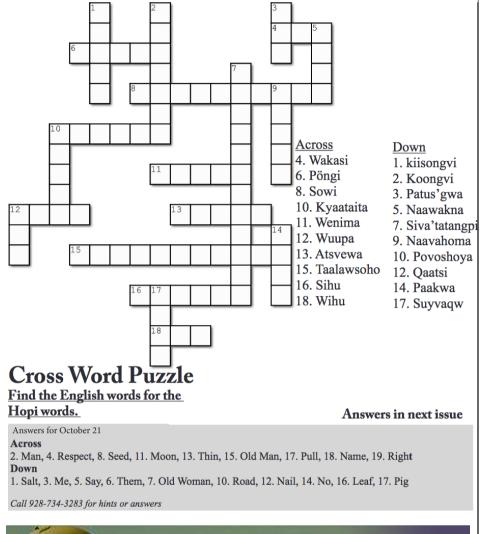
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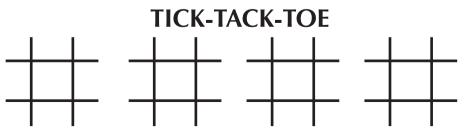


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Huge wildfires in the West and record breaking heat this summer in Arizona may have fueled voters interest in climate change and environmental policy this election cycle, Daniela Campos with Climate Power 2020 (file photo by Jordan Evans/ Cronkite News)

#### By Danya Gainor/Cronkite News

PHOENIX – Twenty-four hours after Tuesday's election, the U.S. officially will exit the Paris Agreement, an effort by nearly 200 countries to reduce the threat of man-made climate change. This comes as Arizona voters are expressing a growing interest in climate change and environmental policy.

A new survey of voters indicates Arizonans are becoming more concerned about climate change, which could influence their choices between two presidential candidates with starkly different strategies for tackling environmental issues.

The Morrison Institute for Public Policy at Arizona State University and the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust surveyed 800 Arizona voters in 2017 and followed up in January 2020 to gauge Arizonans' evolving beliefs about environmental protection.

"Arizona voters are as interested or more interested in and concerned about the environment in 2020 as they were in 2017," the survey said. "This includes attitudes toward and opinions about wildlife, land use, rivers and streams, global warming, preservation of water, air and water quality, and government spending on and attention to the environment."

In 2020, the survey found, 87% of Arizona voters believe the environmental issues facing the state are either "very serious" or "serious," up from 81% in 2017.

Stephen Kilar of the Morrison Institute

said the survey demonstrated a striking shift in climate change beliefs.

"Nearly 70% of respondents said that the state government has to do more to combat climate change," Kilar said. "Of that 70%, 45% said that they strongly agree that the state government needs to do more. That is up from 33% just three years ago.

"More and more people are wanting action."

#### But why now?

"The climate crisis is here and it is affecting all of us right now," said Daniela Campos, Climate Power 2020's spokesperson in Arizona. "This summer, Phoenix hit another historical record of extreme heat, wildfires are still burning in the West, and the Atlantic is dealing with a supercharged hurricane season.

"Our country needs bold, transformative, science-based climate action. This is why climate is a critical issue for a majority of voters in Arizona in 2020."

Historically, the topic of climate change hasn't weighed heavily on the minds of Arizona voters until now, the new survey suggests. Although more white and Hispanic voters have prioritized environmental issues higher in the last few years, some climate activists say marginalized communities that experience the disproportionate effects of climate change have conducted much of the activism for decades.

"Not since the Apollo project, I don't think we've ever seen science front and

center in a national campaign before," said Shaughnessy Naughton, president of 314 Action, a grassroots network that advocates for the election of scientists to public office. "It is because of the pandemic that we are going through, but it has exposed a lot of things that need to be fixed in our society and, you know, from racial injustice to health inequities."

The Morrison-Pulliman survey broke down opinions on the environment by age, political affiliation and race, but only included white and Hispanic to reflect the majority populations in Arizona.

Sinobia Aiden, civic engagement chair at the Black African Coalition of ASU, said racial inclusion is critical because climate change more severely affects communities of color.

"All things considered, the way that Native American and black people in America vote isn't necessarily changing this year," Aiden said. "When we take care of water issues that Native communities are facing, we're taking care of the world's water issues. We're figuring out innovative ways to make water accessible to everyone, every single person on this planet. Environmental justice is racial justice."

For others, including first-time voter Taylor Ens, 24, of California, environmental issues are a relatively new interest. His concern for the climate was low in past years, he said, but now it's a factor in his choice for president.

