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## Public Service Announcement

# Hopi Law Enforcement Services Currently Experiencing Phone Lines Issues

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Submitted by: LaVaun Dyer,  
Police Administrator, Hopi Law  
Enforcement Services

Or if at all possible, call  
from a landline phone to 928-  
734-7340.

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. – December  
2, 2022 Hopi Law Enforce-  
ment Services is currently  
experiencing issues with our  
phone lines.

Incoming calls from cellu-  
lar phones are being received,  
however, the caller cannot  
hear dispatch on the other end.

Please use the HLES alter-  
nate number if you experience  
this issue.

## HLES

**Alternate Number:  
928-497-1493**

We apologize for this incon-  
venience and are working to  
get this issue resolved.



## HOPI ARTS & EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

### SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

#### ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP

The Hopi Arts and Education As-  
sociation will be awarding three  
scholarships. Open to any Hopi High  
School senior/graduate or current  
accredited College/Trade School  
student who is registered with the  
Hopi Tribe (letter of enrollment is  
required) and has a desire to fur-  
ther their education as a full time  
student. Applicant must have a 3.0  
(GPA) or higher. Pursue a career in  
Hospitality, Culinary Arts, Business  
Administration or Accounting, Build-  
ing & Construction.

#### SUBMISSION INFORMATION

DEADLINE SUBMISSION: MAY 1,  
2023

Submittal of documents electroni-  
cally is preferred. Send to [csmiley@htedc.net](mailto:csmiley@htedc.net)

Or mail to: HAEA C/o HTEDC  
5200 E. Cortland Blvd  
Suite E-200-7  
Flagstaff, AZ 86004

Contact us for more information  
928-522-8675

#### APPLICATION PROCESS

- Official Transcript (current)
- Two letters of recommendation on letterhead preferred, within last 6 months, (Letters from family and/or relatives not accepted)
- Proof of letter of acceptance from school to attend in the Fall 2023
- List of honors/activities/communi-ty services (limit to one page)
- Professional head shot photo (4x6) in color
- Work history: List of any work his- tory that is pertinent to your career goals. (Include: name of employer, employer address, job title, dates of employment)
- Application Letter (450 - 500 Words) Include: Why you are seek- ing higher education; Your career goals and aspirations; How the schol- arship will help you with expenses to obtain you educational goal; Any additional information that you feel the Committee should consider in their selection.

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## Hopi Public Library Announces New “Girls Who Code Club” Continues in January 2023



### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Submitted by: Dinah Pongyesva,**  
Library Technician, Hopi Public  
Library

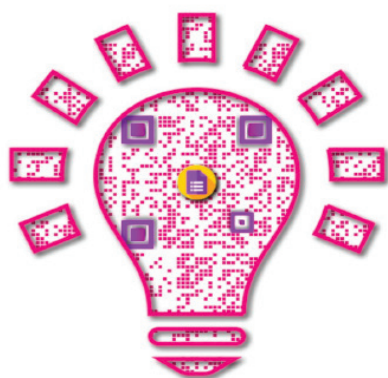
**Kykotsmovi, Ariz. – December 16, 2022** Hopi Public Library announced the development of the new “Girls Who Code Club” for girls in 3rd-6th grade.

Girls who join the “Girls Who Code Club” will learn the concepts of loops, variables, conditionals and functions that form the basis of all programming languages used by computers and devices.

The club will began on Wednesday, December 21, 2022 from 2:00-3:00 p.m. at the Branch Library, located in Building A, Room 2 at the Peace Academic Center in Kykotsmovi, Ariz. December Club times were from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

The Club will continue into January 2023 on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The Club ends with the January 25, 2023 session.

You may call the library at (928) 734-4500 or (928) 205-8073 for registration information. You may also go to <https://tinyurl.com/Hopi-GirlsWhoCode> or scan the QR Code below this press release to register.



## IMPORTANT NOTICE TO CURRENT HTGSP RECIPIENTS REGARDING SPRING 2023 AWARDS

### PRESS RELEASE

**Submitted by: LuAnn Leonard,**  
HEEF Executive Director

**Kykotsmovi, Ariz. - December 14, 2022** Hopi students being funded for Spring 2023 from the Hopi Tribe Grants and Scholarship Program (HTGSP) are hereby informed that due to manpower issues, the processing of Spring 2023 awards may experience delays. In an effort to process student awards in a timely manner, in January, we are reaching out to students to assist us by submitting Fall 2022 grades as soon as possible.

After receiving their FALL 2022 grade report the student needs to immediately forward their grade report via email or scan a copy and send via email to Rose Polivema at the HTGSP at [Rpolivema@hopi.nsn.us](mailto:Rpolivema@hopi.nsn.us) If there are questions, Rose Polivema can be contacted at 928-734-3543 or 928-675-8007.

Grades will then be logged in as received and sent on to the HTGSP Advisor who will determine the student's eligibility for a Spring 2023 award. Once a final approv-

al for Spring 2023 awarding has been received from the Program Administrator, the HTGSP will instruct the Hopi Education Endowment Fund (HEEF) to process the funds.

The deadline to receive the Fall 2022 Grade Reports is 5:00 p.m. January 6, 2023, however the sooner we receive your grades and determine eligibility the sooner your award can be processed. Failure to submit grades by the deadline will result in a delay in processing of a Spring 2023 award.

