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Hopi tribal flag (all rights reserve)
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Kykotsmovi, Ariz. – January 11, 2022 a notification was sent via the Hopi Tribal Inter-department email system by Royce M. Jenkins, Public Health Authority/Director - Department of Health & Human Services which read:

“We are in a Public Health RED ALERT on Hopi! STOP all unnecessary TRAVEL…
STOP all unnecessary visiting among your friends and family… STOP all Group gathers such as birthday gathering’s, etc., need to be limited! Don’t assume someone is vaccinated – ask! All unnecessary group gathering such as birthday gathering’s, etc., need to be limited to the number of individuals attending. Continue to mask, sanitize, social distance and get vaccinated!”

In addition to the email notification, Jenkins included the “HOPI TRIBE – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE – January 10, 2022 REPORT.” Nowhere in the January 10, 2022 was it noted that Hopi was in a RED ALERT status.

Approximately ten hours after issuing the notification, Jenkins sent another email notification which read:

“Hopi’s COVID-19 level cases continues to rise to its highest level to start the New Year today. The Omicron-fueled surge in COVID-19 cases has caused hospitalizations to increase across the county… All unnecessary TRAVEL needs to be limited! All Unnecessary visiting among your friend and family needs to be limited. Don’t assume someone is vaccinated – ask! All unnecessary group gathering such as birthday gathering’s, etc., need to be limited to the number of individuals attending. Continue to mask, sanitize, social distance and get vaccinated!”

The email also included the, “HOPI TRIBE – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE – January 11, 2022 REPORT.” Nowhere in the January 11, 2022 was it noted that Hopi was in a RED ALERT status.

On January 11, 2022 village community office personnel and a couple of Tribal Program personnel began sending out notifications, that due the “RED ALERT” notifications from the Public Health Authority, their offices would be limiting operational hours or totally closing and any scheduled appointments would be rescheduled.

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Local Hopi Woman Working Towards Elevating Reading Proficiency amongst Hopi Youth and General Public

Hopi Tutuveni Participates in Hopi Day School Book Club

Deborah Baker (Picture by original sender)

By: Romalita Laban, Hopi Tutuveni

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. – January 3, 2022 turned out to be a wonderful kick-off to the New Year for Hopi Tutuveni’s Managing Editor who was invited to participate in the local Hopi Day School’s January Book Club by reading a book about winter during the session, which was held via a ZOOM meeting.

Initially, Deborah Baker, Parent Liaison - Hopi Day School Parent Center, made contact with Hopi Tutuveni in December 2021 with the following invite and noting, “I am inviting you to be our special guest for our January Book Club session that will be on January 3, 2022 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. The topic is [Winter.] The highlighted book is The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats. I have asked all participants to share a children’s book about winter and possibly read an excerpt from the book. As our Special Guest, [You] can read the featured book or one you would like to share…We are now being aired on KUYI so this will be LIVE via Zoom. They are also recording these sessions for replay.”

It was also explained by Baker that, “Our discussions…will also center around encouraging families to make reading a priority in their homes…The Book club was designed for parents - to provide them tips on how to help their children become more proficient readers and provide them suggested readings on books. It’s also about how books can help parents teach their children about various topics. For example, we have highlighted children’s books on Veteran’s Day, Native American Stories, and future books will be on growing plants, poetry and/or featuring certain authors. I also try to have one of our teachers included in the session so they can add an academic perspective to the discussions. It’s turning out to be quite an adventure.”

The January Book Reading session was a very enjoyable time as it had the effect of evoking memories of winter and the good emotions that went along with recalling those times. The Hopi Day School Parent Center made for a pleasant visit because of the comfortable ambiance and home feel.

