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Construction of comfort station project moves ahead in central part of Siletz

By Eli Grove, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

The Tribe has been working on many projects during the last nine months, including a big one we are calling the comfort station project.

If you have noticed the construction and equipment on the corner of Highway 229 and Logsden Road in Siletz, you have witnessed the project under way. It is composed of two separate buildings side by side.

One building will be a laundry with seven commercial-sized washers and dryers. The second one will be a restroom and shower facility with six restrooms and six showers. Both buildings will be surrounded by a sidewalk and fully ADA accessible.

This project was made possible via CARES Act funding and a grant that our Community Health team received from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Leadership had wanted a facility like this, separate from the restrooms and showers on the pow-wow grounds. This location is centralized within the community and will be much more accessible for use.

The goal behind this project is to have a facility that can serve the community when needed. As we reflect back on 2020, facilities like this have been needed, from



Photo by Andy Taylor

Construction continues in mid-January on the two buildings of a new comfort station in Siletz

sheltering efforts due to wildfires to Tribal member displacement and many other issues surrounding COVID-19.

The structures are built to be highly resilient to natural disasters, which serves an additional need during emergencies. Not every use for the buildings has been set in stone at this time, but they will support many Tribal programs, particularly the Community Health Program.

These facilities will not be open 24/7 and if used, will be staffed by Tribal

employees. By design, these structures do not promote loitering and will be carefully monitored via other security measures.

The washing machines will be operated by a card reader system, similar to a credit/debit card machine. This feature promotes security and is convenient for individuals using the facility.

The timeline for project completion is set for late February but this could change, depending on the weather. In early January, the foundations for each building were being poured and all utility connections were in place, to be followed by the walls going up and vertical construction taking place.

Contractors are not staying on-site and have been instructed to take all of the necessary COVID-19 precautions within our communities during their time spent here. Additionally, they have been instructed to keep the site clean throughout the process.

To date, there have been no compliance issues and the project is on schedule. Upon completion, a follow-up article will appear in *Siletz News*.

Biden administration quickly revokes illegal KXL permit

On Jan. 20, 2021, President Joe Biden signed an Executive Order revoking the Keystone XL (KXL) pipeline permit issued by the Trump administration.

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe (Sicangu Lakota Oyate) and the Fort Belknap Indian Community (Assiniboine (Nakoda) and Gros Ventre (Aaniiih) Tribes) along with their counsel, the Native American Rights Fund, applaud the Biden administration's action to revoke the illegally issued KXL permit.

Early in his presidency, President Donald Trump made it a priority to issue permits for the questionable KXL project without the required Tribal consultation, environmental review or consideration for treaty rights. It was a blatant attempt to prioritize corporate interests over the health and well-being of the region's citizens and Tribes' authority to govern their lands and protect their citizens.

Rosebud Sioux Tribe President Rodney M. Bordeaux spoke to the KXL issue, "In approving the Keystone XL pipeline, the federal government repeatedly ignored treaty rights, Tribal sovereignty and widespread opposition to push forward the interests of a foreign oil and gas company. Revoking the illegally issued pipeline permit is a start, but we call on the Biden administration to do more, to go further, to respect the rights of Native peoples and improve the relationships between Tribes and the federal government."

"Our land, water and people are under direct threat from the KXL pipeline. It is a project that has moved forward without regard to legality or safety. Our water sources are threatened by the dirty tar sand crude, our ancestral homelands are in the direct path of the pipeline and our people already are suffering the effects of nearby construction worker man camps. Revoking the Trump administration's illegal permit is a necessary first step towards fixing this situation," explained Andrew Werk Jr., Fort Belknap Indian Community president.

NARF Staff Attorney Matthew Campbell added, "The Rosebud Sioux Tribe and Fort Belknap Indian Community have both poured tremendous effort and resources to defend their treaty rights and the safety of their Tribal communities during the last few years. President Biden's action today is an important first step in correcting the callous disregard for Tribal sovereignty that has flourished in recent years. We look forward to working with the new administration to ensure that, going forward, Native peoples are included in decision-making discussions and policy development that affect their land, people and treaty rights."

With Trump's illegal permit revoked, the Tribes plan to continue their efforts to ensure that TransCanada, and its proposed Keystone XL project, follows all applicable laws that are in place to protect Tribal people and ancestral lands.

See information about the COVID-19 vaccine on page 10.

Tribal Planning Department Community Meetings

Remaining Meetings – Dates and Locations Virtual only – No in-person attendance

Thursday, Feb. 11 – Salem Area Office Thursday, Feb. 25– Portland Area Office

General Schedule for Evening

5 p.m. – ZOOM Log-in
Tribal Cartography – Ian Keene
5:15 – Welcome (Jessica/Pam) & Prayer; TBD
Request for Agenda Items for Community Discussion
5:30 – Agenda
Housing Update - Staff

Clinic – Vaccine Update - Staff
CEDARR –Community Resources – Jacob Reid
Community Survey: Outcomes Overview – Terry Altemus
Transportation Plans and Projects Update – Pam Lind
6:30 – Community Discussion
7 p.m. – End of meeting

For more information, contact Tribal Planner Pam Lind at 541-444-8361; Planning Clerk Danise Barker, 541-444-8257; or Data Coordinator Terry Altemus, 541-444-8271.

Zoom link for Salem Area Office Meeting https://zoom.us/j/97492213373? pwd=Rk10Wlp3ODMvdDFjT1ZYbWwyNGp2UT09

Zoom link for Portland Area Office Meeting https://zoom.us/j/94355610862?pwd=RFdhTFliZktydnpQOGRr Mnl6a2pOdz09 Tribal Council has had an eventful month. We watched the Insurrection at the U.S. Capitol and eventually the approval of the electoral vote, culminating with the inauguration of President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris. The new administration is in place and we look forward to working with some old friends and meeting some new folks.

We are pleased that Rep. Deb Haaland (D-NM), the first Native woman to serve in this capacity, has been asked to serve as Secretary of the Interior. Her experience, knowledge and background serve her well. She must still be confirmed by the U.S. Senate and we look forward to her confirmation.

Memorandum of Understanding – City of Salem

On the Jan. 19, Bud Lane and I met with Mayor Robert Bennett of Salem to sign an MOU with the City of Salem. The purpose of the MOU is to strengthen the government-to-government relationship between the City of Salem and the Siletz Tribe. The city recognizes the historic and active connection the Tribe has in Salem and the surrounding area.

Oregon State University

On Jan. 21, the Tribal Council hosted a meeting with F King Alexander, the new president of Oregon State University. He came from Louisiana State University and has been in Corvallis for about six months.

We were pleased to have OSU reach out to the Tribe for this meeting. The council and staff discussed many issues that relate to recruiting and retention of students at OSU. The school is very interested in visiting the Tribe and students to assist in planning for their future.

COVID-19

We are still in the midst of fighting this pandemic. I am pleased to report the clinic has administered all the vaccines it has received so far. We expect more shipments and will continue to provide vaccines as long as our supply lasts. We've received assurance that the supply is adequate. Appointments are currently being scheduled at the clinic.

The governor and her staff continue to meet with the Tribes to keep us informed on the latest COVID information.

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Deadline for the March issue is Feb. 10.

Submission of articles and photos is encouraged.

Please see the Passages Policy on page 20 when submitting items for Passages.



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Gov. Kate Brown

The governor hosted a meeting with Oregon's nine Tribes to discuss the state's, or the governor's, gaming policy.

I have to say there has never been an express policy on gaming in the state of Oregon. All nine Tribes have entered into compacts with the state in order to operate Class III gaming in their casinos. Each Tribe's compact is different.

As sovereigns, each Tribe has the ability to exercise the right to follow the law, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, to establish a casino. It is our belief there is a legal process to follow that includes consultations on many levels with the state and local governments. If the process is approved by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the National Indian Gaming Commission, it then goes to the governor for concurrence, approval or not.

Our Tribe is currently in that process and we are counting on following this process through to the final determination on our application for a casino in Salem.

Tribes were called upon to discuss with the governor their positions. Not all Tribes agree with the proposed policy of one casino per Tribe as a couple of Tribes already have two casinos. The governor said she would rethink her proposed position.



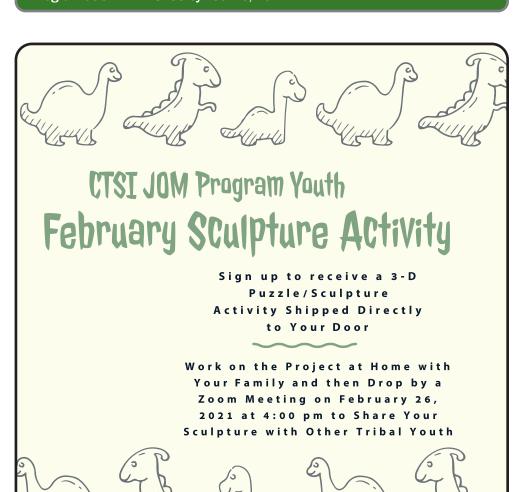
Delores Pigsley

Tribes discussed the lottery and the effect the lottery has on Tribal casinos. The lottery is the Tribal casino's biggest competitor. We agreed that we need to find a way to work together and have more frequent meetings with this kind of discussion. We are thankful Gov. Brown makes the time in her busy schedule to meet and talk with Tribes on very important issues.

I miss seeing and visiting with you all in person and hope we can do that in the near future.

Elders Council Meeting

The Elders Council will hold a virtual Zoom meeting on Saturday, Feb. 13, 2021, at 1 p.m. If you are interested in participating in the virtual meeting from your phone, computer or smart phone, please contact Brian Crump in the Elders Program at 541-444-8233 by Feb. 10, 2021.



Sign Up by February 16, 2021

Specialist

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Your Local Education

February 2021

Helping our children stay strong and resilient during time at home for pandemic

Virtual story time and activities hosted by the 477 Self-Sufficiency Program

Life during COVID-19 has been stressful for all of us, including our children. Yet we are strong and resilient people and can help our children stay strong and resilient during COVID-19.

Families can choose to attend the live

Zoom event on Wednesday, Feb. 24, at 6:30 p.m. OR Saturday, Feb. 27, at 11 a.m. The book, *Our Smallest Warriors*, *Our Stron-*

from the Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health, will be read followed

gest Medicine: Overcoming COVID-19

by some discussion and activities.

Families will receive a printed and bound copy of the book and COVID-19 prevention supplies, and may be eligible to win a door prize such as a game night basket to help make family time fun.

This event is open to all Siletz Tribal families with children in the 11-county service area. The Zoom link will be sent to those registered a day or two before the event.

For more information or to register, contact Lori Christy in the Salem Area Office at loric@ctsi.nsn.us or 503-390-9494.



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January 12, 2021

TO: Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians Employees

FROM: Gerald L. Smith, General Manager Character 2. Smoth

SUBJECT: Years of Service Recognition

The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians Tribal Council and I realize that our employees are our greatest asset and we wanted to take this opportunity to recognize and honor your years of service and the dedication and commitment to the Siletz Tribe. Today, we celebrate with you and recognize your individual and collective contributions.