Dr. LuAnn Leonard, HEEF Executive Director stated “With Fall grade reports being issued as early as next week, the request for email submission of grades to the HTGSP by January 6th is not unreasonable. Students- this task is in your hands. Thank you in advance for helping us help you.”

If you have any questions you are advised to call the Hopi Tribe Grants & Scholarship Program (HTGSP) at 928-734-3547 or the Hopi Education Endowment Fund (HEEF) at 928-734-2275.

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## HOPI TRIBAL COUNCIL First Quarter Session December 1, 2022 AGENDA Amendment #3

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action – Letter dated March 31, 2022 Re: Village of Shungopavi's request for information regarding land lease, including ownership of the property comprising the Hopi Cultural Center – Craig Andrews, Vice Chairman, The Hopi Tribe – Tabled

2. Discussion and possible action - Letter dated by September 19, 2022 RE: Survey conducted by Hopi Elections Office from Dale Sinquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages – Tabled

3. Action Item #090-2022 - Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Arizona and the Hopi Tribe – Author/Donovan Gomez, Hopi Senom Transit - Approved

4. Action Item #091-2022 - Mutual Aid and Jurisdiction Agreement with the City of Winslow – Author/Mervin Yoyetewa, Chairman, Law & Order Committee -Approved

5. Action Item #093-2022 – To amend the Rules of Order for the Hopi Tribal Council to provide a streamlined process of the Tribal Council parliamentary procedures that will be followed during meetings of the Tribal Council – Author/Marilyn Fredericks, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Bacavi -Tabled

6. Interview for vacant position on the Hopi Election Board (1 candidate) – Completed

### XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Action Item #096-2022 – To amend the Position Description of the Executive Director – Author/Mervin Yoyetewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Mishongnovi

2. Action Item #088-2022 – To approve Office of Aging & Adult Services to submit renewal application for Title VI Funding for FY 2023-2026 for Nutrition Services and Family Caregiver Program – Author/Beatrice Norton, Office of Aging & Adult Services

3. Action Item #001-2023 – To accept and approve the Tribal Opioid Response Grant award from the Substance Abuse Mental Health Service Administration – Author/Laverne Dallas, Director, Behavioral Health Services

4. Action Item #002-2023 – To approve completed applications for Hopi Membership – Author/Meridith Van Winkle, Enrollment Coordinator, Office of Enrollment

5. Action Item #005-2023 – Hopi Tribe's FY 2023 Appli-

cation for Attorney's Fees and Litigation Support Program through the Bureau of Indian Affairs/Western Regional Office – Author/Fred Lomayesva, General Counsel, Office of the General Council

6. Action Item #006-2023 – To appoint Patricia Sekaquaptewa as Chief Appellate Justice of the Hopi Appellate Court – Author/Raymond Namoki, Vice Chairman, Law & Order Committee

7. Action Item #007-2023 – To accept grant award from the U.S. Department of Justice Programs, Office of Justice Programs, Office for Victims of Crime in the amount of \$719,669.00 for the Hopi Victim Services Program – Author/Tanya Monroe, Manager, Hopi Victim Services Program

8. Action Item #008-2023 – To approve a new Employment Contract for CLAUSE LAW, PLLC effective January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2025 to serve as the Lobbying Firm for the Hopi Tribe – Author/Timothy L. Nuvangyao, Chairman

9. Action Item #011-2023 – To approve a capital purchase of 2022 Ford Transit Mobility van in excess of \$60,000 pass the August 31, 2022 deadline for capital purchases – Author/Donovan Gomez, Transit Administrator, Hopi Senom Transit (Add-on – 12/05/22)

10. Action Item #009-2022 – To Thank and Honor Mr. Martin Clare – Author/Raymond Namoki, Member, Law & Order Committee – (Add on – 12/07/22)

11. Action Item #012-2022 – Tonto Apache Casino Loan and Management Agreement – Author/Anita Bahnimptewa, Member, Hopi Gaming Committee –(Add-on – 12/07/22)

12. Discussion/Possible Action – Appointment of Raymond Namoki, Sipaulovi Tribal Council Representative, to the Hopi Tribe Economic Development Corporation's Board of Directors, as recommended by the Investment Committee – Mervin Yoyetewa, Mishongnovi Tribal Council Representative

13. Discussion & Possible Action – Letter dated September 2, 2022 from Ronald Honahni, Governor, Upper Village of Moenkopi; RE: Request to Explore Gaming,

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**HOPI TRIBAL COUNCIL**  
**First Quarter Session**  
**December 1, 2022 AGENDA, contin...**