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Hopi Tribal Council First Quarter Session December 2021 Agenda

month of January 2022

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
3. Potential partnership and project with Basalt World Corporation for the Hopi Tribe – Wallace Youvella, Jr., Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages

NEW BUSINESS
1. Action Item #004-2022 – To approve contract with Antol and Sherman, P.C. to provide conflict counsel services to the Hopi Tribe. – Author/Marc S. Roy, Chief Judge, Hopi Tribal Courts
2. Action Item #006-2022 – Approval to incorporate quarters #169 and #170 into the Moencopi Day School P.L. 100 - 297 Tribally Controlled School Grant – Author/David Talayumptewa – Tribal Council Representative, Village of Kykotsmovi
3. Update on Tuba City Dump – Amy Mignella, Deputy General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel and Michael Goodstein, Attorney - **Time Certain – January 4, 2022 – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
4. Arizona Public Service Rate Case Appeal – Amy Mignella, Deputy General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel and Mr. Michael Goodstein, Attorney - **Time Certain – January 4, 2022 – 1:00 p.m.
5. Letter dated December 22, 2021 from Phillip Quochytewa, Sr., re: Follow-up to Hopi Tribal Council Resolution H-071-2021 to correct the Relocation of Employees of the Department of Natural Resources to the Turquoise Well/Tawa’ovi site – Dale Sinquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages
7. Letter dated December 20, 2011 from Ivan Sidney, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages; re: Hopi Law Enforcement documents pertaining to contract renewal – Albert T. Sinquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages
9. Hazardous Pay for employees, frontline workers – Clifford Qotsaquahu, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Bacavi

*Hopi Tribal Council may go into Executive Session on any agenda item

**Time Certain Requests

Corrections

Correction: In the January 7, 2022 Hopi Tutuveni Volume 30 Number 1 publication, the article titled “Hopi Tribal Council Approves H-004-2022 Continuing Resolution for FY2021 General Fund Budget Effective January 1, 2021” referenced an effective date which should have read “January 1, 2022” We apologize for any confusion this may have caused.
Hopi Tutuveni Participates in Hopi Day School Book Club Cont.

The Parent Center is currently placed in one of the residential housing units on the historic Hopi Day School campus. The unit, which housed school staff in the past, is now home to the Parent Center at which Baker has her office. Besides the Book Club session, Baker has plans for continued support of the parents via the center and other planned activities. Two other major programs Baker oversees are the Garden Club and Sewing classes.

What came initially as a one-time invite from Deborah Baker, Parent Liaison - Hopi Day School Parent Center, has now garnered the presence and participation of our very own, Larry the Cat, who has an Opinion Column in the Hopi Tutuveni. Larry the Cat has now accepted an invitation to read during the February 2022 Book Club session.

In her most recent January 14, 2022 Hopi Day School Book Club email to its Reading Partners, Baker has announced, “I would like to introduce you to the books that will be featured during the February Book Club Session. They are: “Who is Martin Luther King, Jr.” by Lisbeth Kaiser… “Here Comes Valentine Cat” by Deborah Underwood … The Guest Reader is “Larry the Cat.” Larry states he is a cat from the Hopi reservation that is a columnist for the Hopi Tutuveni. This column is titled, “Larry’s Corner.” Although “Larry” is the guest reader, you are welcomed to join the next ZOOM session and contribute to the conversation.”

Tejay Montgomery, Chief School Administrator expressed his excitement about Hopi Day School’s Book club and shared, “The greatest pleasures of reading is being able to share it with others.”

We look forward to a follow up report from Larry the Cat on how the Hopi Day School’s February Book Club Session turns out. For more information about Hopi Day School’s Book Club, readers can contact Deborah Baker at Hopi Day School Parent Center (928) 734-0351 and/or (928) 734-2461 and dbaker@hdshawks.org
Hopitribe Tobacco Education & Prevention Program Applauds Navajo Nation Navajo Nation Passes “The Air is Life Act”

Submitted by: Stewart Dukepoo - Hopi Tobacco Education & Prevention Program

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. – January 11, 2022, On October 19, 2021, historic legislation was passed by our Navajo Nation neighbors. The Navajo Nation Council voted 20 in favor and 3 opposed to enact the Navajo Air is Life Act of 2021. On November 06, 2021, Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez officially signed the act into law. This legislation prohibits the use of commercial tobacco products in enclosed, indoor workplaces or public places and within 25 feet of any indoor area across the Navajo Nation. This is significant because it sends a message that commercial tobacco and its use are unsafe and, now, not allowed.