"Climate change is really important and really scary to me because it's something that impacts the rest of my life, and the people that are making decisions on it really don't seem to care that much," Ens said.

Sarah Oven, 19, of Phoenix, another first-time voter, is frustrated with politicians who don't deliver on promises.

"I want to see California actually getting aid for fires. I want to see Maricopa County actually make good on the heat island policies," Oven said. "Climate change is up on my list because we are running out of time."

Arizona's U.S. Senate race and climate change

If challenger Mark Kelly defeats Republican Sen. Martha McSally, Democrats will be one seat closer to flipping the Senate and declaring climate change a national priority.

In their only debate on Oct. 6, McSally, who was appointed to fill the late John McCain's term, and Kelly highlighted disparities between them on climate change.

"The climate is changing and there is a human element to it ... I've been leading on efforts to ensure we have an all-of-theabove energy strategy," she said. "We're finally in a place where we're energy independent. Let's use innovation, not what the left is offering."

McSally also referred to the Green New Deal, a congressional resolution to shift away from fossil fuels and toward clean energy resources and jobs, as the "green bad deal."

## Just before the election, poll on climate change suggests Arizona voters want more federal action, Cont.

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Kelly said Congress must extend the Solar Investment Tax Credit to create jobs and manufacture solar technology in-state.

"When this administration rolled back emission standards, and also clean air regulations and clean water regulations, we're going to have more polluted air and more polluted water," he said.

U.S. and the Paris Agreement

This month, the U.S. will officially withdraw from the Paris Climate Agreement. In the final presidential debate on Oct. 22, Democratic challenger Joe Biden and President Donald Trump defended their vastly different opinions on climate change.

Trump defended his decision to leave the Paris Agreement, saying it was unfair and would cost the U.S. "trillions of dollars."

"I will not sacrifice tens of millions of jobs, thousands and thousands of companies because of the Paris accord," he said.

Trump in the past has dubbed manmade climate change a hoax invented by the Chinese but has since shifted to declaring "science doesn't know" what may lie ahead for the planet.

"We have so many different (environmental) programs," Trump said at the debate. "I do love the environment, but what I want is crystal clear water, the cleanest air. We have the best, lowest number in carbon emissions." The U.S. did see a drop in emissions after the COVID-19 pandemic started in March, but emissions are back up. In fact, the U.S. ranks second for global carbon emissions behind China, according to the Union of Concerned Scientists.

"Arizonans recognize climate change as a national priority and are looking for candidates that have a bold plan on climate. One that also invests in clean energy jobs and infrastructure." Campos said. "These voters know that there is literally no time to waste on climate."

Biden promised he will have the U.S. "rejoin the Paris accord and make China abide by what they agreed to" in regard to keeping emissions low.

He said he plans to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050, work with every country on sustainable practices and "stand up to the abuse of power by polluters who disproportionately harm communities of color and low-income communities," according to his climate plan.

"It really has brought into stark relief for a lot of Americans the danger of ignoring science and expertise, which we've seen over and over again," said Naughton of 314 Action. "Ultimately, Americans look to scientists, they look at them as honest brokers, people who will base their conclusions on the facts and evidence. That really is what people are looking for this year.

## FAMILY LIVING

# Social Media and Kids: What Parents Can Do to Ensure Safe Use

(StatePoint) The negative effects of social media have been much discussed as of late, thanks to the recently released documentary on Netflix, "The Social Dilemma."

The documentary argues that while platforms like Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook have at times been used to facilitate social movements and meaningful change, they can also make people more anxious, polarized, and inclined to believe misinformation. What's more, according to the documentary, these apps are structured to make their users obsessed with them.

As many parents know, children can be susceptible to the most common pitfalls of social media, but there are some key steps that they can take to help ensure that children's usage remains balanced, healthy and safe:

• Sorting fact from fiction: Information about the world is often delivered via social media tools. Unfortunately, much of that content is actually misinformation. Parents can help stem the tide of "fake news" by teaching kids how to sort fact from fiction and pointing them in the direction of trusted sources of information.

• Privacy measures: An enormous amount of data is gathered by social media companies. Parents should teach kids to be wary of sharing private information and opinions online. They can also add privacy settings to children's profiles to ensure they are connected only to their friends and family.