- in the Upper Village of Moenkopi – Leroy Sumatzkuku, Tribal Council Representative, Upper Village of Moenkopi
14. a. Letter dated October 6, 2022 from Archie Duwahoyeoma, Bear Clan Elder/Village Leader, Mishongnovi Village; RE: Musangnuvi Village Elections –Rosa Honani, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Sipaulovi b. Letter dated November 16, 2022 from Archie Duwahoyeoma; RE: Request for appearance for the purpose of updating the Council on the current governmental situation of Mishongnovi Village – Rosa Honani, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Sipaulovi
15. Interview 2 candidates for vacant positions on the Hopi Tribe Economic Development Corporation \*\*Time Certain – December 27, 2022 -1:00 – 3:00p.m.
16. Letter dated November 23, 2022 from Robert Charley; RE: Resubmission of Letter of Interest for Re-appointment in current position as Hopi Tribal Housing Authority Board of Commissioners – William Charley, Tribal Council Representative, Upper Village of Moenkopi
17. Letter dated November 18, 2022 From Dwayne Secakuku; RE: HTHA BOC Member Resignation – Danny Honanie, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Kykotsmovi
18. Letter dated November 9, 2022 From Dale Sinquah, Chairman, Water/Energy Committee – Dale Sinquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages
19. December 5, 2022 – to Suspend the Rules for the Action in Reduction in Force to the agenda to be acted on immediately – David Talayumptewa, Village of Kykotsmovi (Add-on – December 5, 2022)
20. Ratification of Council Committees – (Add-on - 12/07/22)
- XII. REPORTS
1. Office of the Chairman
  2. Office of the Vice Chairman
  3. Office of Tribal Secretary
  4. Office of the Treasurer
  5. Office of the Executive Director
- Updated Report – Directive – HTC Resolution H-058-2021
6. Office of the General Counsel
  7. Land Commission
  8. Water/Energy Committee
  9. Transportation Committee
  10. Law & Order Committee
  11. Investment Committee –
- \*\*Time Certain – December 27, 2022 – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
- a. Moenkopi Developer’s Corporation
  - b. Walpi Housing Management Agreement communications
  - c. Updating of the Hopi Tribe’s Investment Policy
  - d. Status of Moenkopi Developers Corporation Hopi Loan
12. Health/Education Committee
13. Department of Natural Resources – Carrie Joseph, Director, Department of Natural Resources - \*\*Time Certain – December 28, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.
14. Building Communities Update on status and objectives of Joint Village Strategic Planning - Letter dated November 9, 2022 From Brian Cole – William Charley, Tribal Council Representative, Upper Village of Moenkopi
15. Hopi Tribal Court Assessment Report by Shannon Edwards, Native Knowledge Harvest - \*\*Time Certain – December 29, 2022 – 9:00 a.m. – (Add-on - 12/27/22)
- \*Hopi Tribal Council may go into Executive Session on any agenda item
- \*\*Time Certain Requests

# January is National “Dry January Month”

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**By: Bernadean Kachinhongva, HSAPC Mentor**

**Kykotsmovi, AZ – December 27, 2022** The month of January is National “Dry January Month”. The HOPI Substance Abuse Prevention Center (HSAPC) would like to raise awareness of Dry January. This is a public health campaign designed to educate people on the increase of alcohol and substance use throughout the world. The COVID-19 pandemic has played a role in the increase of alcohol consumption.


Dry January was observed in the United States in 1920 after the eighteenth amendment was proposed by the United States senate in 1917. It went dormant for a while, the awareness has been increasing as of 2014. Individuals who recognized an increase in their alcohol consumption made the change by exercising this awareness. This awareness can be challenging for some individuals. If you are unsure of your relationship with alcohol consider asking yourself the following questions:

Am I using alcohol as a tool to cope with stressful situations?  
Do I find myself stressed out without it?  
How many alcoholic drinks per day or week have I consumed?  
Has my alcohol consumption impacted my personal and/or professional relationships?

If you answered “Yes” to any of these questions, please consider exercising this awareness. HSAPC staff encourages you to seek help and continue to abstain from alcohol and substance use. You are a valuable individual and we see your value.

The HSAPC staff would like to share some encouraging exercises that may be helpful in your journey with “Dry January”. First, create an environment where you’re going to succeed. Hide, throw away, and pour out your alcoholic beverages. Out of sight out of mind!! Second, recruit a friend, family member, and supportive individual to the challenge to assist you with your efforts. You can encourage each other and possibly recruit others to join the exercise/challenge. Third, schedule things that you enjoy doing. Examples can be cooking with loved ones, taking walks with loved ones, starting a new hobby you’ve been thinking of trying, or spending time with an elderly. Do your best to keep busy in a positive way. As a grant recipient of the Arizona’s Governor’s Office of Youth, Faith, and Family’s - Trauma Informed Substance Abuse Prevention Program (funds provided through SAMHSA), the HSAPC staff receive trauma informed care training and utilize strategies in our services. HSAPC mentors help individuals work through their physical, mental, emotional and spiritual healing journey. “We believe in honoring ourselves by living an honest, sober, balanced life”. Healing begins with you!

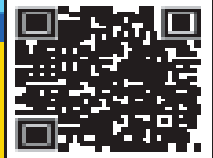
HSAPC mentors provide one to one mentoring services for youth and adults, group classes, community presentations, supportive programs for local schools, and cognitive restructuring for a positive recovery journey. All HSAPC services are free of charge, as we are a non-profit organization. We encourage all who are in their recovery journey to take it one day at a time; sometimes it’s one moment at a time. If you feel comfortable reaching out to HSAPC mentors, call 928-734-0300. You can also call Hopi Behavioral Health Services at 928-737-6300 to schedule an appointment, or call your local Behavioral Health facility.



## Educational Opportunity Centers

EOC is a northern Arizona program assisting adults 19 and older who are interested in pursuing a certificate, license, or degree at their local college. Our Coordinators can assist with GED, financial aid, and applying for college.

You can reach us at 928-523-3305 or visit our website at [nau.edu/eoc](http://nau.edu/eoc).