The effort to seek legislation like this realized has been challenging. Locally, these efforts have been led by the Black Hills Center for American Indian Health, the Southwest Navajo Tobacco Education Prevention Project, and other partners and stakeholders. Theirs and other advocates of Smoke-free measures, including the Hopi Tribe Tobacco Education & Prevention Program (HTTEPP), have been a long and difficult journey but well worth the effort.

Hopi Tribal members visit and are employed by nearby Navajo casinos. In addition to entertainment and employment benefits, they can now enjoy a smoke-free environment. Twin Arrows, the nearest casino, hosts a number of conferences and meetings which accommodate Hopi needs.

Studies show that secondhand smoke can be detrimental to the health of visitors and employees, causing respiratory illnesses and a host of other sicknesses, including cancers. Commercial tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable disease. Annually it causes 480,000 deaths. According to the CDC data, people who do not smoke live approximately 10 years longer than people who smoke.

Every day 2,500 American teenagers try their first cigarette. Children who start smoking early in life have more difficulty trying to quit smoking during adult life. Commercial cigarettes have now become a part of Hopi ceremonial practices. Young men are invited to smoke, creating a hazard to them and others nearby. These young men may become addicted to cigarettes or other commercial tobacco products. Commercial cigarettes contain the highly addictive chemical NICOTINE and thousands of dangerous ingredients, and cancer-causing chemicals.

The HTTEPP applauds the passage of “The Air is Life Act” by the Navajo Nation. The HTTEPP is one of 30 Tobacco programs in the state of Arizona, of which 5 are tribal tobacco programs. The HTTEPP receives funding through the Arizona Department of Health Services. The goals of the HTTEPP are to educate the Hopi youth and community about the dangers of commercial tobacco product use as well as promote evidence-based cessation programs.

The HTTEPP supports and recognizes the use of Hopi tobacco (Piva) for medicinal and ceremonial/spiritual purposes. The scientific name for Hopi tobacco is Nicotiana Rustica which grows in wilderness areas in wetland areas. This tobacco does not have added chemicals or ingredients, and it is not used recreationally.

For further information, readers can contact Stewart Dukepoo, Program Coordinator. He can be reached at (928) 734-1151 or sdukepoo@hopi.nsn.us.

KYKOTSMOVI, AZ – January 11, 2022
This data is updated on the Hopi Tribe’s website “COVID-19 Response and Resources” page.

Hopi Health Care Center – Community COVID-19 Testing & Vaccination Information

COVID-19 vaccines are available mornings and afternoons for the month of December for those 5-years and older. To schedule an appointment call (928) 737-6148 or 737-6081. Appointments are required. For questions about COVID-19 vaccines call (928) 737-6198 or 737-6197.

COVID-19 Testing Drive-up Testing schedule:
Monday– Friday from 8-9:30am AND 3– 4pm. Enter at the west entrance & drive around back. Mask must be worn by everyone in your vehicle. Please stay in your vehicle at all times. To schedule for testing or for more information please call (928) 737-6233.

Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation – Community COVID-19 Testing & Vaccination Information

To all Moenkopi residents, Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation’s COVID-19 vaccine drive-thru clinic is now located west of the Health Promotion & Diabetes Prevention Center building next to the helipad. The vaccine drive-thru clinic is available Monday – Friday from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm with no appointment necessary.

Testing at the Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation is still being held at the outdoor tent Monday – Friday from 7:30 am – 4:30 pm. Rapid and CEPHE-ID tests can take approximately 3 hours. Send out tests can take 2-3 days. The address for Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation is 167 N Main Street, Tuba City, AZ. For more information regarding Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation’s COVID-19 vaccination clinic and testing, please call 1-866-976-5941.

As of January 13, 2022 the United States now has approximately 63,397 million confirmed positive cases with over 842,873 deaths reported. Over 1,542 million confirmed positive cases now exist in Arizona. Of those, close to 29,629 are in Navajo and 32,490 in Coconino Counties.


PREVENTION:
Below is some information regarding COVID-19 vaccinations, age recommendations, and boosters:

(TABLE ON PG 5)
“CDC is recommending that moderately or severely immunocompromised 5-11-year-olds receive an additional primary dose of vaccine 28 days after their second shot.” Remember that the only vaccine that 5-17 year olds are eligible for is Pfizer.