• Social media and feelings: Social media usage can be an emotional roller coaster. Parents should consider having a conversation with children about the way social media makes them feel. As part of this discussion, parents can remind kids that while "likes" and nice comments may make them feel good, it's important not to rely too heavily on social media for emotional validation or real connection with friends. Unfortunately, cyberbullies and online "trolls" are active social media apps a sometimes unfriendly place.

• Monitoring usage: New tools are helping parents seamlessly monitor social media usage and protect kids from unsafe content. In fact, over 1.2 million families use the screen time management solution, OurPact. The app, which allows parents to block or limit app access automatically, gives families the flexibility to set schedules for usage around recurring activities like school and bedtime, keeping access well-balanced. Parents can even view screenshots of kids' digital activity. Available at the iOS App Store and Google Play Store, parents can also sign up for an account at www.ourpact.com.

While the ever-evolving social media landscape can make it difficult for adults to keep up with the way their children are interacting with these platforms, parents can help protect their kids by communicating regularly and by using new tools.



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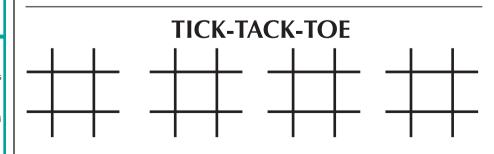




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#### Calah Schlabach Cronkite News

WASHINGTON – The Federal Communications Commission has granted broadband spectrum licenses to 11 Arizona tribes in what FCC Chairman Ajit Pai called a "major step forward in our efforts to close the digital divide on tribal lands."

The awards, announced last week, were the result of a "first of its kind" Rural Tribal Priority Window that gave tribes the chance to apply for and receive spectrum licenses at no cost. Those licenses – which can be used for high-speed wireless broadband – are usually auctioned off to the highest bidder.

The licenses "will open the door to economic growth and allow tribal families to work and learn remotely, access telehealth services, and stay connected to loved ones," Democratic Rep. Tom O'Halleran of Sedona said in a statement Wednesday.

The licenses give tribes "exclusive use of up to 117.5 megahertz of 2.5 GHz (gigahertz) band spectrum" they can use to get their communities connected. They will also give tribes a potential revenue stream, making them less dependent on private firms that are not always interested in developing the infrastructure to extend access to rural areas.

Tribes will be able to use the licenses to implement broadband infrastructure themselves or lease the rights to a third-party company to do the work. Either way, they have to meet certain benchmarks to retain the licenses: Half the population area covered by the license must have access to service within two years, and 80% within five.

Tribes may not sell or transfer their licenses before they meet the benchmarks.

The FCC announced the tribal priority window after tribal representatives last year complained to Congress that the agency was not doing enough to close the digital divide on tribal lands – a claim backed up by a report from the Government Accountability Office. The GAO report said 35 percent of people living on tribal lands lacked access to broadband in 2018, compared to 8 percent for Americans overall.

"Few communities face the digital connectivity challenges faced by rural tribes," Pai said in a statement on the license awards.

The National Congress of American Indians this summer hailed the tribal priority window as "one of the few inexpensive solutions to overcoming the numerous barriers that have prevented better connection to tribal areas, as well as preparing them for future high-speed connections."

The window was open from Feb. 3 to Sept. 2 – including a month-long extension due to the COVID-19 pandemic – and gave eligible rural tribes a shot at applying for broadband licenses before the rest of the available licenses were auctioned off. In a Senate hearing last year, Arizona lawmakers promised to keep the pressure on the FCC, and this week, some applauded the FCC for its action.

"Increasing access to high-speed broadband improves tribal and rural communities' access to health care, education, and jobs," said Democratic Sen. Kyrsten Sinema of Arizona in a statement Wednesday.

The FCC granted licenses to 154 tribes of the more than 400 that applied nationally.

In Arizona, winning tribes were the Colorado River Indian Tribes, Gila River Indian Community, Havasupai Tribe, Hopi Tribe, Hualapai Indian Tribe, Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians, San Carlos Apache Tribe, Tohono O'odham Nation, White Mountain Apache Tribe, Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe and the Zuni Tribe.

There's still hope for the three Arizona tribes who applied and did not get licenses this round: the Navajo Nation, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the Fort Yuma Quechan Tribe. The FCC is still reviewing applications and more licenses are likely to be forthcoming.

O'Halleran, whose rural district includes a large swath of reservation lands, said in a statement Wednesday that "families across rural and tribal Arizona ... often face the most significant barriers to digital connectivity."

"This year, the coronavirus pandemic has laid bare the digital divide that rural and tribal communities have struggled with for years," said O'Halleran.