## The Hopi Tutuveni Team

# sends out positive energy to all during the NEW YEAR 2023!



# Hopi Law Enforcement Services

## PRESS RELEASE

### Hopi Law Enforcement Services to Increase Patrols to Stop Impaired Holiday Driving

Kykotsmovi, AZ – On December 29, 2022, between 4pm to 9pm, Hopi Law Enforcement Services (HLES) conducted four separate traffic stops which resulted in Driving Under the Influence charges for each of the impaired drivers. This served as a stark reminder that during the holiday season, there is a rise in impaired drivers making the roadways hazardous for motorists.

HLES will be increasing patrols in an effort to make the roadways safer by seeking out impaired drivers during the holiday season. HLES will also be conducting Safety Checkpoints from December 30, 2022 to December 31st, 2023.

The Safety Checkpoints are authorized by and follow guidelines set in the Hopi Tribal Traffic Safety Plan. Hopi Law Enforcement Officers will be checking for proper use of safety belts, child restraints and impaired drivers.

We wish you a safe and Happy New Year. Please stay vigilant and practice safe driving.

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#### Native American Disability Law Center Benefits Enrollment Center



Call Valarie Johnson at  
(505) 566-5880  
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Monday-Thursday  
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Are you living on a fixed income? Are you 65 or an adult (21+) with a disability? We may be able to assist you. You may qualify for programs that can help pay for food, medicine, and utilities.

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## Hopi Tribe Department of Health and Human Services Covid-19 Emergency Response August 26, 2022 Report (REPUBLISH)

Due to transitions occurring in DHHS the August 26, 2022 COVID 19 report was the latest data being provided for the public. Until DHHS and Tribal Leadership determines roles of the Public Health Authority, no reports will be submitted to Hopi Tutuveni. Hopi Tutuveni will continue republishing this last and latest Covid-19 Report received from DHHS. Although Hopi is still under Pandemic status and there are active COVID cases on Hopi, until the Hopi DHHS provides an update this is the only data Hopi Tutuveni has to report to the Hopi public.

### KYKOTSMOVI, AZ – July 20, 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 in the afternoons on Mondays and Wednesdays for the month of July for those 6 months and older. To schedule an appointment call (928) 737-6148 or 737-6081.

Appointments are required. For questions about COVID-19 vaccines please call (928) 737-6198 or 737-6197.

COVID-19 Testing Drive-up Testing schedule: Mondays and Thursdays from 8:30 AM – 9:00 AM. 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- 6187 or 6233.

A COVID-19 Hotline has been created by the Hopi Health Care Center to assist with all COVID-19 related questions and service requests. The hotline is open Monday–Friday from 8 AM – 5 PM. To contact the COVID-19 hotline please call (928) 737-6187.

WHEN USING AN AT-HOME TEST IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU REPORT YOUR RESULTS TO THE

COVID-19 HOTLINE AT HOPI HEALTH CARE CENTER OR TUBA CITY REGIONAL HEALTH CARE CORPORATION SO THAT ACCURATE DATA IS PROVIDED TO THE COMMUNITY.

### VACCINE UPDATE:

On June 17, 2022, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) authorized emergency use of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine and the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine for the prevention of COVID-19 to include use in children down to 6 months of age. For more detailed information please visit [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

TUBA CITY REGIONAL HEALTH CARE CORPORATION (TCRHCC) COVID-19 TESTING & VACCINATION INFORMATION:

Testing, and now vaccinations, at TCRHCC are being held at the outdoor tent Monday – Friday from 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM Daylight Savings Time. Rapid and CEPHEID 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. TCRHCC has at-home COVID-19 test kits available for the community. To request a test kit please go through the drive up tent from 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM Daylight Savings Time or go to the pharmacy drive up window after hours.

### FREE AT-HOME COVID-19 TESTS:

You can now order free at-home COVID-19 tests from the U.S. government at [covidtests.gov](https://covidtests.gov) by calling 1-800-232- 0233 (TTY 1-888-720-7489). Only 4 tests come in an order and only two orders per household. Orders will usually ship in 7-12 days. Please do not wait to order your tests when you have been exposed or become symptomatic as the tests will not arrive in enough time for you to be tested. So please order them now so that you and your loved ones can be prepared. Households that did not place their first two orders of test kits, can now place their first, second, AND third order. They must complete the ordering process above three (3) times to place both a first, second, and third order (for a total of 16 test kits; 4 kits for first order, 4 kits for second order, 8 kits for third order).

FREE N-95 MASKS: The CDC now has a resource on their website where you can see a list of local pharmacies that have free N-95 masks by using your zip code. Click here or call 1-800-232-0233 (TTY 1-888-720-7489).

### QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION CALCULATOR:

The CDC now has a Quarantine and Isolation calculator that helps determine how long you need to isolate or quarantine.

### 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.

### (GLOSSARY ON PG. 5)

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, plead advise them to visit their primary care provide 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.