SOURCE: Different COVID-19 Vaccines – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

SYMPTOMS, QUARANTINE, AND ISOLATION:
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 and can range from mild to severe. The following are COVID-19 symptoms that people may experience:

• Fever or chills
• Cough
• Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
• Fatigue
• Muscle or body aches
• Headache
• New loss of taste or smell
• Sore throat
• Congestion or runny nose
• Nausea or vomiting
• Diarrhea

This list does not include all possible symptoms. CDC will continue to update this list as we learn more about COVID-19. Older adults and people who have severe underlying medical conditions like heart or lung disease or diabetes seem to be at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19 illness.”

Currently, the local health department and HHCC are implement the previously recommended CDC guidelines which is a 10 day isolation for those who test positive and a 14 day quarantine for those exposed to an infected individual.

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Be aware that when someone tests positive they became contagious 2 days before they developed symptoms, or if they are not experiencing symptoms 2 days before they tested positive not the day they received their results. If someone was less than 6 feet away from a potential positive case for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24 hour period they would be considered a close contact regardless of whether or not both parties were wearing masks. For example, Molly was within 6 feet of Craig on Thursday night for 10 minutes and on Friday morning for 5 minutes. Craig developed symptoms Saturday evening, was tested for COVID on Monday, and received their results on Wednesday. Because Molly was within 6 feet of Craig for a total of 15 minutes over a 24 hour period within the 2 day timeframe she is now considered to be a close contact. If you have been identified as a close contact you may or may not need to quarantine depending on your vaccination status.

If an unvaccinated individual that is not positive is having to take care of someone that is infected, they will need to quarantine for 14 days beginning on the infected person’s 10th day of isolation, with that day being Day 0 and the following day being Day 1. That means the caregiver could potentially be out of work for 24 days. If a vaccinated person that is not positive is having to take care of someone that is infected, they will not have to quarantine but will need to get tested 5 days from the 10th day of the infected person’s isolation. If a vaccinated person develops symptoms while caring for an infected person they will need to get tested as soon as possible and remain at home until they receive their results.

Re-testing of COVID-19 Positive Employees. Per guidance and alignment with HHCC, CDC, state and local health departments, and OSHA workplace guidance for COVID-19 re-testing of positive or suspected COVID-19 employees before they return to work, nor providing letters to go back to work is not recommended.

The recommended reason for not re-testing is an individual may continue to test positive on a viral test long after they are recovered from COVID-19. These dead viral particles will turn viral tests positive even though they cannot cause disease in others. The Hopi Health Care Center strongly encourages employers to use the CDC’s symptom and criteria below even if they continue to test positive. Once they meet the three criteria, they are no longer considered infectious to others. However, if the employee was severely ill (hospitalized) or in immunocompromised, please advise them to visit their primary care provider before returning to work.

The “checklist” below has been updated as of the most recent COVID-19 guidelines from the CDC and will be used by employers to determine when an employee with confirmed COVID-19 may return to work safely. For additional questions, please call the Hopi Health Care Center COVID-19 hotline (928) 737-6188.

□ It’s been at least ten days since I first had symptoms or received my positive diagnosis if I’ve not had symptoms (please note date of first symptoms: (_______)
□ Overall my symptoms have improved and I am feeling better.
□ It’s been at least 72 hours since I last had a fever without using fever-reducing medicine.

If you checked all three boxes, you are no longer a considered at risk to infect others and can go back to work!
Hopi Tutuveni wants to know how we are doing. Call or email us to tell us if we are doing a good job. We need your feedback.

928-734-3283
Cross Word Puzzle
Find the English words for the Hopi words.