- <u>5 years of service</u>: Nicholas Vandersloot, Kira Woosley, Dennis Green, Sheila Aviles, Andulia WhiteElk, Darin Rilatos, Jennifer Kehret, Natasha Smith, Denise Garrett, Kimberly Lane, James Williams, Peter Hatch, and Kevin Barker.
- 10 years of service: Danise Barker, Chasta Marceau, Cassandra Godwin, Melissa Strickler, and Sami Difuntorum.
- 15 years of service: Marcos Muniz-Strong, David Goodell, Margaret McAfee, Celesta Lee, and Rachelle Endres.
- 20 years of service: Marci Simmons, Cecilia Tolentino, Joyce Retherford, Anna Renville, and Sara Bell-Tellez.
- 25 years of service: Dianne McLeod, Kelly Lane, and Marci Muschamp.
- 30 years of service: Kathleen Holland, Beverly Youngman, Sonya Moody-Jurado, Debra Williams, and Beverly Owen
- 35 years of service: Joella Strong
- 40 years of service: Sharon Edenfield

Thank you for being such a valuable member of our team. We wish you the best for continued success!

USDA distribution dates for February

Siletz

Monday	Feb. 1	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Tuesday	Feb. 2	9 a.m. − 3 p.m.
Wednesday	Feb. 3	9 a.m. − 3 p.m.
Thursday	Feb. 4	9 a.m. − 3 p.m.
Friday	Feb. 5	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Salem

Feb. 16	1:30 - 6:30 p.m
Feb. 17	9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m
Feb. 18	9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m
Feb. 19	By appt only
	Feb. 17 Feb. 18



Beef and Broccoli

1/4 cup vegetable oil*
1/4 cup vinegar
2 teaspoons black pepper
1 teaspoon garlic powder
1/4 teaspoon cayanne pepper
2 pounds beef roast, cut into 1" cubes*
1 yellow onion, sliced thin*
1-2 pounds broccoli florets*
1/2 cup soy sauce
1/2 cup water

Put the oil, vinegar, pepper, garlic powder and cayenne pepper into a sealed bag. Shake it up to combine it well. Add the cubed beef and shake it to coat the beef cubes. Let it sit for an hour or so. Dump it into a colander to drain.

Heat some vegetable oil in a dutch oven. Add the sliced onion and the drained meat and brown until the onion is caramelized. Place the dutch oven in a 350 F oven for about an hour. After an hour, stir the meat and onions and add the soy sauce, water and broccoli. Put the lid on the pan and heat it on medium high to let the broccoli steam until tender.

I served it over rice. YUM!

LIKE us on Facebook at Siletz Tribal FDPIR. We would like to see more people sharing their recipes on our FB page.

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Be safe. Stay home. Stay well.

Workforce Housing Rental Program accepting applications this month

The Siletz Tribal Housing Department (STHD) will begin accepting applications for the Workforce Housing Rental Program on Monday, Feb. 8, 2021. The intent of this program is to provide affordable housing to Tribal families with full-time employees of Chinook Winds Casino Resort.

These are two- and three-bedroom units located in Lincoln City, Ore. Six rental units will be available for households with income below 80% of the national median. Four rental units will be available for households with income at 80% and above the national median.

Applications can be obtained on the Tribe's website, by mail or e-mail at brettl@ctsi.nsn.us beginning Feb. 8 at 8 a.m.

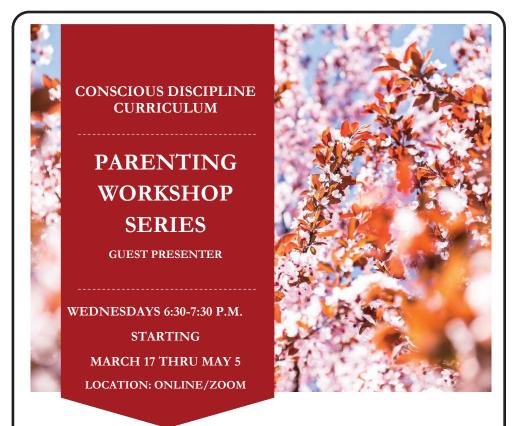
If you have any questions, please contact the Housing Department at 541-444-8322 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1322.

Tenas Illahee Childcare Center Board of Directors Vacancies

Résumés are being accepted for the Tenas Illahee Childcare Center Board of Directors. Currently, there are two vacant board positions.

If interested, please submit your résumé to Siletz Tribal Council, c/o Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

Vacancies are open until filled.



 ${\tt COME JOIN US FOR THIS EXCITING PARENTING WORKSHOP SERIES VIA ZOOM!}$

RAFFLE PRIZES FOR PARTICIPANTS WHO ATTEND!
THOSE WHO ATTEND ALL 8 WORKSHOPS WILL BE ENTERED INTO A DRAWING
FOR THE GRAND PRIZE, SO DON'T MISS OUT!

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A ZOOM LINK AND INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE SENT TO ALL WHO RSVP

Presented by the CTCLUSI Health and Family Support Services in partnership with the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians and the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians







Siletz Community Health Clinic adds services amid COVID

(Subject to change without notice due to local COVID-19 outbreak)

Please call the clinic for current available services as things change rapidly and we may offer more or fewer services depending on COVID-19's impact in the community.

Current services being offered are listed below along with some answers to questions we've been asked.

Available Services

Medical/Lab – Visits are available by phone, video and in person. Alternative care services – OMT, massage and acupuncture – will be available on a limited basis. Please call your medical team to discuss any concerns.

COVID-19 – If you think you have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, please call the clinic and we will discuss self-isolation guidelines and determine if you meet criteria for testing. The clinic does provide COVID-19 testing.

Optometry - Optometry is resuming routine eye care and exams in addition to emergency visits. Visits will be limited due to ongoing safety concerns. The

department will schedule appointments one week at a time.

Medication Assistance Therapy (MAT)

- Visits are available by phone or video.

Behavioral Health (A&D counseling/mental health counseling) — Visits are available by phone or video and in person when needed.

Pharmacy - Continues to provide services. You can pick up your medication curb-side at the clinic or your medication can be mailed to you. Delivery services are also available in the Siletz community.

Dental - Dental is resuming routine dental care but with limitations. Some procedures will require a pre-COVID test. For emergency services, you must call the dental department to discuss your dental concern. The department will schedule appointments one week at a time.

Community Health - Continues to support members in navigating resources during the pandemic. For additional information, follow Community Health @ 'Siletz Health Clinic' on Facebook.

Purchased/Referred Care - Is providing PRC numbers and processing claims. Staff is working altered/reduced hours, so please call again if you do not receive a call back as staff may be out.

Q&A

- Can I bring someone to my appointment? Only the patient is allowed in the clinic (any type of visit) unless a minor child or patient needs a caregiver.
- 2. Will I be able to speak with the pharmacist when I have a new medication? Yes, the pharmacist will bring your new mediation to you or you may choose to call for counseling.
- 3. Do I have to wear a mask? Yes, you must wear a mask at all times while in the clinic AND you must wear it properly. Teleservices are available if you're unable to wear a mask.

We thank you all for doing your part in overcoming the pandemic and doing your best to keep us all healthy and safe. We're all in this together.

CTSI Jobs

Tribal employment information is available at ctsi.nsn.us.

Note: "Open Until Filled" vacancies may close at any time. The Tribe's Indian Preference policy will apply. Tribal government will not discriminate in selection because of race, creed, age, sex, color, national origin, physical handicap, marital status, politics, membership or non-membership in an employee orgnization.

CTSI constantly is looking for temporary employees to cover vacancy, vacations, maternity leave and extended sick leave. If you are looking for temporary work that can last from 2-12 weeks, please submit an application for the temp pool.

For more information about the Siletz Tribal Arts and Heritage Society, visit siletzartsheritage.org.

Adapting Indigenous foodways can help provide contemporary self-care today

By Nancy Ludwig, MS, RDN, LD, Head Start Consulting Nutritionist

The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic brings to light many injustices that place increased risk on specific populations. In my role as consultant nutritionist to Siletz Tribal Head Start, I offer information for families. Today's topic addresses "ancestral justice" as we seek ways to support health and resilience with foodways that work.

Chef Nephi Craig presented Indigenous Foodways: Adapting to Change as part of the Annual Conference on Native Nutrition. This can be found on you tube at youtube.com/watch?v=uxHV6ylliHg. In this video, Chef Craig shared an in-depth look at Indigenous foods as a professional practice with ancient roots that translates to contemporary self-care in everyday life.

He shared introductory information about Indigenous foodways to expand food vocabulary and to make informed healthy purchasing decisions amid the pandemic. In a culinary demonstration, he showed how to prepare a winter version of Three Sisters, a dish of corn, beans and squash.

For this version of the Three Sisters dish, he used equal parts butternut squash (cubed and sautéed in light olive oil), corn (raw corn cut from the cob) and cooked kidney beans. He also prepared kale (without stems) fresh garlic (rough chop), chili flakes and red pepper slices.

Greens were wilted in the fry pan with oil and garlic coating the leaves. A touch of water was added to allow greens to steam and wilt (color changed brighter) on high heat until water is eliminated. Greens were seasoned with chili flakes, kosher salt and cracked black pepper.

He warmed the Three Sisters and seasoned at the end with salt and pepper, plus rounds of red peppers. Then he served this indigenous food on a bed of greens with the squash, corn and beans over it. A squirt of lemon juice brightened the flavors to avoid too much salt.

Chef Craig stated, "Cooking is a life skill and relationship-building." This includes relationships of all types, such as landscape, place and food ingredients.

During this pandemic, when people are living in close quarters with limited restaurant dining, he encouraged all to seek relationships in the kitchen by observing how food ingredients respond while working with them. For example, how does kale change with heat and touch or cutting?

Observe how you respond and relate to the experience. Allow the ingredients to inform you, because they will not lie. This is the true narrative with the psychological, intellectual and spiritual aspects of nutrition that we so desperately crave right now.

Furthermore, he explained that we must look back in order to look forward with adaptation. Looking back, we see that the companion planting relationships of corn, beans and squash have relationship with each other and with the soil. Each ingredient relates with the others to complement available nutrition.

These companion plants relate to us as we grow, harvest, prepare, consume and enjoy them at a deeper nutritional level. Chef Craig described the Three Sisters (corn, beans and squash) as an "entry level" demonstration of Native foods, long before the culinary trauma from colonization. An example of looking forward with adaptation includes the idea that it really can be OK to cook Indigenous foods in an automatic cooking pot.

Systemic colonial violence is seen in many ways impacting health and resilience across generations carrying collective trauma. Boarding schools became like concentration camps that later gave way to the USDA food commodity program, providing foods that are not traditional. The availability of USDA flour and oil is how Indian fry bread became a cultural food that is now associated with the rise of diabetes and other chronic health issues.

Chef Craig used the following dictionary format to define ancestral justice. "Ancestral justice: (living action verb) (n.,adj.), a term used by Indigenous peoples engaged in Indigenous resurgence through 'restorative indigenous food practices' to articulate genetic/biological messages of dignity and resiliency transmitted through living human fractals. Ancestral justice is directly connected to ancestral memory and the restoration of balance in Indigenous life-ways. Example: 'Living a good life of integrity while activating ancestral knowledge in life on the Red Road."

He was clear to say that we start with foods that are accessible and move from there. I've referred to these as "nutritional equivalents." He expanded the food-asmedicine concept to state that food contains information.

Think of each seed and what it contains. Growing Indigenous cultivars is essential because they are the carriers of knowledge, the carriers of data like a SIM card or data chip programed with the sun.

In his conclusion, he shared that if we are going to let Indigenous food sovereignty take root, the ethical solution is based on action and intelligent coexistence. He encouraged us to watch his film *Gather*. The trailer can be found at youtube.com/watch?v=BfSGB-aSo6A.