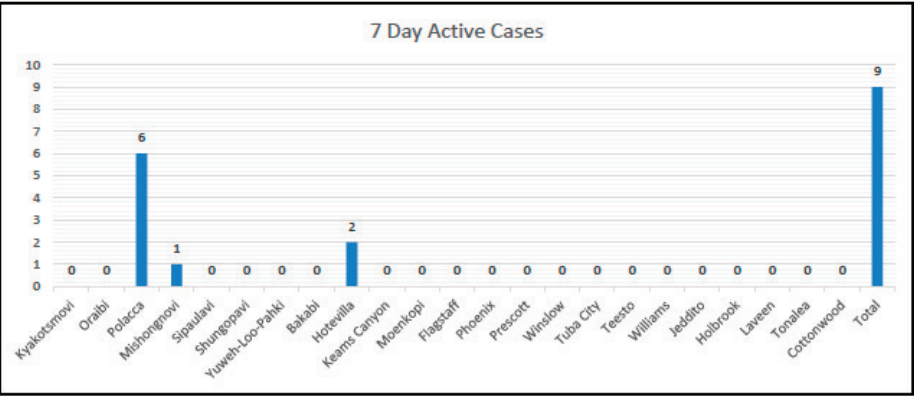
If you checked all three boxes, you are no longer a considered at risk to infect others and can go back to work!



Hopi Tribe Department of Health and Human Services Covid-19 Emergency Response, Cont. (REPUBLISH)

AS OF AUGUST 26, 2022 (Arizona and County Data Updates on Wednesdays)				
	U.S.	Arizona	Navajo	Coconino County
Cases	93,880,573	2,245,733	43,537	49,300
Deaths	1,037,953	31,047	932	491
Vaccination (Total Pop. w/ At Least 1 Dose )	79.1%	73.8%	54.7%	67.0%
Vaccination (Eligible Pop. w/ At Least 1 Dose)	83.7%	76.2%	55.1%	67.3%

	COVID-19 Positives Last 14-Days	COVID-19 Positives Cumulative Total	Most Recent Case
Kyakotsmovi	4	339	August 19, 2022
Oraibi	1	42	August 17, 2022
Polacca (Walpi-Shitcheumovi-Lewa)	15	723	August 24, 2022
Mishongnovi	3	223	August 19, 2022
Sipaulavi	0	121	July 22, 2022
Shungopavi	0	648	August 11, 2022
Yuwelt-Loo-Pahiki	0	16	July 28, 2022
Bakabi	0	112	July 10, 2022
Hotevilla	4	370	August 25, 2022
Keams Canyon	0	241	August 10, 2022
Moenkopi	0	365	August 11, 2022
Flagstaff	0	8	July 25, 2022
Phoenix	0	7	May 25, 2022
Prescott	0	1	July 20, 2020
Winslow	0	14	June 21, 2022
Tuba City	0	15	July 14, 2022
Teesto	0	2	October 7, 2021
Williams	0	1	May 11, 2022
Jeddito	0	2	June 13, 2022
Holbrook	0	1	May 27, 2022
Laveen	0	1	June 26, 2022
Tonalea	0	1	July 11, 2022
Cottonwood	0	1	July 15, 2022
TOTAL	27	3054	



VILLAGE	POPULATION ESTIMATE	NUMBER VACCINATED *	PERCENT OF POPULATION VACCINATED	VACCINE RANKING (HIGHEST = 1)
Bakabi	359	271	75.49%	4
Hotevilla	826	729	88.26%	2
Kyakotsmovi	547	706	129.07%	1
Mishongnovi	734	415	56.54%	9
Moenkopi	1,180	880	74.58%	5
Oraibi	239	178	74.48%	6
Shungopavi	1,269	874	68.87%	8
Sipaulavi	404	280	69.31%	7
Polacca	1,983	1,590	80.18%	3
Total	7,541**	5,923	78.54%	

# OF NEW CASES PER DAY							
	SAT 8/20	SUN 8/21	MON 8/22	TUES 8/23	WED 8/24	THURS 8/25	FRI 8/26
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Orayvi							
Polacca	1	1	2	1		1	
Mishongnovi	1						
Shipaulovi							
Shungopavi							
Yuwelt-paki							
Bacavi							
Hotevilla					1		1
Keams Canyon							
Moenkopi							
Flagstaff							
Phoenix							
Prescott							
Winslow							
Tuba City							
Teesto							
Jeddito							
Holbrook							
Laveen							
Tonalea							
Cottonwood							
TOTAL CASES	2	1	2	1	1	1	1



IN THE HOPI TRIAL COURT  
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In the Matter of the Change of Name Of:	)	No. 2022-CV-0052
	)	
Kaitlyn Kyarii Diane Mahkewa	)	NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
	)	OF CHANGE OF NAME
To	)	
	)	
<u>Kaitlyn Kyarii Diane Hayah</u>	)	

Notice is hereby given that Derick Hayah has petitioned the court for the change of name,  
from:

Kaitlyn Kyarii Diane Mahkewa to Kaitlyn Kyarii Diane Hayah

Any party seeking to intervene in said proceeding must file an appropriate pleading with  
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Dated this 24TH day of August, 2022.

*Margene Namoki*  
Margene Namoki, Clerk of the Court



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Fed budget means major moves for Indian Country

The omnibus spending bill includes an advanced appropriations provision for Indian Health Service and funding for housing initiatives for Native Americans

PAULY DENETCLAW • 21 HOURS AGO

**Pauly Denetclaw**  
**Indian Country Today**

President Joe Biden signed 65 bills into law Tuesday including several that will have serious impacts on tribal nations. Though he still has not signed an important one. The omnibus spending bill is expected to be signed by Friday, the deadline for the extension he signed last week to keep the government running.

Within the omnibus bill package is an advanced appropriation for the Indian Health Service that administrators are celebrating as historic. Instead of relying on federal budget approval at various intervals through the year, the health service will have secured funding through 2024, safeguarding healthcare funding even through potential government shutdowns, which has not been the case previously.