Across
1. Ts’o’emti
2. Yu’am
3. Tuva
4. Silaqyu
5. Yu’uwi
6. Tuwanta
8. Kwaatsi
9. Qe’ti
10. Kwisto
12. Alóngta
13. Oñga
14. Haal’ay
17. Lonma
18. Paati

Down
1. Palkiwta
2. Himuyta
3. Tunös’unagwa
4. Himuyta
5. Qanaona
6. Qanaani
7. Tunatya
8. Tuwanta
9. Naawakna
10. Kyaktaynawakna
11. Tunatya
12. Aasa’
13. Wgwáwa
14. Kwankwangwayna
15. Kwankwangwayna
16. Kwankwangwayna
17. Kwankwangwayna
18. Kwankwangwayna

Answers for October January 7 issue

Across
1. White
2. Listen
3. Lightning
4. Laugh
5. Tell
6. Wait
7. Hummingbird
8. Babysit
9. Skil
10. House

Down
1. Winslow
2. Strong
3. Plaza
6. Sunny
8. Howellsena
10. Help
12. Wind
15. Rain
17. Yellow

Answers in next issue

Himuyta - Have
Tunös’unagwa - Appetites
Qanaona - Ambitious

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TICK-TACK-TOE
DO HOPIS HAVE HOBBIES?

I want to start by asking, do Hopis have hobbies like collecting matchbox cars, or collecting soda pop cans throughout the era, or maybe something odder, like collecting rocks that look like Wayne Newton? I know I have a decent hobby; I like to lie in front of a warm fireplace or the warm sun looking out the window, thinking of catching birds. I don’t know if that would be considered a hobby or just being lazy. I ask the question because I’m not sure that Hopis have hobbies. I mean, it doesn’t come up in conversation as much, or at all, it seems. We don’t have conventions for hobbyists out here on the Hopi reservation. See, the white man, they will have car shows, comic book conventions, or R.V. conventions, and that’s so cool. I’m not sure why man is so fascinated by moveable houses on wheels, either.

See on the Hopi reservation we don’t have those types of outlets, we don’t have car shows like the white man, all our cars are dirty inside and out, and we only have one kind of vehicle, which is a truck, that has one light working, and all the doors only opened from the outside handle. We don’t own classic cars like muscle cars or exotic cars from Japan because our reservation roads would ruin cars like that with one drive to our homes. The closest exotic vehicle we own is an 89’ Honda that worked ideally just in 1989, and now it just sits in our dirt-filled yard collecting dust and home to homeless dogs and rats. So, what sort of hobby do we have?

Well, let me start by defining a hobby as something you do in your leisure time and are happy about it. I’m pretty sure all the classic drunk Hopis reading this are saying, “I have a hobby, a drinking hobby, and I collect beer cans that make me happy.” But all in all, don’t blame the cat for his opinions. Blame the system of how things work; like VCR players, how do you set the time on those things, anyway?

So, in our homes, we are prominent collectors of clothes, and by that, I mean we have clothes that we wore once in high school. Like me, I am now a 30-year-old cat still thinking I can fit into those size 28 jeans. So now the jeans are just taking up space on that unique chair I have in my room. Now don’t lie, you know we all have this specific chair or couch that becomes the “clothes chair” that we pile our clothes on because we only wore that shirt once. It doesn’t go in the hamper but on the chair or couch to wear again. Yes, that chair, and everyone has that chair in their homes. I wonder if that counts as a hobby, or are we on a path to becoming professional hoarders?

So, I ask why we don’t have hobbies? Well, maybe because we don’t have outlets to grasp. We don’t have interests in the outside world other than what’s on T.V., which messes with our way of thinking about what leading stream society is. I observe that many of our children and adults don’t have a healthy hobby. I believe that’s why so many of us struggle to find an outlet here on the Hopi reservation. So, because of that, it might have an effect of seeming lazy to others. Or perhaps that’s where the stereotype of us Indians and how we look comes from…as if we don’t have a goal for the future, which makes us look like alcoholics or drug abusers to some…I don’t know.

I guess the only “conventions” we have are our traditional dances, and that is an outlet or a healthy outlet we can all attend. Lately, though, during this pandemic, we’ve lost out on our “conventions.” Yeah, I understand we’ve stopped for the health of the Hopi people, but keeping us safe from one sickness is one thing, but it opens our people to other social illnesses, and dealing with it mentally can be somewhat of a challenge for some.

I say, in our “off” time and this pandemic world, we should find a hobby to keep us sane and to keep us from losing our minds. Being straightforward, we could find and create a healthy hobby aside from “drinking the firewater.” Now, I’m not saying that we all do that; I’m saying that we like to gossip and that doing is what is discussed the most lately in my circle of cats.