He encouraged home cooking as an act of self-care by making time to cook something new and choosing to see things differently. He reminded us to continue to keep safe, wash hands and wear a mask.

Similar views were shared by Jennifer Nez Denetdale, Ph.D. (Diné) in her talk The Navajo Nation and the COVID-19 Pandemic held Jan 9, 2021. This is available on the YouTube channel for Amerind Museum.

Dr. Denetdale shared that colonial violence is real. There is historic culinary trauma and we are looking at Indigenous resurgence that is micro-regional.

Food distribution has been used systemically as a political tool through "policy." Advocates are needed in the legal system to change policy. Leverage is needed to reclaim food sovereignty.

Food sovereignty is the ability of an Indigenous nation or community to control its own food system and foodproducing resources free of control or limitations put on it by an outside power (such as a settler/colonizer government).

She also emphasized the importance of restoring and mending relationships (history, landscape, family, etc.). Her point was that that the "monster" of colonial violence is what leaves Indigenous populations so vulnerable to COVID-19.

Relationships are also echoed in the Native Gathering Garden project in Portland, Ore., by creating and reclaiming relationship with land for holistic sustainability and restoring a landscape as part of healing ourselves.

The mission of the Cully Park Tribal Gathering Garden is to provide the Portland Native community and Tribes whose ceded land includes the Cully Park site with a place to commune, cultivate Indigenous foods and materials for cultural practices and traditions, and restore the associated knowledge, skills and ethics.

Siletz Tribal Head Start offers nutritional support at no cost to Head Start families. This usually occurs over the telephone. If you have nutrition concerns about your Head Start child or want to discuss family nutrition concerns, please contact your teacher or the director and ask to speak to the nutritionist.

February Garden Tips

Gardening at home is a great way to get fresh air and exercise. Here is one easy way to get a new garden started in your yard that does not require a tiller or shovel.

To get started, start your seeds inside a window select a area that will get plenty of hours of sunlight. You could also buy healthy plant-starts from a retailer. Lay wet cardboard and/or newspapers down on the area. Lay a bag of soil on top of the cardboard, poke holes all over the top of the bag. Flip it over, and cut a big rectangular hole, or individual holes for each separate plant. After the season is over, your cardboard will have deteriorated and provided a nice area to dump the bag of soil on and it's ready to plant again. This is the easy way to start a No-Till gardening area. For more resources, google: No Till Gardening

Plan what veggies you would like to grow this year and orders seeds early.

Plant windowsill gardens of peas, lettuce, or herbs.

If you already have a flower bed site in your yard, porch or window plant strawberries and vegetables' into the flower bed.

When soil is dry enough and workable, plant garden peas or sweet peas.

Clean up debris and trim winter damage to trees and shrubs.

Make a cold frame to start early vegetables or flowers.

Prune fruit trees and blueberries.

February is a good time to plant fruit trees and deciduous shrubs.

Plant seed flats of cold crops indoors or in greenhouse. (cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli, Brussels sprouts)

Tune up your lawn mower/garden equipment before the busy season begins.





Mission Statement

The CTSI Healthy Traditions project seeks to improve the health of Siletz Tribal Members through educational activities which promote the use of traditional foods through hunting, gathering, gardening, cooking, food preservation and protecting our natural resources.

For more Healthy Traditions information, contact Kathy Kentta-Robinson, call (541) 444-9627, or email, kathyk@ctsi.nsn.us





Teen dating violence is a pattern of abusive behaviors that may include physical, sexual, psychological or emotional violence within a dating relation-

ship of teenagers. Teen dating violence can also occur between former dating partners. Those who are involved in abusive relationships as teens are more likely to experience intimate partner violence as adults.

Teens who are victims of dating violence are more likely to do poorly in school, may engage in unhealthy behaviors like drug and alcohol use, may experience eating disorders and depression, are more likely to engage in self harm or may even consider or attempt suicide.

Some of the warning signs of teen dating violence:

- Changes in physical appearance
- Wearing more or less makeup
- Dressing differently
- Changes in eating habits
- Personality changes
- Excessively texting or calling partner
- Making excuses for partner's behavior
- Isolation/distance from friends & family
- Becoming withdrawn
- Newly failing grades

If you or someone you know has been a victim of teen dating violence, there is help. Contact the Siletz CARE Program:

Siletz CARE Program: (541)444-9680 - 24 hour Hope Line: (541)994-5959

WINTER GATHERING

Virtual gathering of Siletz artists sharing crafts brought to you through grant awards from native arts and cultures foundations

REGISTER BY FEBRUARY 12

Join us for a virtual series where Siletz artists share their knowledge of Siletz specific arts and crafts

BEADING
BASKET WEAVING
DRUM MAKING
STORYTELLING
REGALIA
WAX FLOWERS
MEDICINE BAGS

Reserve your spot at the website below or email kiraw@ctsi.nsn.us for the link

VIRTUAL ORIENTATION FEBRUARY 25

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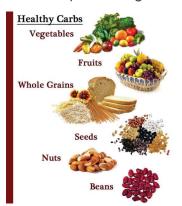
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National Cancer Prevention Month

February is National Cancer Prevention Month, so..... what does that mean?

With hundreds of thousands of cancer cases preventable through good diet, exercise and weight control, this month's "awareness" is not just to let someone know that you have a particular kind of cancer, or that there is another cancer out there that everyone should know about. But it is instead geared toward preventing as many of these cancer cases as possible from ever getting diagnosed.









It is estimated that over 340,000 cases of cancer could be prevented if people would make small changes in their lifestyle by moving more, weighing less, and eating healthier. Add quit smoking on top of that and nearly half of the new cancer diagnoses each year could be prevented.

You CAN have an impact on your own cancer risk. Make a list of activities that you like to do, start off small and work your way up to more strenuous activities. Something is better than nothing, every step you take is a step in the right direction. Remember to eat healthy and stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water.

So, during the Month of February, don't just tell people about your cancer, or any cancer in particular, but let's tell everyone one or two things that they can do to prevent cancer, and then let's follow up and do those things ourselves. The life we save might just be our own!



The Numbers are in for 2020.

Our Harm Reduction program has been busy meeting people where they are at and providing supplies to reduce the spread of disease as well as providing NARCAN Kits to People who request them.

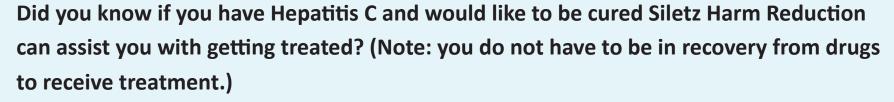
Syringes in	Syringes out	NARCAN Kits Distributed	Overdoses Reversed
36,891	28,626	188	20 lives saved

Yes, we offer FREE Syringe Exchange services.

Yes, we provide FREE NARCAN to reverse overdoses.

Yes, we offer safe sex supplies and education.

Yes, we can assist with FREE HIV/HEP C Testing.



If you have Questions about Detox / Treatment options we are here to Assist.



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Babies!



Malachi Lou

Please welcome Malachi Lou, born Dec. 22, 2020, the proud grandson of Lou Carey.

Love, Mom and Dad (Misty and Deandre)

Be safe.
Stay home.
Stay well.

Use Amazon Smile to donate to STAHS

Here's how you can donate to the Siletz Tribal Arts and Heritage Society (STAHS) painlessly and effortlessly. It's as easy as 1,2,3,4.

Thank you for supporting STAHS!

- 1. Go to Amazon.com.
- 2. In the Department drop down box, type Amazon Smile.
- 3. See Amazon Smile You shop. Amazon Gives.
- 4. Follow the easy directions.



Ximena Alexandra Marie Reavely

Ximena was born Jan. 13, 2021, at 9:19 p.m. She weighed 15 pounds, 15 ounces and was 18½ inches long.

Her proud parents are Ashten Reavely and Chesney Huerta of Siletz, Ore. Ximena is the granddaughter of Kyanna Fisher



Smith named to President's List at PSU

Congratulations to Sophia Smith for being named to the President's List for earning a 4.0 in her first term at Portland State University.

Your family is so proud of you and your hard work.



Donna Mae Woods - 1935-2020

Donna was born Feb. 1, 1935, to Maude and Alfred Lane Sr. in Siletz, Ore. She attended Siletz Grade School until 1944 when her family moved to Chemawa, Ore. She attended Keizer Grade School, Sacred Heart Academy and graduated from Salem High School in 1953.

After graduation she attended Capitol Business School for a short time. While attending high school she had a part-time job after school and on weekends at the Chemawa Store.

In 1954 she was employed by the Department of the Army at the ROTC headquarters at Oregon State College in Corvallis, Ore. Also in 1954 she married Warren (Scott) Woods during his tour of active duty in the Marine Corps.

In 1956 they moved to Portland, Ore., and Donna was employed at the Bureau of Land Management. She then moved to a position with the Department of the Air Force at the Portland Air Base. In 1959 they moved back to Chemawa Indian School where she was postmaster and her husband took over the store business.

In 1964 they moved to San Diego, Calif., where her husband went into business and she was employed by the Department of the Navy at Naval Station, San Diego. During this time, she volunteered to work as secretary for the CCD program at St. Michaels Catholic Church on Saturday mornings.

After 32 years of federal service, Donna retired in 1990. In 1992 she went back to work at Southern Indian Health Council in Alpine, Calif.

In 2000 Donna and Warren moved back to Oregon. In 2001 she worked part time for Siletz Tribal Head Start in Salem. In 2004 they moved to Otis, Ore. In 2008 she was employed by the Siletz Tribal Business Corporation in Lincoln City, Ore., permanently retiring in 2014.

Donna was devoted to her family and loved family gatherings and attending Tribal events, especially pow-wows where



File photo

Donna Mae Woods

she always wore her regalia. She kept busy working on crafts and line dancing. She was a member of St. Edward Catholic Church since moving to Keizer in 2018.

Donna walked on at home as she slept surrounded by her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and other family members. She was loved so much by so many and will be greatly missed.

Preceding her in death was her husband of 61 years, Warren (Scott) Woods; brothers Joe Lane Sr., William Lane Sr. and Arthur Lane Sr.; and sisters Gladys Bolton and Rosalie Bremner.

Donna leaves daughters Cindy Jackson and Rachenda (Hector) Reynosa; grandchildren Jenera (Daniel) Healy, Jeremy (Beth) Hill, Jenna (Angela) Devenberg and Joshua Devenberg; greatgrandchildren Aidan, Sam and Madison Healy, Sierra and Liam Hill, and Thalia and Xavier Devenberg; sister Dee Pigsley of Salem, Ore.; brother Alfred Lane Sr. of National City, Calif., and many nieces and nephews.

For more information about the Siletz Tribe, please visit ctsi.nsn.us.

Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow

Attention Siletz Tribal Artists

The Pow-Wow Committee is once again having a logo contest for the upcoming pow-wow in August 2021. All Siletz Tribal artists are encouraged to submit a pow-wow-themed logo.

The winning logo artist will receive a cash prize of \$300 and a professional banner with your logo. The winning artist will have their logo highlighted on Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow flyers and merchandise.

Please submit your artwork to the cultural education director's office at the Tribal Community Center or mail it to Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Attn: Pow-Wow Logo Contest, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

All entries must be received no later than March 1, 2021.

Royalty Crown Proposals

The Pow-Wow Committee is now accepting proposals for 2021-2022 royalty crowns. Proposals are being accepted for Miss Siletz, Junior Miss Siletz and Little Miss Siletz.