Sonya Tetnowski, National Council of Urban Indian Health president, said the package “is a historic moment for Indian Country over a decade in the making.” IHS has been chronically underfunded, despite treaty obligations that mandate the federal government provide adequate health care.

“We are confident that we can build on this win and continue our work toward full and mandatory funding for the Indian Health Service, fulfilling the promises this country made to our people over two centuries ago,” Tetnowski said.

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Cross Word Puzzle

Find the English words for the Hopi words.

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**Across**

2. Mamqasi

5. Sipala

7. Töövü

9. Tuutsama

10. Kiihu

11. Soohu

12. Sawya

13. Aahu

15. Pono

16. Moosa

**Down**

1. Mooho

3. Wipala

4. Sungwa

5. Tumna

6. Maqto

8. Mana

12. Muki

12. Tiyo

14. Sikwi

15. Tukpu

Answers in next issue

**Answers**

**Across**

5. Apple, 6. Arrow, 7. Tomorrow, 11. Tobacco, 13. Badger, 16. Language, 17. Drink, 20. Think, 21. Ladder, 23. Feed, 24. Turtle, 25. Nice

**Down**

1. Snow, 2. All, 3. Parrot, 4. Cattail, 8. Mustardseed, 9. Work, 10. Tea, 12. Bow, 14. Rained, 15. Breeze, 18. Ground, 19. Listen, 22. Drum

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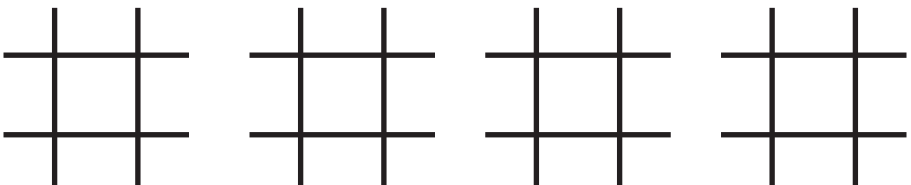


HOPILAVIT - EVERYDAY WORDS

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<b>HOPi WORDS</b>	<b>Kyesmismuyaw</b> - December	<b>Wiiki'yma</b> - Guide (Singular)
<b>Tuwi'yta</b> - Able (skillful)	<b>Pö'i'yta</b> - Debt (Have)	<b>Sivaqöppö</b> - Heater
<b>Yuki'at</b> - Accomplishment	<b>Öqala</b> - Determined	<b>Hopiiqatsi</b> - Hopi Way of Life
<b>Tukopna</b> - Accuse	<b>Alögö</b> - Different	<b>Nü'okwa</b> - Kind Hearted
<b>Hintsakpi</b> - Activity	<b>Hötsiwa</b> - Doorway	<b>Ngahu</b> - Medicine
<b>Pu'ason</b> - Afterward	<b>Hiihiko</b> - Drink	<b>Muytala</b> - Moon Light
<b>Qe'ti</b> - Back out of	<b>Nan'ip</b> - Each (of two)	<b>Tömö</b> - Season (Winter)
<b>Novaki</b> - Bakery	<b>Tutuqayiw</b> - Education	<b>Nuvati</b> - Snowed
<b>Tuptsiwni</b> - Belief	<b>Töövü</b> - Ember	<b>Nawini</b> - Suggestion
<b>Kwusiva</b> - Bring	<b>Tumal'aya</b> - Employee	<b>Tsangaw</b> - Thank Goodness
<b>Päato</b> - Burst	<b>Tunatya</b> - Endeavor	<b>Kyaamuya</b> - Winter (Solstice)
<b>Pitanakts</b> - Cap/Hat	<b>Naatsiki</b> - Factionalize	<b>Hihiiyà</b> - Wow!
<b>Sikiki</b> - Car (Auto)	<b>Qöppö</b> - Fire place	
<b>Kansulmongwi</b> - Chairman	<b>Saavu</b> - Fire wood	
<b>Namora</b> - Choice	<b>Tuuqayta</b> - Fluent	
<b>Iyoho'ti</b> - Cold (Weather)	<b>Qalaptu</b> - Get Over (Recover)	

TICK-TACK-TOE







Growing up on the reservation taught me that everything out here is tough to accomplish. I mean, living on the reservation... life is hard. You would have to work for everything from food to education and everything in between.

But when I was growing up, I don't think I ever paid attention to how life was for me then. When you're a mush head kitten, it seems you ignore the bad things in your childhood. Of course, we all have scars, but look at us now; we're entirely "NORMAL."

When you're a mush head kitten, you don't think about the bad things in the "now" REZ life, like drugs and alcohol. Back then, energy, as a simple force, was accessible. All you had to do was wait till your parents called you into the house. Or, you could eat at someone's house, and they would take you home afterward, right?

As kittens, we knew that there were drugs and alcohol in the village, but it was never a bother because it was frowned upon. We would make fun of the village drunks, and they would cower in shame for what they did. But nowadays, the entire village seems to be one big drunk person. And it's easy to be one big intoxicated person because you can buy alcohol and drugs on the reservation. All you must do is go next door and ask. Even the "grandma" next door will say, "\$20 for a bottle"... it's that easy.

It's strange because, in a short amount of time, drugs and alcohol have shaped and impacted the Hopi community drastically. The drunks we use to make fun of that cowered in shame seem to have no shame at all. When did that change? Now we don't make fun of them anymore. We say, "Daha is drunk again,"... and we go back to our daily business.