So, can hobbies save someone from doing the firewater dance? Well, no, but at least it’s an excellent suggestion to combat this other long pandemic of alcoholism and drug abuse. In my cat opinion, we are that poster child of the “Red Man” that states “Kill an Indian Save the Man,” and we are on the right track to do that with our way of life if we don’t choose healthy hobbies.

My advice is that healthy hobbies are something to do to open your mind and to keep your perspective of life positive and maybe even when compelled to do something like the “fire water dance.” I know it’s hard to get interested in something that we are not interested in, but if we teach children early, it’s OK to collect stamps or 8-track tapes. That may be the saving grace. We can start saving them from a life of becoming the stereotypical “Red Man Who Likes Firewater” by introducing them to healthy hobbies. So, what sort of hobbies do you have, it may be a good hobby like collecting witch’s hats or old cellphones, but then again, my hobby is to lounge around in my footie pajamas.
JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

KUYI - Hopi Radio Job Announcements

Marketing Coordinator
Position Summary:
Primarily responsible for fundraising and resource development to maintain KUYI operations. Main focus is on raising non-Federal financial support through underwriting, merchandise sales, donors, contributions, planned giving, in-kind donations of goods & services, memberships, volunteer recruitment, and general station support through outreach. Works closely with The Hopi Foundation staff to ensure financial reporting and management of station resources and financial contracts.

Minimum qualifications:
Must have an Associate’s or Bachelor’s degree in marketing, advertising, communication, or business/financial management and at least 2 years of experience in sales, business/financial management, and/or non-profit fundraising. Must also have 2 years supervision or management experience or any equivalent combination of education, training, and experience which demonstrates the ability to perform the duties of the position.

Salary: Based on experience & qualifications; $25-30k/yr

Receptionist (Part-time)
Position Summary:
Responsible for providing clerical and general support to the station and program staff to ensure efficient day-to-day operations of the KUYI Radio Station and its entities. Also responsible for coordinating general communication from and to the public.

Minimum qualifications:
Must have 3 years of clerical and office management experience and a high school GED and/or some post-secondary educational experience OR any equivalent combination of education, training, and experience which demonstrates the ability to perform the duties of the position.

Salary: Based on experience & qualifications; $25k/yr

FULL JOB DESCRIPTIONS & APPLICATIONS:
HopiFoundation.org/jobs
Contact: 928-299-0452 • hannah.honani@hopifoundation.org
Benefits: 401k, vision, dental, and telework options available

Deadline to Apply: Friday, January 28, 2022

Minimum Requirements: Must possess valid driver's license; No misdemeanor convictions within the past 5 years and no felony convictions; Background investigation and fingerprinting may be required; Use of personal vehicle may be required.

KUYI-Hopi Radio is a project of The Hopi Foundation.

JOB OPENING

Representative Payee Advocate Position
Farmington, New Mexico or Flagstaff, Arizona

The Native American Disability Law Center (Law Center) is looking for qualified applicants for a Representative Payee Advocate position. The Law Center is a private non-profit organization that provides legal services to Native Americans with disabilities living on or near the Navajo and Hopi reservations. The Law Center is committed to ensuring that Native Americans with disabilities have access to justice and are empowered and equal members of their communities.

This position focuses on reviewing how the benefits received by people with disabilities are used to ensure that they properly support the recipient. An accounting or finance background with an Associate of Applied Science in Accounting degree or Certificate is preferred. The position will require detailed review of financial records & statements, the ability to work for extended periods of time analyzing & processing information, & the ability to interview beneficiaries & others. Applicants offered employment will require a Suitability Determination by the Social Security Administration to meet the requirements for access to confidential information.

Travel will be required. Preferably applicants should be able to communicate and interpret effectively in Navajo or Hopi.

Closing Date: Open Until Filled
Salary: $32,000 - $50,000 DOE

The Law Center is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

Preference is given to qualified Hopi, Navajo and other Native American applicants. Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

For an application and job description, please call 505-566-5880 or send email to info@nativedisabilitylaw.org. To apply, submit cover letter and resume to: Therese E. Yanan Executive Director Native American Disability Law Center, Inc. 905 W. Apache Street Farmington, New Mexico 87401 tyanan@nativedisabilitylaw.org

and the headline and date of the article on which you are commenting. Anonymous letters and letters written under pseudonyms will not be published. The Tutuveni Editorial Board reviews all submissions and reserves the right not to publish letters it considers to be highly sensitive or potentially offensive to readers, or that may be libelous or slanderous in nature.