Proposals for a crown are required to include art design, size of the crown and a bid for the crown or crowns of your interest. Proposals can be submitted for individual crowns, two crowns or you can submit a bid for all three crowns.

Crown proposals must be turned in to the committee no later than March 1, 2021. Proposals can be sent to Siletz Pow-Wow Committee, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

If you have any questions, contact Buddy Lane at 800-922-1399, ext. 1230, or 541-444-8230.



Keyontae Lamar Taylor - 1990-2021

Keyontae Lamar Taylor was born June 7, 1990, in Sacramento Calif. He later lived in Humboldt County, Calif., with his Papa and Nana, where he spent the rest of his childhood. Growing up, his love for the drum was apparent because you could always find him by the drum at whatever pow-wow he was at.

He went to Morris Elementary in McKinleyville, Calif. As a youth he played football; he was wrestling, playing basketball or even baseball. He loved to compete and was good at anything he decided to do.

He graduated from Dewey High School in Oakland, Calif. He studied kinesiology in Laney Community College in Oakland.

He was an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians in Siletz, Ore. He loved to be involved in cultural events. His love of singing and dancing was always apparent. Who could forget his "Ninja Turtle" regalia?

He was so ambitious. As an adult, he loved to travel. Life with him was always



Courtesy photo

Keyontae Lamar Taylor

an exciting adventure. He loved to garden and was always so proud of his skill. He walked on Jan. 3, 2021.

From Willie Worman, mayor of Siletz, as posted on social media

2020 Mayors Award, **Presented to Elton Hostler**

In the crazy world of 2020, I have seen a large number of community members step up for the good of the community. I will say that no one has stepped up bigger than Elton Hostler.

Elton has helped with anything and everything. He helped with:

- COVID-19-related stuff
- The fires of Lincoln County
- Helped make Halloween Trunk-or-Treat stay safe
- Helps every year with the Christmas tree lighting
- Helped during the wind storms
- And so many more things

Elton has been a massive help with everything this year. I don't have to ask him. He hears Siletz has an issue and he shows up. Often he is the first person on every scene.



Courtesy photo

Elton Hostler

He is kind, dependable, hard-working and the most important part of this is that he goes this far out of his way to help strangers in many cases and asked nothing in return. He does all of these things out of the goodness of his heart.

Elton is a fantastic guy, so when you see him around thank him for his service to our community.

Elton, thank you!

Legal Aid Services of Oregon and the Oregon Law Center, civil legal service providers for low-income Oregonians, operate a public benefits hotline where low-income Oregonians can talk to lawyers and paralegals to get advice on public benefits, including unemployment benefits:

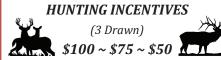
Oregon public benefits hotline: 800-520-5292 or Oregonlawhelp.org

Tribal employment information is available at ctsi.nsn.us.

2020-2021 **Hunting * Fishing * Gathering REPORTING INCENTIVES**

CTSI Tribal members:

Please report all harvests with your tribal license for deer, elk, salmon, and shellfish to the Natural Resources Dept. Once reported, the name on the tribal tag/permit will be included in a drawing after the season closes for one of the following Cabela's gift cards:





FISHING INCENTIVE **\$50** (1 Drawn)

SHELLFISH INCENTIVE \$50 (1 Drawn)



Report all harvests to:

Mike Kennedy, 541-444-8232 mikek@ctsi.nsn.us -OR-Denise Garrett, 541-444-8227 deniseg@ctsi.nsn.us

THANK YOU!

OHA recruits committee to advise on vaccine distribution

27-member group includes Bloom-Miller from Siletz Health Clinic

PORTLAND, Ore. — Oregon Health Authority completed recruitment in late December for its Vaccine Advisory Committee (VAC) that will determine the sequence in which new COVID-19 vaccines are distributed around the state.

The 27-member committee will advise OHA on vaccine sequencing for phases 1b, 1c and 2 of the state's vaccine distribution plan, with the goal of prioritizing communities most affected by COVID-19.

The COVID-19 Vaccine Advisory Committee will be grounded in OHA's definition of health equity, which – as cited in this excerpt – is a health system where "all people can reach their full health potential and well-being and are not disadvantaged by their race, ethnicity, language, disability, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, social class, intersections among these communities or identities, or other socially determined circumstances.

To advance health equity and counter unjust COVID-19 inequities, the COVID-19 VAC will:

- Advise OHA on the ethical principles that should guide decisions on sequencing of COVID-19 vaccines
- Review data on COVID-19 and immunization inequities
- Advise OHA on which workers, highrisk groups or critical populations should be sequenced at what time, taking into consideration where they are located across the state

The committee roster is as follows:

- Aileen Duldulao, Oregon Pacific Islander Coalition
- Cherity Bloom-Miller, Siletz Community Health Clinic
- Christine Sanders, Rockwood Community Development Corp.
- Daysi Bedolla Sotelo, Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste
- DeLeesa Meashintubby, Volunteers in Medicine
- Debra Whitefoot, Nch'i Wana Housing
- Derick Du Vivier, OHSU
- Dolores Martinez, Euvalcree
- George Conway, Deschutes County Health Services
- Kalani Raphael, Oregon Pacific Islander Coalition
- Kelly Gonzales, PSU
- Kristin Milligan, Community Volunteer Network
- Laurie Skokan, Providence Health & Services
- Leslie Sutton, Oregon Council on Developmental Disabilities
- Maleka Taylor, The Miracles Club
- Maria Loredo, Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center
- Marin Arreola, Interface Network
- Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown, Crook County Health Department
- Musse Olol, Somali American Council of Oregon
- Nannette Carter-Jafri, SEIU Local 503 Indigenous People's Caucus
- Ruth Gulyas, Leading Age Oregon Safina Koreishi, Columbia Pacific CCO
- Sandra McDonough, Oregon Busi-
- ness & Industry

- Shawn Baird. Metro West Ambulance Service
- Sue Steward, Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board
- Tsering Sherpa, The Rosewood
- Zhenya Abbruzzese, Adventist Health

"The COVID-19 Vaccine Advisory Committee brings tremendous lived and professional experience to guide OHA's decisions about vaccine sequencing in a way that upholds OHA's goal to eliminate health inequities by 2030," said Cara Biddlecom, OHA deputy public health director. "Members of this committee represent communities that have been unjustly impacted by COVID-19, including Tribal communities and communities of color, and OHA is committed to involving community members in the decisionmaking processes that affect their lives."

The committee's first public meeting

For more information about the committee, visit the Vaccine Advisory Committee information page. Comments or questions can be emailed to covid.vaccineadvisory@dhsoha.state.or.us.

Stay informed about COVID-19

- Oregon Health Authority: govstatus. egov.com/OR-OHA-COVID-19
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/index.html
- World Health Organization: who.int/ emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019

Coronavirus Information and Resources

Fact Sheet for Recipients And Caregivers

Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine to Prevent Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Individuals 18 Years of Age and Older

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine works to prevent Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) that is caused by SARS-CoV-2. This Fact Sheet contains information to help you understand the risks and benefits of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine, which you may receive because there is currently a pandemic of COVID-19.

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is a vaccine and may prevent you from getting COVID-19. There is no U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved vaccine to prevent COVID-19.

Read this Fact Sheet for information about the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. Talk to the vaccination provider if you have questions. It is your choice to receive the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine.

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is administered as a 2-dose series, 1 month apart, into the muscle.

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine may not protect everyone.

This Fact Sheet may have been updated. For the most recent Fact Sheet, please visit www.modernatx.com/covid-19vaccine-eua.

What You Need to Know Before You Get This Vaccine

What is COVID-19?

COVID-19 is caused by a coronavirus called SARS-CoV-2. This type of coronavirus has not been seen before. You can get COVID-19 through contact with another person who has the virus. It is predominantly a respiratory illness that can affect other organs. People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported, ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2 to 14 days after exposure to the virus. Symptoms may include fever or chills; cough; shortness of breath; fatigue; muscle or body aches; headache; new loss of taste or smell; sore throat; congestion or runny nose; nausea or vomiting; diarrhea.

What is the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is an unapproved vaccine that may prevent COVID-19. There is no FDA-approved vaccine to prevent COVID-19.

The FDA has authorized the emergency use of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine to prevent COVID-19 in individuals 18 years of age and older under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA).

For more information on EUA, see the "What is an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA)?" section at the end of this Fact Sheet.

Be safe. Stay home if you can.
Wear a mask and social
distance out in public.
Exercise a little patience.
Remember – we're all in this
together.

What should you mention to your vaccination provider before you get the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

Tell your vaccination provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:

- have any allergies
- have a fever
- have a bleeding disorder or are on a blood thinner
- are immunocompromised or are on a medicine that affects your immune system
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant
- are breastfeeding
- have received another COVID-19 vaccine

Who should get the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

FDA has authorized the emergency use of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine in individuals 18 years of age and older.

Who should <u>not</u> get the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

You should not get the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine if you:

- had a severe allergic reaction after a previous dose of this vaccine
- had a severe allergic reaction to any ingredient of this vaccine

What are the ingredients in the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine contains the following ingredients: messenger ribonucleic acid (mRNA), lipids (SM-102, polyethylene glycol [PEG] 2000 dimyristoyl glycerol [DMG], cholesterol and 1,2-distearoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphocholine [DSPC]), tromethamine, tromethamine hydrochloride, acetic acid, sodium acetate and sucrose.

How is the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine given?

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine will be given to you as an injection into the muscle. The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine vaccination series is 2 doses given 1 month apart.

If you receive one dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine, you should receive a second dose of the same vaccine 1 month later to complete the vaccination series.

Has the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine been used before?

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is an unapproved vaccine. In clinical trials, approximately 15,400 individuals 18 years of age and older have received at least 1 dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine.

What are the benefits of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

In an ongoing clinical trial, the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine has been shown to prevent COVID-19 following 2 doses given 1 month apart. The duration of protection against COVID-19 is currently unknown.

What are the risks of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

Side effects that have been reported with the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine include:

- Injection site reactions: pain, tenderness and swelling of the lymph nodes in the same arm of the injection, swelling (hardness) and redness
- General side effects: fatigue, headache, muscle pain, joint pain, chills, nausea and vomiting, and fever

There is a remote chance that the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine could cause a severe allergic reaction. A severe allergic reaction would usually occur within a few minutes to one hour after getting a dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. For this reason, your vaccination provider may ask you to stay at the place where you received your vaccine for monitoring after vaccination. Signs of a severe allergic reaction can include:

- Difficulty breathing
- Swelling of your face and throat
- A fast heartbeat
- A bad rash all over your body
- Dizziness and weakness

These may not be all the possible side effects of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. Serious and unexpected side effects may occur. The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is still being studied in clinical trials.

What should I do about side effects?

If you experience a severe allergic reaction, call 911 or go to the nearest hospital.

Call the vaccination provider or your health care provider if you have any side effects that bother you or do not go away.

Report vaccine side effects to FDA/CDC Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS). The VAERS toll-free number is 1-800-822-7967 or report online to https://vaers.hhs.gov/report-event.html. Please include "Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine EUA" in the first line of box #18 of the report form.

In addition, you can report side effects to ModernaTX, Inc. at 1-866-MODERNA (1-866-663-3762).

You may also be given an option to enroll in V-safe. V-safe is a new voluntary smart phone-based tool that uses text messaging and web surveys to check in with people who have been vaccinated to identify potential side effects after COVID-19 vaccination. V-safe asks questions that help CDC monitor the safety of COVID-19 vaccines. V-safe also provides second-dose reminders if needed and live telephone follow-up by CDC if participants report a significant health impact following COVID-19 vaccination. For more information on how to sign up, visit: www.cdc.gov/vsafe.