Younger kids already know what a drunken person looks like even before their first birthday. It's like we have engrained drugs and alcohol into our Hopi culture now, and we accept that it's part of our everyday tradition.

With drugs and alcohol now seeming to be part of our culture, killing and stealing acts are followed closely.

See, when I was growing up, I thought that killing and stealing were only on TV or in the big city. I would have never thought that those types of words would ever be used on the Hopi reservation because it was never part of our vocabulary when I was growing up. But now we hear that every day in the community and on Facebook. Of course, we have a legal system that tries to improve our "problem" but even that is broken and when you have an entire reservation full of drugs and alcohol, the problem seems to be growing from generation to generation.

So how can we solve this reservation-wide problem? That is one question I don't have a solution for. It's like trying to solve a division problem that we haven't seen in over 20 years. We cannot solve it, but that doesn't mean there isn't a solution. It just means that this problem is something that the entire reservation must come up with and not just a single person or group.

Of course, in schools, we teach our children about the dangers of drugs and alcohol by showing them what could happen to them if they do "go down that path." And it seems somewhere down the road, they will eventually try drugs and alcohol, and some will become addicted and others will not, but I guess it's how we are all raised. Do we accept that drugs and alcohol are part of the Hopi culture now? Or do we put a barrier between us to not see the absolute truth?

When I think of the word "STEAL," it seems that it is always used on Facebook. Every time I read it, it will say something like, "Someone stole my Hopi belt" or "Someone stole my grandma's walker." We are getting to the point where "BIG CITY" problems are becoming our problems. Why don't we do anything about it? Well, I say it's because we know that person's grandmother, grandfather or relative and they are good people. We are all scared to accuse someone of stealing because of the thought of what might happen if we accuse someone for stealing.

I'm pretty sure that a long time ago, when a Hopi per-

son was caught stealing, it was dealt with in a village setting where the person who stole something would do something to work off their debt to the community. Or that person would be shamed into not stealing anymore by having their behavior corrected by the village and not just an individual. But it's not like that anymore; we are a close community, yet we are miles apart because we don't know who our neighbors are anymore.

Of course, we have several groups who educate the community about the dangers of drugs and alcohol, and I applaud them for that. At least they are trying to make a change for our Hopi people. But, when you have just a simple group trying to make a change, it is not enough to make a dent, but they try, and they will continue to educate the Hopi community about the dangers of drugs and alcohol. Every Hopi family here on the Hopi reservation has a person who drinks those lives with them, and it seems that we are forced to accept them as they are.

So, let me ask, is it ok to do that? Is it ok to treat them like this is part of our culture now? So, what can we do? I guess that's something we must "individually" come up with as a solution. Sometimes we will try to come up with answers like rehab centers or more PSA's about the "DANGERS OF DRUGS AND ALCOHOL,"... but are they working? How can we keep the dangers of drugs and alcohol away from kids?

I advise you that drugs and alcohol are touchy subjects on the Hopi reservation. Some will not want to look at the truth of this epidemic, and some will try to improve the problem. Educating our younger generation about these problems is one thing. Eventually, they will not be mush heads anymore, so they will have to be the ones to come up with their solution to this problem. All we can do is try to make sure we are all adults and show our younger generation that there is still hope in this Hopi world of ours and one without so much of an impact from drugs and alcohol if we could just choose not to use either one, even for one day at a time.

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ICT worked hard in 2022 bringing you special projects with big-picture perspectives on issues that matter to Indian Country.

We wrote about economy inequities, boarding schools, the Indian Child Welfare Act and unfair taxation. We went to Pine Ridge to dig deeper into one school's efforts to address its boarding school past. We wrote about green energy, jobs of the future and jobs of the past, and what drives the economy in Indian Country. We formed partnerships and collaborations with other news organizations to combine resources and broaden the reach of our coverage.

Here are some key projects produced by ICT in 2022.

**The Indigenous Economics Project**

Editor-at-large Mark Trahant spent the entire year examining economic issues in Indian Country as part of the Indigenous Economics Project, funded with a major grant from the Bay and Paul Foundations. He looked at inequities in remote work, how tribal gaming is often overlooked by commercial interests, why so few Indigenous people serve on corporate boards. He wrote about the economics of coal,

climate change and job opportunities. And he will be continuing his work into 2023. Read more from the Indigenous Economics Project.

**Buried Secrets: America's Indian Boarding Schools**

ICT partnered with Reveal to investigate Indian boarding schools, a seven-month review that resulted in a two-part podcast and a companion digital story. ICT national correspondent Mary Annette Pember - who has covered boarding schools for decades - focused on Red Cloud Indian School in Pine Ridge, South Dakota, and the Truth and Healing effort it has launched to address its boarding school history. We found details in archived records that had never been publicly revealed and identified at least one unmarked grave on school grounds. Read more about Pember's findings and listen to the podcasts.

**At the Crossroads: The State of the Economy in Indian Country**

ICT joined with the Institute for Nonprofit News and nine other news partners to produce a 10-part series that examined jobs and business in tribal communities. ICT took the lead on the project but joined with other nonprofit

and tribal news organization to write about renewable energy, the oil and gas boom, uranium contamination, lithium mining, tribal partnerships, whether tribes should diversify beyond gaming, tribal enterprises including cattle and sports teams, and how getting a job can punish some tribal citizens by eliminating important benefits. Read the stories produced for *At the Crossroads*.