OPINION EDITORIALS:
Submissions must be exclusive to Hopi Tutuveni and should not exceed 1,000 words. Include with your submission your name and complete contact information, along with a short 2-3-sentence bio.

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:
All press releases, articles, letters to the editor and Opinion Editorials electronically as a Word document or as plain text in the body of an email to the Managing Editor, Romalita Laban. Articles, press releases and editorials that include photographs must be in high resolution, 300dpi or more and must be your own. All photographs must include photo credit and a caption for each photo listing the names of all persons included in the photo and description of what the photo is about. (call 928-734-3283 for deadline schedule).

CIRCULATION
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**Natwani Coalition Job Announcement**

**Program Coordinator**
Position Summary:
Primarily responsible for coordination of Natwani Coalition programming activities. S/He will develop, maintain, and facilitate projects, communication, and community organizing to meet program goals with the support of community members, collaborators, Community Advisory Board members, and other interested individuals.

Minimum qualifications:
Three years programming and coordination experience; and An associate’s or bachelor’s degree; or Any equivalent combination of education, training and experience which demonstrates the ability to perform the duties of the position.

Salary: Based on experience & qualifications; Starts at $25k/yr

FULL JOB DESCRIPTION & APPLICATIONS:
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Natwani Coalition is a project of The Hopi Foundation.

**HOPI Substance Abuse Prevention Center Job Announcement**

**Program Manager**
Position Summary:
Primary responsibility is managing the Center and supervising program staff. This position is based in Kykotsmovi, AZ however services are provided throughout the Hopi community. Manager will facilitate program development, maintain HSAPC programming and services, and apply strategies for the unique and important work of the HSAPC, to ensure program objectives. Also ensures effective communication with partner agencies and the HSAPC Community Advisory Board. He/she will complete other duties and responsibilities, as assigned.

Minimum qualifications:
Must have Five years current and continuous sobriety; Three years management and supervision experience; Associate’s or bachelor’s degree; or Any equivalent combination of education, training and experience which demonstrates the ability to perform the duties of the position.

Salary: Based on experience & qualifications; $35k-40k/yr

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**Program Coordinator**
Position Summary:
Primarily responsible for coordination of Natwani Coalition programming activities. S/He will develop, maintain, and facilitate projects, communication, and community organizing to meet program goals with the support of community members, collaborators, Community Advisory Board members, and other interested individuals.

Minimum qualifications:
Three years programming and coordination experience; and An associate’s or bachelor’s degree; or Any equivalent combination of education, training and experience which demonstrates the ability to perform the duties of the position.

Salary: Based on experience & qualifications; Starts at $25k/yr

FULL JOB DESCRIPTION & APPLICATIONS:
HopiFoundation.org/jobs
Contact: 928-299-0452 | hannah.honani@hopifoundation.org
Benefits: 401k, vision, dental, and telework options available

Deadline to Apply: Friday, January 28, 2022

Minimum Requirements: Must possess valid driver’s license; No misdemeanor convictions within the past 5 years and no felony convictions; Background investigation and fingerprinting is required; Must have reliable transportation

HOPI Substance Abuse Prevention Center is a project of The Hopi Foundation.

**Notice of Request for Proposals Market Survey**

Notice is given that the Hopi Credit Association is requesting proposals from qualified marketing companies or individuals for development of a market survey.

Company Background/Introduction
The Hopi Credit Association is a certified Native Community Development Financial Institution Loan fund located on the Hopi Reservation in Northern Arizona. Our mission is “to enhance the quality of life by providing lending, financial education, and training opportunities for our Hopi Senom to become informed consumers”. We provide a variety of lending products and financial education to Hopi Tribal enrolled members.

Project Objectives
The objectives of this project include:
- Develop, administer, and analyze a market survey to understand who potential clients are and what current and future needs are.
- Provide executive summary to report findings of the market survey.