What if I decide not to get the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

It is your choice to receive or not receive the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. Should you decide not to receive it, it will not change your standard medical care.

Are other choices available for preventing COVID-19 besides Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

Currently, there is no FDA-approved alternative vaccine available for prevention of COVID-19. Other vaccines to prevent COVID-19 may be available under Emergency Use Authorization.

Can I receive the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine with other vaccines?

There is no information on the use of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine with other vaccines.

What if I am pregnant or breastfeeding?

If you are pregnant or breastfeeding, discuss your options with your health care provider.

Will the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine give me COVID-19?

No. The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine does not contain SARS-CoV-2 and cannot give you COVID-19.

Keep Your Vaccination Card

When you receive your first dose, you will get a vaccination card to show when you return for your second dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. Remember to bring your card when you return.

Additional Information

If you have questions, visit the website or call the telephone number provided below.

To access the most recent Fact Sheets, please scan the QR code provided below.

Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine website	Telephone number
www. modernatx.com/ covid19vaccine- eua	1-866-MODERNA (1-866-663-3762)

HOW can I learn more?

- Ask the vaccination provider
- Visit CDC at https://www.cdc.gov/ coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html
- Visit FDA at https://www.fda. gov/emergency-preparednessand-response/mcm-legal-regulatory-and-policy-framework/ emergency-use-authorization
- Contact your state or local public health department

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Siletz Community Health Clinic - COVID VACCINE

To schedule your COVID-19 vaccine: Please call 541-444-9636 to schedule a COVID vaccine. You will be asked to leave a message with your full name, birthdate and phone number. Someone will contact you ASAP to schedule your COVID vaccine.

Tribal elders will be given priority.

Safety Tips for Essential Travel

If you must travel for essential reasons, here are some tips for increasing your safety:

- If you can, travel alone by car, or only with people you live with.
- Limit stops and wear a face covering when you do stop.
- If you have to travel by airplane, train, ship, ferry, subway, taxi or ride share wear a face covering.
- Keep six feet of physical distance between yourself and anyone you don't live with.
- Wash or sanitize your hands often.
- Stay in a separate room from others when you arrive at your destination.



healthoregon.org/coronavirus or call 211

rain, ship, ferry, subway, ering.

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Where will my vaccination information be recorded?

The vaccination provider may include your vaccination information in your state/local jurisdiction's Immunization Information System (IIS) or other designated system. This will ensure that you receive the same vaccine when you return for the second dose. For more information about IISs, visit https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/iis/about.html.

What is the Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program?

The Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program (CICP) is a federal program that may help pay for costs of medical care and other specific expenses of certain people who have been seriously injured by certain medicines or vaccines, including this vaccine. Generally, a claim must be submitted to the CICP within one year from the date of receiving the vaccine. To learn more about this program, visit www.hrsa.gov/cicp/ or call 1-855-266-2427.

What is an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA)?

The United States FDA has made the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine available under an emergency access mechanism

called an EUA. The EUA is supported by a Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) declaration that circumstances exist to justify the emergency use of drugs and biological products during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine has not undergone the same type of review as an FDA- approved or cleared product. FDA may issue an EUA when certain criteria are met, which includes that there are no adequate, approved and available alternatives.

In addition, the FDA decision is based on the totality of the scientific evidence available showing that the product may be effective to prevent COVID-19 during the COVID-19 pandemic and that the known and potential benefits of the product outweigh the known and potential risks of the product. All of these criteria must be met to allow for the product to be used during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The EUA for the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is in effect for the duration of the COVID-19 EUA declaration justifying emergency use of these products, unless terminated or revoked (after which the products may no longer be used).

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Patent(s): www.modernatx.com/patents Revised: 12/2020

From Oregon State Rep. David Gomberg Posted Dec. 30, 2020

Here's a look back at how the 2020 pandemic played out economically in Oregon, with a survey of sectors that thrived and others that struggled during the state's unprecedented downturn.

- Online shopping and delivery are thriving. Amazon has hired 400,000 worldwide this year and its stock is up 80% since the beginning of March. In Oregon, transportation and warehouse jobs are up 7% in the past year.
- Oregon supermarket sales spiked more than 65% in April and remained up 38% in early December. Since we cannot go to restaurants, we're stocking up on food and cooking more at home.
- Gyms have struggled to stay afloat. Instead we exercise outside or at home. Sales of bikes, equipment and repair services were up more than 60% in June. Home fitness product sales exploded as well. After having its worst year in 2019, Vancouver-based Nautilus enjoyed a 152% increase in sales in its third quarter.
- Gov. Brown allowed garden, hardware and home improvement stores to stay open. Those stores saw an immediate uptick in demand as interest in home improvement projects skyrocketed with more people staying home. Sales at those stores are up 13.4% this year as compared to 2019.
- Passenger volumes at Portland International Airport plunged 95% in April as air travel ground to a near complete halt. Planes that did fly were largely empty. Travel picked up steadily as the year went on but remained down two-thirds from a year ago.
- Oregon's restaurant sector laid-off two-thirds of its workers last spring in the first days of the pandemic, 47,000 people altogether. Many of those jobs returned over the summer as outdoor dining picked up, only to vanish again as the state ordered an end to most dine-in service amid a resurgent coronavirus.
- Hotel demand in Oregon plummeted in the early weeks of the pandemic as occupancy rates fell by 67% in the first week of April. Oregon's lodging sector has shed 8,600 jobs in the past year, with total employment down by one-third. The drop in hotel revenue could have serious implications for cities across the state that derive general fund money from lodging taxes.
- Live entertainment, concerts, festivals, sporting events and conventions were cancelled due to public health restrictions. In a September survey of 1,000 business owners, nearly 70% of respondents said they were worried their business wouldn't survive past January.
- Bricks-and-mortar retail sales plunged a record 16% in April as stay-at-home orders and public health restrictions forced many stores to close and prompted consumers to turn to online shopping. While some types of retailers have fared better than others, more than half of 60 small businesses surveyed in September reported that their sales were down 50% to 90% compared to the same time last year.

CTSI Resource Call Line

We are here to connect Tribal members and their families to local resources. This includes food, housing, and other essentials. In addition, we are providing households with hard to find hygiene and sanitation items.

*Disclaimer: Supplies are limited but we will do our best to meet your needs.

Call us at 541-444-9613.
We will be taking calls Monday through
Friday between 9am-3pm.



Wildfire Recovery Resources

CORE

Community Outreach & Recovery Education

Why we are here: CORE is a local mental health response team here to help with the impacts of the wildfires & COVID-19. We have 5 mental health outreach workers on our team. It is our goal to support your community's resilience.

What is resilience? Resilience is your ability to recover and heal after experiencing tough or difficult times.

What we can help you with: Short-term mental health help. Feeling overwhelmed and not sure how to cope? We can help with that. Struggling with uncomfortable feelings such as fear, loneliness, loss or grief? We can help with that. Just need someone non-judgmental to talk to? We can help with that.

Resources connection and navigation. We know that working with a bunch of agencies, filling out & submitting paperwork, and remembering upcoming deadlines can be confusing! We can help with that.

We are FREE! This is a service provided to the community. No money or insurance needed, ever.

Three ways to contact us:

- Call 541-265-0403 and leave us a voicemail message. We will return your call within 1 business day.
- **Email** <u>lincolncocallcenter@co.lincoln.or.us</u> and mention "CORE" in the subject line.
- Visit us on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays from 12-3pm at the Salmon River Grange! 5371 OR-18, Otis, OR, 97368

Se Habla Español!

If you're experiencing a mental health crisis please call the 24/7 Crisis & Information Hotline at 1-866-266-0288. If you are experiencing an emergency please call 911.



https://www.linesforlife.org/helpers/

Day	Time	Affinity Space	Contact
Monday	8:00am	Morning Meditation & Mindfulness Space	staceyb@linesforlife.org
	9:00am	Wellness for Social Workers	staceyb@linesforlife.org
	12:30 pm	Wellness for Educators	yvetteg@linesforlife.org
	12:30pm	Weekday Helpers Wellness Drop-In	jonathanh@linesforlife.org
	3:00pm	BI POC Wellness Group	staceyb@linesforlife.org
uesday	7:00am	Nurses Wellness Room	vvetteg@linesforlife.org
	9:30am	Spanish-Speaking Wellness Drop-In	staceyb@linesforlife.org
	12:30pm	Weekday Helpers Wellness Drop-In	jonathanh@linesforlife.org
	1:00pm	Fostering Wellness for Foster Parents	staceyb@linesforlife.org
	2:00pm	Mental/Behavioral Health Workers Wellness	staceyb@linesforlife.org
	3:00pm	Wellness for Parents	vvetteg@linesforlife.org
Vednesday	8:00am	Mental/Behavioral Health Workers Wellness	staceyb@linesforlife.org
	11:00am	Grad students in helping fields	amyw@linesforlife.org
	12:30pm	Weekday Helpers Wellness Drop-In	jonathanh@linesforlife.org
	12:30 pm	Wellness for Educators	yvetteg@linesforlife.org
	3:00pm	Wellness for Social Workers	staceyb@linesforlife.org
	3:00pm	Wellness for Educators	yvetteg@linesforlife.org
	4:00pm	Wildfire support	amyw@linesforlife.org
hursday	7:00am	Nurses Wellness Room	vvetteg@linesforlife.org
	9:30am	Spanish Speaking Drop-In Wellness Room	staceyb@linesforlife.org
	12:30pm	Weekday Helpers Wellness Drop-In	jonathanh@linesforlife.org
	2:00pm	Wellness for Seniors	vvetteg@linesforlife.org
	3:00pm	Surviving Domestic Violence/Anti-Sexual	staceyb@linesforlife.org
		Assault Work	
	3:00 pm	Wellness for Parents	<u>yvetteg@linesforlife.org</u>
	4:00 pm	Wellness for Firefighters	yvetteg@linesforlife.org
	5:00pm	Social Service Workers	amyw@linesforlife.org
riday	8:00am	BI POC Morning Wellness Space	staceyb@linesforlife.org
	11:00a	Bilingual - Essential Workers Wellness Space	staceyb@linesforelife.org
	12:30 pm	Weekday Helpers Wellness Drop-In	jonathanh@linesforlife.org

If you or anyone you know have been affected by COVID-19 or the Wildfires, please contact a FEMA Outreach Specialist regarding resources at (971) 420 – 1028 or email FEMAhelp@linesforlife.org.

Para contactar con un ayudante social en relación con los incendios y el COVID-19, por favor llame (971)420-1018. Email FEMAhelp@linesforlife.org.

FEMA

Echo Mountain Complex Fire and Straight-Line Wind Event

IMPORTANT FEMA UPDATES

FEMA Direct Housing Opportunities

- ${\sf FEMA}\ is\ finalizing\ the\ direct\ housing\ options\ for\ those\ Survivors\ who\ indicated\ they\ needed\ long\ term$ housing assistance in their FEMA Claim
- We encourage all Survivors to contact FEMA directly to make sure your FEMA claim is up to date with your current housing situation; your housing options may have changed over the past several weeks and if you have not updated your FEMA claim with current housing status then you may not qualify for additional benefits.
- Apply for an appeal if you receive a denial letter
- **Ineligible Letter Received?** Review your letter carefully. Is there more information you can provide to change your status? Or Did your status change?