**Indian Child Welfare Act**

ICT's Mary Annette Pember also tackled in 2022 the Indian Child Welfare Act, which is facing an important legal challenge before the U.S. Supreme Court that could have broad implications for tribal sovereignty. A ruling is expected in the spring of 2023. Read more.

**Tribal Taxation**

In another collaboration, ICT worked with the Center for Public Integrity to produce a comprehensive story examining the efforts of state and local governments to encroach on tribal lands with taxes. It cuts tribes out of important revenue and puts an undue burden on tribal business and citizens. ICT's national correspondent Joaquin Estus in Alaska contributed to the project. Read more.



# Fed budget means major moves for Indian Country, continued...

*The omnibus spending bill includes an advanced appropriations provision for Indian Health Service and funding for housing*

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William Smith, president of the National Indian Health Board, agreed.

“This historic decision comes not a moment too soon as Indian Country continues to be plagued by an ongoing health crisis that affects all of our communities,” Smith said. “This week’s action represents a meaningful step taken by the United States towards fulfilling its trust and treaty responsibilities to Tribal Nations and we are grateful for it as we continue to call on the United States to make good on all of its promises made to our ancestors so that our communities may continue to thrive.”

The \$1.7 trillion spending bill would finance federal agencies through September and would provide advanced appropriations for the Indian Health Service and avoid a partial government shutdown cleared the U.S. House last Friday.

The bill passed mostly along party lines, 225-201. It now goes to President Joe Biden to be signed into law, where it is likely to be signed. Right now, the differences between the House and Senate version of the bill are being resolved.

The bill runs for 4,155 pages, not including amendments the Senate added. The budget provides funding for Indian Health Service for fiscal year 2023 at \$6.9 billion and for advanced appropriation for fiscal year 2024 at \$5.1 bil-

lion, which will become immediately available on Oct. 2, 2023.

The bill’s passage came only hours before financing for federal agencies was set to expire. Lawmakers had passed two stopgap spending measures to keep the government operating, and a third, funding the government through Dec. 30, passed Friday and was signed by Biden.

The massive bill wraps together 12 appropriations bills, aid to Ukraine and disaster relief for communities recovering from hurricanes, flooding and wildfires. It also contains scores of policy changes that lawmakers worked to include in the final major bill considered by the current Congress.

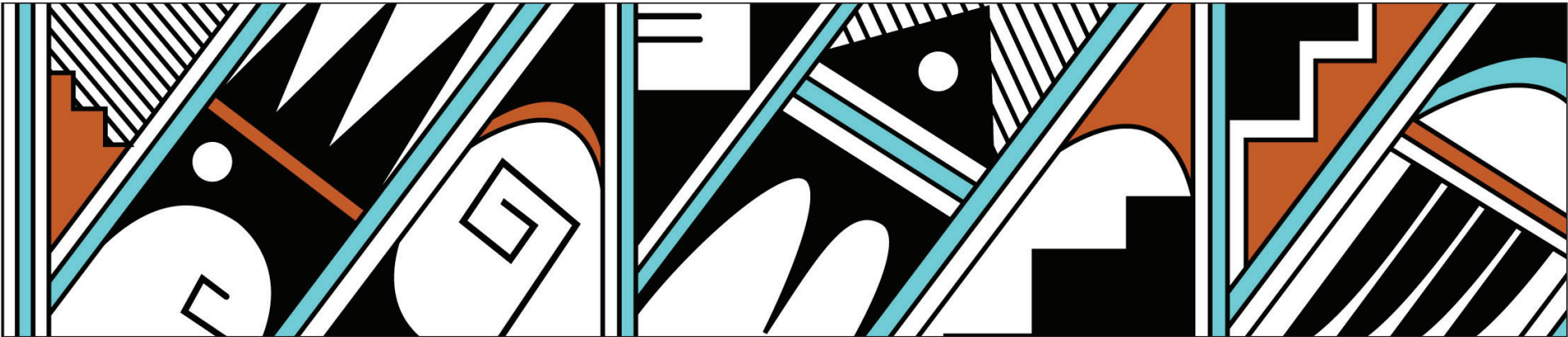
Lawmakers provided roughly \$45 billion for Ukraine and NATO allies, more than even Biden requested, an acknowledgment that future rounds of funding are not guaranteed with a new GOP-led House.

The bill would also bring over \$1 billion in funding for Native American housing programs. It would provide millions for the Indian Housing Block Grant Program, Indian Community Development Block Grant Program and the Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant Program. Over a half a million dollars would be allocated to fund initiatives to address violence against Native American, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian women. Nearly \$350 million

would go to Indigenous language and culture preservation. Climate change is disproportionately affecting Indigenous nations, \$289 million would go to addressing those challenges. Lastly, \$74 million would go to water projects for Indigenous communities.

**BY PAULY DENETCLAW**

Pauly Denetclaw, a citizen of the Navajo Nation, is Haltsooi (Meadow People) born for Kinyaa’aanii (Towering House People). An award-winning reporter based in Gallup, New Mexico, she has worked for the Navajo Times and Texas Observer covering Indigenous communities, and her radio pieces have aired on KYAT, National Native News, NPR’s Latino USA and Texas Public Radio. She is a board member of the Native American Journalist Association. Follow her on Twitter, @pdineclah.





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