Target Geographies
Hopi Credit Association’s target market is Hopi Tribal enrolled members residing on the Hopi Reservation. We would also like the market survey to reach Hopi Tribal enrolled members residing in the State of Arizona to understand needs off the reservation.

Project Timeline
Final Project Due: May 31, 2022.
Submission Requirements
Proposals must be received by February 11, 2022.
Contact Information
Please contact for full Request for Proposal:
Alissa Charley
lisa@hopicredit.us or 928.738.2205

Hopi Credit Association reserves the right to reject any or all proposals for budgetary, conflict of interest, past performance, federal contract disbarment, or other reasons; to reject any or all submittals or portions thereof; to reissues this notice and to award the contract on a partial bases if in the best interest of the Hopi Credit Association.

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Kyrsten Sinema meets with tribal leaders

U.S. Sen. Kyrsten Sinema met with the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona recently to discuss the infrastructure investments for tribal communities and the Jobs Act.

The discussion, held virtually on Jan. 7, was an opportunity for the senator's office to better understand how to assist tribes with accessing funds and implementing programs.

“One of the first concerns I heard was ensuring that the funds that were allocated through the new infrastructure law are able to be dispersed to communities in a fast and efficient and effective way,” Sinema, an Arizona Democrat, said.

“The good news is my team has already started working with both the tribal communities and federal agencies to determine how best to get these funds flowing to tribal communities, whether it be through federal agencies or through self-governance agreements, to get them out the door as quickly as possible,” Sinema added.

She’s been accused of being a Democrat in name only. This week senate Democrats are pushing to advance a long-stalled voting, ethics and elections package but face an uphill battle without the support of centrists Sinema and Sen. Joe Manchin, of West Virginia.

Sinema says she originally co-sponsored the John Lewis Voting Rights Act but does not support amending the 60-vote threshold to advance the bill.

“Arizonans are also familiar with my long stated and firmly held belief that we must support the Senate’s 60 vote threshold that will protect our country from repeated radical reversals in federal policy,” Sen. Sinema told Indian Country Today.

Several tribes were a part of the infrastructure call including Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation, Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community, Colorado River Indian Tribes, Tohono O’odham Nation, Fort Mojave Indian Tribe, White Mountain Apache Tribe and the Hopi Tribe.

Gila River Gov. Stephen Lewis said he was thankful that Sinema was one of the senators who ensured tribal governments were included in meaningful ways.

“The main topic of discussion was the infrastructure bill and for Indian Country that is a significant investment,” Lewis said.

He said the tribe signed a new annual funding agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation that increased funding for irrigation projects and water delivery systems, helping implement the water settlement in the community. It increased from $20 million to $92 million.

“This funding is going to ensure that the Gila River Indian Community really can complete long standing water infrastructure projects that would’ve taken at least a decade,” Lewis said.

Sinema says she and other lawmakers ensured there was funding, $2.5 billion to be exact, to pay for all currently authorized Indian water rights settlements.

“And as you know, that’s a constant struggle to get Congress to approve the funding for those settlements. And every single settlement that is approved is now authorized to get full funding. So those are some of the landmark achievements in this legislation that wouldn’t have happened under a different type of bill,” Sinema said.

Roads were another topic discussed at the meeting. Lewis talked about an Interstate 10 widening project that will go through the tribe’s land in southern Arizona.

It’s a multijurisdiction project between the tribe, state and federal governments. And in this legislation we ensured that tribal governments received dedicated funds for the issues important in their communities,” Sinema said.

Lewis recalled when Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg went to the Gila River community last year and met with tribal leaders from Arizona.

“He made a commitment that he would make sure that tribes are included in the discussion and especially with the infrastructure funds to make sure that tribes are treated equally and that there is no hold up with funds,” Lewis said.

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“Our infrastructure law sets aside $2 billion of additional funding for the tribal broadband connectivity program. So this is additional funding over and above what we allocated in the ARPA bill,” Sinema said.

Lewis said tribes need more flexibility for spending money and called for support of Senate Bill 3011, which would allow tribes to spend COVID-19 relief funds in new categories.

Sinema says this investment in America’s infrastructure “also makes historic investments in tribal communities.”

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