FEMA Contact Information:

- Call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362 (TTY: 800-462-7585). 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. PDT, seven
- Visit DisasterAssistance.gov or use FEMA's mobile app



Local Contact Information:

- www.co.lincoln.or.us/echomountainfire
- Call Center at 541-265-0621
- Email: echomtnfirerecovery@co.lincoln.or.us

MASTT is here to empower wildfire survivors still living in hotels and other forms of temporary housing to take the next step in their recovery

- Each household will be guided to share their
- story in a trauma-informed interview format. Participation in the interview puts survivor households on the "radar" for disaster case managers who are currently being hired to help in the next phase of the recovery effort.
- The purpose of the interview is also to identify barriers to permanent housing and identify resources/programs that can be accessed to help overcome these barriers.
- Each survivor household will take away from these interviews an actionable plan which includes steps they can take to support their progress towards their recovery.
- Interviews will be done virtually, either through a video meeting or a conference call with the MASTT.

MASTT Lincoln County



541-265-0621 FireRecovery@co.lincoln.or.us

- https://www.co.lincoln.or.us/emergencyman agement/page/mastt-lincoln-county
- Call Center at 541-265-0621
- **Shelby Houston, MPH, CADC-R** MASTT Lead

Celia AugustOSU Extension Lincoln County



Have you been affected by the Oregon wildfires?

We're here to help.

If you've been affected by the 2020 Oregon wildfires, there are resources and supports available for you and those you love. Our team can support you by:

- · Providing one-on-one emotional support.
- · Assisting you in navigating existing resources in your community and providing referrals to professional services, as needed.
- Connecting you with tools to support yourself and regain a sense

If you are in immediate crisis, please call our 24/7 Safe + Strong Helpline at 1-800-923-HELP (4357).

To speak with an outreach specialist regarding resources related to the wildfires, please call (971) 420-1028 or email FEMAhelp@linesforlife.org.

We will connect you to the resources you need.

- Disability Resources
- · Domestic Violence Resources
- · Employment Resources
- · Family Resources
- · Financial Assistance, Including Small **Business Assistance**
- · Food & Other Essentials
- · Healthcare Assistance, Including COVID-19
- · Holiday-Specific
- Assistance · Housing & Shelter
- · Legal Resources
- · LGBTQ+ Support
- · Mental & Behavioral
- Health Resources
- · POC/BIPOC Resources
- · Social Services · Substance Use
- Disorder Assistance



Transportation

Resources · Wildfire &

· Veteran-Specific

Displacement Support

· Youth Support Services

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Dear Stranger fights COVID-19 isolation through the mail with letter exchange

Oregon Humanities invites Oregonians to exchange letters and make new connections

PORTLAND, Ore. – As Oregonians practice social distancing in hope of slowing the COVID-19 pandemic, many are searching for ways to find and maintain social connections across physical distance. Dear Stranger, a letter-exchange project from Oregon Humanities, offers a chance for connection by inviting Oregonians to write letters with someone they've never met.

Oregon Humanities is a statewide organization that brings people together to talk, listen and learn from one another. "The need for human connection feels more urgent than ever," said Ben Waterhouse, communications manager for Oregon Humanities and creator of the Dear Stranger project. "We can't bring people together in person right now, but we can still provide ways to reach out and be heard."

The aim of Dear Stranger is to create shared understanding among Oregonians with different backgrounds, experiences and beliefs. The premise is simple: Write a letter, get a letter and make a new connection.

Oregon Humanities has operated Dear Stranger since 2014, with each round of the project asking writers to address a different question or theme. In 2020, more than 250 people participated, with letters coming from 29 states (and one from Belgium).

This winter's prompt for writers is about food: "How has your relationship

with food – what you eat and how you get it – changed over the past year? What is a favorite meal of yours and when is your first memory of that meal?"

Prompts for writing and instructions for participation are available on the Oregon Humanities website at oregonhumanities.org. Letters are swapped anonymously and each person receives a letter from the person who received the one they wrote. What happens next is up to the writers. If they'd like to write back, they can do so through Oregon Humanities.

Letters should be addressed to Oregon Humanities, Attn: Dear Stranger, 921 SW Washington St., Suite 150, Portland, OR 97205. Oregon Humanities will exchange letters mailed by Feb. 28, 2021. Questions about Dear Stranger should be directed to programs@oregonhumanities.org.

Oregon Humanities connects people and communities through conversation, storytelling and participatory programs to inspire understanding and collaborative change. More information about our programs and publications—which include the Conversation Project, Bridging Oregon, Consider This, Humanity in Perspective, Public Program Grants, Responsive Program Grants, and Oregon Humanities magazine—can be found at oregonhumanities.org.

Oregon Humanities is an independent, nonprofit affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities and a partner of the Oregon Cultural Trust.

How to access language materials online

Ch'ee-la xwii-t'i (Greetings everyone)

To assist Tribal members during this time of social distancing and the interruption of our normal schedules, this tutorial on how to access language materials and recordings from the Tribal website has been developed. I hope you and your families are safe and healthy during this time. Hopefully many folks can access these materials from the safety of their homes.

Go to www.ctsi.nsn.us. Enter in your roll number and last four digits of your Social security number to log on to the Tribal member access area. Click on "Our Heritage." On the drop down, click on "Language."

Lots of written and recorded materials are available in this section. The Nuu-wee-ya' (Our Words) Language Dictionary is on this page. You can click on the selection A to Z to look up written English language words and their Athabaskan equivalent.

Also on this page are Siletz Dee-ni Volumes 1, 2 & 3. Just click on "Study Materials" and scroll down. Volume 1 contains lessons on body parts, counting, relatives, foods and table talk.

In these lessons, the written word on the screen is accompanied by audio of the

word's pronunciation. Volume 2 contains animals, birds, colors, fish, greetings and goodbyes, insects, and trees and brush. Volume 3 contains lessons on sentence structure and word order.

Each lesson has a complete practical alphabet sound chart. All three volumes have a word document and audio recording for each lesson. Tests are available if you want to use them.

To access the Siletz Talking Dictionary, click on Siletz Language website. Drop down three lines and click on www. siletzlanguage.org, go to the Talking Dictionary tab and click on it. The Siletz Talking Dictionary Page will appear.

Just below the words "Search for" is an empty white box. Type in the word you are searching for and click on the "search" button. The word and the Athabaskan equivalent will appear just below the search box. To hear the word being spoken, simply click on the red ear icon on the left side of the page.

You may have to wait a few seconds for the page and sound to load, depending on your connectivity. Some of the words also have pictures.

Also on the www.siletzlanguage. org website are 14 Language learning videos and many other culture-related videos, materials and curriculum.

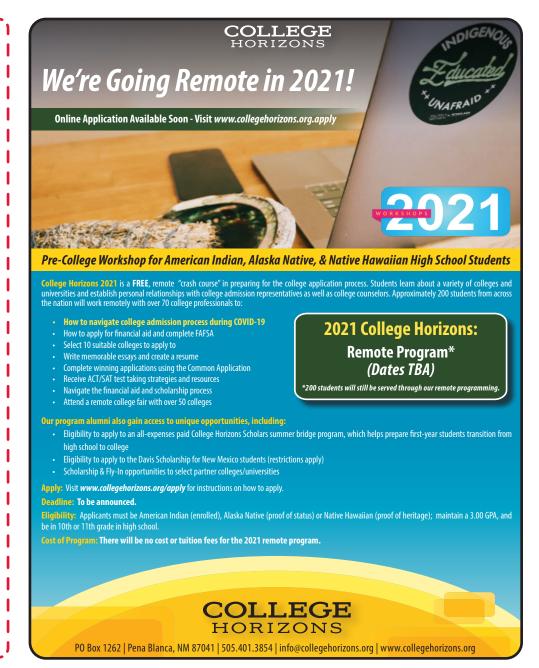
2021 Standing Committee applications due by Feb. 10, 2021

Any Tribal member interested in consideration for serving on a committee for a two-year term is encouraged to fill out this form and return it to the council office prior to Feb. 10, 2021.

Please **mail or fax** your application to Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Attn: Executive Secretary to Tribal Council, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549; fax: 541-444-8325.

Name:	Roll No:
Address:	
City:	State:ZIP:
Telephone: Day ()	Evening ()
If you only want to be considered for inserting the number 1 next to the commit more than one committee, please indicate choice), 2 (second choice) and 3 (third choice)	by numbering your preference, 1 (first
Education Committee (3)	Housing Committee (3)
Natural Resources Committee (3)	Pow-Wow Committee (4)
Health Committee (3)	Budget Committee (1)
Cultural Heritage Committee (3)	Enrollment Committee (3)

Committee appointments will be made at the Regular Tribal Council meeting in February 2021. If you have any questions, please call Tami Miner, executive secretary to Tribal Council, at 800-922-1399, ext. 1203, or 541-444-8203.



SERVICES AVAILABLE Mental Health Services & Life Alert

Mental Health Services

What services are available?

- Counseling Services individual or
- **Psychiatry Services**
- **Psychology Services**
- Up to 8-visits annually (more if medically necessary)

Who's eligible?

Siletz Tribal members eligible for Purchased/Referred Care (PRC), formerly Contract Health Services (CHS)

How do I get benefits?

Call PRC at 800-628-5720 or 541-444-9648 to speak with Rhonda Attridge, PRC Tech I.

- Prior to making an appointment with a provider – confirm the provider will accept PRC as payment.
- Benefits are limited, first-come, firstserved

What you need to know:

- After calling PRC for benefits, the patient will receive a letter with program details. The letter also provides information that the patient can give to their provider for payment processing information.
- You will not be required to use other resources first. This will allow you to go to a provider who does not accept Oregon Health Plan/Medicaid or your private insurance.

Life Alert

Please contact your local community

health advocate (CHA) if you think you or another Tribal elder could benefit from Life Alert.

- Eligibility Criteria:
 - Enrolled Tribal member eligible for PRC
 - Work with CHA to determine need/apply for local services

Steps to get Life Alert:

- Contact your local CHA -
- The CHA will determine if you meet the criteria for Life Alert (examples: live alone, health condition, etc.)
- The CHA will assist you in applying for Life Alert at no cost through com-

munity options. If you do not qualify for Life Alert at no cost, the Siletz Community Health Clinic will cover the cost.

You can reach the community health advocates at:

- Siletz Amy Garrett or Hannah Glaser at 541-444-1030
- Salem Cecilia Tolentino at 503-390-9494
- Eugene Adrienne Crooks at 541-484-4234
- Portland Andrew Johanson at 503-238-1512

Tribal employment information is available at ctsi.nsn.us.

Other Youth Opportunities Siletz Tribal Behavioral Health Programs

Prevention, Outpatient Treatment, and Women's and Men's **Transitional Living Center**

Siletz: 800-600-5599 or

541-444-8286

Eugene: 541-484-4234 Salem: 503-390-9494

Portland: 503-238-1512

Narcotics Anonymous Toll-Free Help Line - 877-233-4287

For information on Alcoholics Anonymous: aa-oregon.org

NAYA Ninth Grade Counts Deadline: Rolling

Dept. of Energy Scholars Program Deadline: Ongoing

National Park Service Tribal Stewards **Inclusion Program** Deadline: Ongoing

Center for Native American Youth at the Aspen Institute – Generation Indigenous Network Youth Ambassador

- National Youth Leadership Forum STEM Program Nomination Form Deadline: Various
- The Student Conservation Association
- Northwest Youth Corps
- Saturday Academy FREE Classes for Native American Students
- ON TRACK OHSU!
- The SMART Competition



STVRP is here to assist members of ANY federally recognized Tribe to overcome barriers to employment. We work with individuals who have disabilities and are living within the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians 11 county service area

Examples of Services:

- **Guidance and Counseling Referral to Services**
- **Employment Services**
- **Resume Writing**
- Interviewing Techniques
- **Culturally Relevant Individualized Services**
- **Evaluations and Assessments**
- Training Placement Opportunities
- **Adaptive Equipment**

For more information about the STVRP, please inquire at 1-800-922-1399. Services are provided in ALL area offices, however, to inquire about services, ask to be transferred to the office nearest you listed below.

> **EUGENE AREA OFFICE** 2468 West 11th Eugene, OR 97402

SALEM AREA OFFICE

3160 Blossom Dr NE, Ste 105 Salem, OR 97305

SILETZ ADMIN. OFFICE 201 SE Swan Ave Siletz, OR 97380

EUGENE – CURRENTLY OPEN Program Director SALEM - TONI LEIJA, Counselor/Job Developer

SILETZ - RACHELLE ENDRES, Counselor/Job Developer Siletz Voc. Physical Emotional



Scholarships

- Fastweb (scholarship search engine)
- Big Future (scholarship search engine)
- Pacific Northwest Scholarship Guide (scholarship search engine)
- OregonStudentAid.gov
- NYU Journalism-NAJA Scholarship Deadline: Feb. 20, 2021
- **ACS Scholars Program** Deadline: March 1, 2021
- **ALA Scholarship Program** Deadline: March 1, 2021
- American Indian Education Fund Graduate/Undergraduate Scholarships Deadline: April 4, 2021
- NAJA-Facebook Journalism Project Scholarship
- Deadline: April 30, 2021 Cobell Scholarship
- Deadline: April 2021 Full Circle Scholarship

Deadline: May 31, 2021

- Assoc. on American Indian Affairs Undergraduate/Graduate Scholarships Deadline: May 31, 2021
- Accenture American Indian Scholarships Deadline: May 2021
- Wells Fargo Undergraduate Scholarships Deadline: May 2021

AIS Scholarship Deadline: Varies

Open Education Database Graduate and Ph.D. Scholarships Deadline: Varies

Tribal College & University Scholarships

Deadline: Ongoing

American Indian Service Scholarships Deadline: Ongoing

American Indian s Science and Engineering Society (AISES) Scholarships Deadline: Ongoing

American Institute of CPAs Deadline: Varies

American Meteorological Society Minority Scholarships Deadline: Ongoing

Army Emergency Relief Scholarships Deadline: Ongoing

Catching the Dream Scholarships Deadline: Ongoing

College Board Scholarship Deadline: Ongoing

Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Scholarships

Deadline: Varies

National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering Deadline: Varies

Outside Scholarships for

NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENTS

Cobell Scholarship

http://cobellscholar.org/ various scholarships available *essay required Open to descendants/enrolled members

American Indian Services

https://www.americanindianservices.org/ various scholarships available *essay may be required Open to descendants/enrolled members

American Indian College Fund

http://www.collegefund.org/ various scholarships available *essay required Open to descendants/enrolled members

Bureau of Indian Education

http://www.bie.edu/ParentsStudents/Grants/ various scholarships available *essay may be required Open to descendants/enrolled members

Native American Scholarship Fund

http://catchingthedream.org/ various scholarships available *essay may be required Open to descendants/enrolled members

For more information about the Siletz Tribal language program, please visit siletzlanguage.org.

Important information for college-bound **Tribal seniors**

February

- First semester grades and mid-year reports are sent to some colleges.
- Check your school counseling office or ASPIRE center for scholarship information.
- Complete scholarships.
- Check with colleges applied to for verification they have received all necessary documents. Continue to monitor status of submitted applications.
- Check to see if your mid-year transcripts have been sent to the schools to which you have applied.
- Wrap up any scholarship application, essays and activities chart (for OSAC); early bird deadline is in February.

March

- Check for four Tribal scholarships at ctsi.nsn.us.
- Complete scholarships.
- Start working on Tribal higher education or adult vocational training grant application. This can be found on the Tribe's website and is due June 30.
- Review the Student Aid Report
- You should start receiving admission responses.

Visit OregonStudentAid.gov to check out more than 500 grant and scholarship opportunities.

Fellowships

- Fields Artists Fellowships Deadline: Feb. 15, 2021
- E. Kika De La Garza Fellowship Deadline: March 1, 2021
- Terra Preta do Indio Tribal Fellowship Deadline: March 1, 2021
- Booker T. Washington Fellowship Deadline: March 1, 2021
- Native American Journalism **Fellowship** Deadline: April 30, 2021
- Doris O'Donnell Innovations in Investigative Journalism Fellowship Deadline: June 30, 2021
- American Indian Graduate Center Deadline: Ongoing
- NOAA Fellowships Deadline: Ongoing
- **NBC** News Summer Fellows Program Deadline: Ongoing
- Master of Forest Resources Fellowships Deadline: Open until filled
- NW Native American Research Centers for Health Research Support Fellowship Deadline: Rolling
- Northwestern University's Center for Native American and Indigenous Research Undergraduate Fellowships Deadline: Rolling

Internships

- Native American Research Internship (Univ. of Utah) Deadline: Feb. 12, 2021
- NOAA Internships Deadline: Ongoing
- Code Switch Internship Deadline: Various
- HP 3D Printing Engineering Intern Deadline: Open until filled
- Wisdom of the Elders Agricultural **Incubator Internship** Deadline: Various
- Saturday Academy Internships Deadline: Multiple
- EPA Environmental Research and **Business Support Program** Deadline: Multiple
- National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates Deadline: Multiple
- Indian Land Tenure Foundation Deadline: Multiple
- **Environmental Protection Agency** Deadline: Multiple
- American Fisheries Society Deadlines: Multiple
- Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (OMSI) Deadline: Multiple



BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK ONLINE PROGRAM

THE BSW PROGRAM THROUGH PSU COMBINES SOCIAL JUSTICE THEORY WITH PRACTICAL, HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE. STUDENTS GAIN KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS TO WORK WITH INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES.

WHAT YOU NEED

Including 3 pre-reqs: one course each in PSY, SOC, and Human Development.

Computer, wifi internet, and a camera with audio for

Submit Application by March 1st

Materials posted January 1st at: pdx.edu/ssw/bsw-

Completed Application Materials

Find out about how to put together a strong questions answered by attending an online www.pdx.edu/ssw/bsw-online-program-info-sessions



WHAT YOU GET

Courses Fully Online

Two years of study in a supportive cohort model of learning. Classes may require collaborative, one course is completely synchronous.

Field Placement In Your Community Working with populations that you care about.

Skills to Be a Change Agent

Regarding issues, policies, and needs that affect communities, individuals, and their families.

For More Information Contact: Mollie Janssen, mjanssen@pdx.edu Kate Constable, k.d.constable@pdx.edu

Kim Utschig, kutschig@pdx.edu

https://www.pdx.edu/ssw/bachelors-in-social-work

Tribal Council Timesheets for December 2020

Lillie Butler - 12/1/20-12/31/20

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl		
2.75	2.5					12/1-2	Government-to-Government
3	3					12/3-4	Packets
3.5	3.5					12/16-17	Packets
2.5	2.5					12/18	Regular TC
5	5					12/21-23	Packets
4.5	4.5					12/28-30	Packets

Loraine Y. Butler - 12/1/20-12/31/20

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC ED	Tvl		
		1			12/8	Packets
			.5		12/9	STBC mtg
		2.5			12/10	Special TC – gaming
1.5	1.5				12/14-15	Packets
2.5	2.5				12/18	Regular TC
.75	.75				12/23	Special TC

Reggie Butler Sr. - 12/1/20-12/31/20

T	\mathbb{C}	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl			
3		3					12/1-2	Government-to-Government	
3.	25	3.25					12/3-7	Packets	
4.	25	4.25	3				12/14-17	Packets	
2.	5	2.5					12/18	Regular TC	
12	2.75	12.75					12/21-31	Packets	

Sharon Edenfield - 12/1/20-12/31/20

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC ED	Tvl		
1	1				12/8	Packets, minutes
.5	.5		.5		12/9	STBC mtg, Consent Decree
		2.75			12/10	Special TC – gaming
.5	.5				12/13	Packets, minutes
.5	.5				12/15	Consent Decree
.75	.75				12/16	Packets, judge for H4H
2.5	2.5				12/18	Regular TC
.5	.5				12/23	Special TC

Alfred Lane III - 12/1/20-12/31/20

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl		
.5	.5					12/9	Consent Decree
		2.75				12/10	Special TC – gaming

Delores Pigsley - 12/1/20-12/31/20

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl		
3.5	3.5	1.5				12/1-2	Governor's Summit, mail
5	5					12/3-8	Mail, agenda items, prep for mtgs, news article
1.25	1.25		1.5			12/9	STBC mtg, conf call, mail
1	1	3				12/10	Special TC – gaming, mail, agenda items
2	2	.5				12/11-14	Mail, agenda items, news article
3	3	.5				12/15-16	Conf calls, mail, agenda items, prep for council
1.25	1.25					12/17	Conf call w/ Rep. Schrader, mail, agenda items
3.25	3.25					12/18	Regular TC, mail
.75	.75					12/19-20	Mail
1.75	1.75	.5				12/21-22	Chemawa Station LLC, mail, agenda items
1.75	1.75					12/23-28	Special TC, mail
1.5	1.5					12/29-31	Conf call w/ LCIS, mail

Angela Ramirez - 12/1/20-12/31/20

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC ED	Tvl		
1.5	1.5	1			12/4-8	Email, packets
			1.5		12/9	STBC mtg
		3.25			12/10	Special TC – gaming
.5	.5				12/16	Packets
1.75	1.75				12/17	Interviews, email, packets
2	2	.5			12/18	Regular TC, email, packets
.5	.5				12/23	Special TC
.25	.25	.5			12/24-28	Email, packets

Selene Rilatos - 12/1/20-12/31/20

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl		
10	10					12/1-6	COVID, email, packets, reports
2	2					12/7-8	Health Comm, COVID, email, mail, packets
1	1		1.5			12/9	STBC mtg, email, COVID
1	1	2.5				12/10	Special TC – gaming, email, mail
6	6					12/11-17	Email, mail, packets, COVID
3.25	3.25					12/18	Regular TC, email
1.75	1.75					12/19-22	Email, mail
.75	.75					12/23	Special TC, mail
3.5	3.25					12/26-31	Email, mail, packets

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Oregon Humanities seeking applications for Fields Artist Fellowship program

PORTLAND, Ore. – Oregon Humanities, in partnership with Oregon Community Foundation, is now accepting applications for the second round of the Fields Artist Fellowship program, offering two years of financial support to Oregonbased artists who are in a pivotal moment or inflection point in their careers.

Four artists will be awarded twoyear fellowships to advance their artistic practice while developing creative and meaningful ways to address and respond to the opportunity gap in Oregon. The first Fields Artist Fellowships were awarded in 2019 to Crystal Akins of Lincoln City, Mic Crenshaw of Portland, Ka'ila Farrell-Smith of Chiloquin and Joe Whittle of Enterprise.

Applications will be accepted until Feb. 15, 2021. More information on how to apply is available at oregonhumanities.org. Fellowships will be awarded by July 2021.

Fields Artist Fellows will respond to and explore the opportunity gap in their region, participate in cohort gatherings and document their experiences and projects. Each fellow will receive \$100,000 during the two-year term. In addition, eight finalists will each receive a one-time award of \$10,000.

The phrase "opportunity gap" refers to widening socioeconomic disparities across Oregon largely determined by the circumstances into which a child is born, such as family circumstances, neighborhoods, educational experiences, and race and ethnicity.

Artists of all disciplines are encouraged to apply, including writers, filmmakers, visual artists, multimedia artists, culture bearers, and performance artists. Eligibility requirements include the following:

- At least five years of professional practice in an artistic discipline or combination of disciplines
- At least three years of residence in Oregon (non-continuous) and the intent to reside in Oregon for the majority of the fellowship term (Sept. 1, 2021, to Sept. 30, 2023)
- Demonstrable evidence of artistic practice that can engage with community groups and organizations and/ or address community concerns











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Native arts foundation offers 2 award programs for American Indian artists

VANCOUVER, Wash. – The Native Arts and Cultures Foundation (NACF) is pleased to announce its open call for two new award programs.

After a year of strategic planning and working closely with our network of artists, grantees and stakeholders, NACF moves into its second decade with SHIFT, a two-year program designed to support artist and community-driven projects responding to social, environmental or economic justice issues through a Native lens.

NACF is also launching LIFT, a one-year award and early career support program for emerging Native artists to develop and realize new projects.

"Through these programs, we are all offered deeper insight into the complexities of contemporary Native life. Our artists speak for us, challenging our notions of identity and culture, revealing our innate brilliance and pointing us toward a better future," said Reuben Tomás Roqueñi (Yaqui/Mayo/Chicanx descent), NACF's director of Transformative Change Programs.

SHIFT Program

NACF is now accepting letters of interest for the SHIFT-Transformative Change and Indigenous Arts program. SHIFT is a two-year award that includes financial resources, professional devel-

opment, artist/stakeholder convening, cross-sector collaboration, evaluation, exhibiting and presenting opportunities for Native artists, cultural practitioners and community partners.

The program's focus is to bring attention to Native communities to shift a national narrative of invisibility, misunderstanding and misappropriation. SHIFT will provide invaluable resources for project development, production and presentation for artists and their collaborators.

Eligible letters of interest must include both a Native artist applicant (individual or an artist collective) and a partner organization/co-applicant working in dance/choreography, fiction/poetry writing, film/video, multi-disciplinary arts, music, performance art, theater and screenplay writing, traditional arts, or 2D + 3D visual arts.

Artist applicant must be an enrolled member or citizen of a federally recognized or state-recognized American Indian Tribe or Alaska Native corporation, or of Native Hawaiian ancestry. Partner organization/co-applicants must be a U.S.-based nonprofit organization, for-profit business or Tribal agency working in collaboration with Native artists or Native artist collectives.

We encourage artists to apply who have experience developing projects focused on engaging communities and the public to address community issues; build upon community cultural assets; and partner with organizations to develop and present the work.

SHIFT is a monetary award totaling \$100,000 for two years, with \$50,000 of the award earmarked for the lead artist or artist collective. Up to 10 projects will be selected to receive SHIFT awards.

For a full description of the award, eligibility requirements and to apply, visit http://bit.ly/NACF-shift. The deadline to submit the online letter of interest form for SHIFT is Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 5 p.m. PDT.

LIFT Program

NACF is also accepting applications for the LIFT-Early Career Support for Native Artists program. LIFT will provide one-year awards for early-career Native artists to develop and realize new projects.

The program's focus is to provide financial support and professional development to artists whose work aims to uplift communities and advance positive social change.

Eligible applicants must be individual Native artists working in dance/choreography, fiction/poetry writing, film/video, multi-disciplinary arts, music, performance art, theater and screenplay writing, traditional arts, or 2D + 3D visual arts.

Artist applicant must be an enrolled member or citizen of a federally recognized or state-recognized American Indian Tribe or Alaska Native corporation, or of Native Hawaiian ancestry. We encourage artists to apply who are shaping their practices and for whom the award may serve as a launching point in their career.

LIFT is a monetary award of \$10,000 for a proposed project, with \$2,500 earmarked for the artist's benefit and wellbeing. Up to 20 artists will be selected to receive LIFT awards.

For a full description of the award, eligibility requirements and to apply, please visit http://bit.ly/NACF-lift. The deadline to submit the online application form for LIFT is Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 5 p.m. PDT.

About the Native Arts and Cultures Foundation

The Native Arts and Cultures Foundation's mission is to advance equity and cultural knowledge, focusing on the power of arts and collaboration to strengthen Native communities and promote positive social change with American Indian, Native Hawaiian and Alaska Native peoples in the United States.

The foundation has supported more than 300 artists and arts organizations in 34 states and the District of Columbia. To learn more, visit nativeartsandcultures.org.

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Gover named to new position as undersecretary at Smithsonian, leaves NMAI

Kevin Gover, the director of the National Museum of the American Indian, has been named the Smithsonian's undersecretary for museums and culture, effective Jan. 17. The position oversees the Smithsonian's history and art museums, its cultural centers, and the Archives of American Art, Smithsonian Exhibits and the National Collections Program.

Gover has served as undersecretary in an acting capacity since February 2020. He reports to Meroe Park, the Smithsonian's deputy secretary and chief operating officer.

Gover (Pawnee Tribe of Oklahoma) began as director of the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian in 2007. As director, he oversaw the Washington, D.C., and New York City museums as well as the Cultural Resources Center in Suitland, Md.

Gover has led the museum to pursue equity and social justice for Native people through education, inspiration and empowerment, and the museum has worked to expand people's ideas of what it means to be American Indian.

Under his leadership, the museums have opened numerous critically acclaimed exhibitions in Washington and New York, including Americans, which uncovers the many ways American Indian images, names and stories have been part of the nation's history, identity and pop culture since before the country began; Nation to Nation: Treaties Between the United States and American Indian Nations, which examines the history and legacy of U.S.-American Indian diplomacy from the colonial period through the present; Infinity of Nations: Art and History in the Collections of the National Museum of the American Indian, a permanent exhibition of some 700 works of Native art from throughout North, Central and South America that demonstrates the breadth of the museum's renowned collection; and Stretching the Canvas: Eight Decades of Native Painting, which presents works by 30 artists and explores broad topics at different points in modern art history starting at about 1940 to near present day.

Most recently, in November 2020 the museum completed and opened the National Native American Veterans Memorial. The memorial, which sits on the grounds of the museum in Washington, was commissioned by Congress to give "all Americans the opportunity to learn of the proud and courageous tradition of service of Native Americans in the Armed Forces of the United States."

American Indians have served in every major military conflict in the U.S. since the Revolutionary War. This is the first national landmark in Washington to focus on the contributions of American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians who have served in the military.

Gover also oversaw the launch of Native Knowledge 360°, the museum's national educational initiative.

NK360° is a set of teaching resources that provides educators and students with new perspectives on American Indian history and cultures. It offers educational materials and training for teachers that incorporate Native narratives, more comprehensive histories and accurate information to enlighten and inform teaching and learning about Native America.

It challenges common assumptions about Native peoples – their cultures, their roles in U.S. and world history, and their contributions to the arts, sciences and literature. The initiative provides a view that includes not only the past, but

also the richness and vibrancy of Native peoples and cultures today.

The museum has also expanded its educational offerings to include virtual field trips and webinars, including the popular Youth in Action: Conversations About Our Future series, which features young Native activists and changemakers from across the Western Hemisphere working toward equity and social justice for Indigenous peoples.

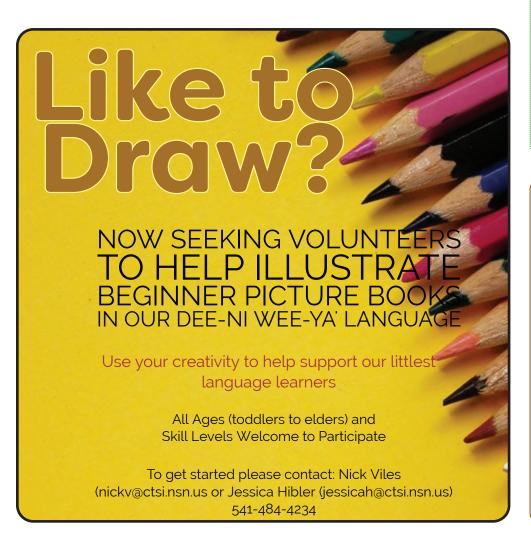
Machel Monenerkit will continue to serve as acting director of the museum following Gover's departure. She is currently the museum's deputy director.

Monenerkit joined the museum in 1994 as a volunteer and then became a program manager in the public programs office at the museum in New York. In 1998, she transferred to the museum's location in Washington, where she oversaw three major projects for the museum's 2004 opening.

Monenerkit joined the museum's executive office in 2006. As deputy director, she oversees several museum departments, including administration, advancement, and executive and financial planning.

Tribal employment information is available at ctsi.nsn.us.





From the Corvallis Gazette-Times in Corvallis, Ore.; originally posted Jan. 11, 2021

Siletz Tribes made 2020 better

Happy New Year, everyone! 2020 was a tough year for all of us. We faced COVID-19, wildfires, political rhetoric, civil unrest, online school and multiple shutdowns

To start off 2021, I would like to give special thanks to the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, who stepped up to help the city of Philomath through a tumultuous year

I thank the Tribe for its numerous contributions to the Philomath community to include donations for the Philomath Police Department for a new public safety traffic enforcement sign, donations to Philomath Community Services for food provisions for people facing food insecurity concerns, and assistance provided to the Philomath Youth Activities Club for a summer youth cultural exchange at the 2021 annual Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow.

I would also like to personally thank Robert Kentta, the cultural director, for sharing his tremendous knowledge of Siletz Tribal history he gave us back in October. It was excellent and very informative for all who attended. The Tribe also generously donated a beautiful Siletz Tribal flag at our December Philomath City Council meeting. It was ceremoniously presented by two local Philomath Native American brothers who proudly represented their Native heritage.

I am grateful for the relationship Philomath has built with the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians. I am very thankful for their generosity in 2020. I look forward to continuing to strengthen our friendship in the years to come.

Eric Niemann (mayor, 1919-1920)

Siletz News Letters Policy

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Happy 18th Birthday, Spencer! Much love to you on this special birthday. Love, the Ben/Tomlinson families



Happy 9th Birthday, Branson! I hope your day is filled with lots of smiles and happiness.

Love, Mom



Happy 4th Birthday, Izeyah! We love you so much. ♥

Love, Mommy, Daddy and Yoshi

Be safe.

I want to wish a very Happy 3rd Birthday to my beautiful baby girl, Aryah Luthrica, on Feb. 11. Mommy and brothers love you so very much.

Happiest of 3rd birthdays to our beautiful princess, Aryah Luthrica! Poppa and Mamma love you more than all the stars in the galaxies. You're our sunshine!

Love, Poppa and Mamma

Stay home.

Stay well.

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Happy 13th Birthday, Cori! You are officially a teenager!

Love, the Ben/Tomlinson families

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Tribal website – ctsi.nsn.us; follow links – Tribal Services-Housing-Low Rent Apartments & Home Ownership.

Questions? Call 800-922-1399, ext. 1322, or 541-444-8322; fax: 541-444-8313

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Salem Finance Office – 888-870-9051 Portland Area Office – 503-238-1512

Eugene Area Office – 541-484-4234

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Siletz Community Health Clinic – 800-648-0449

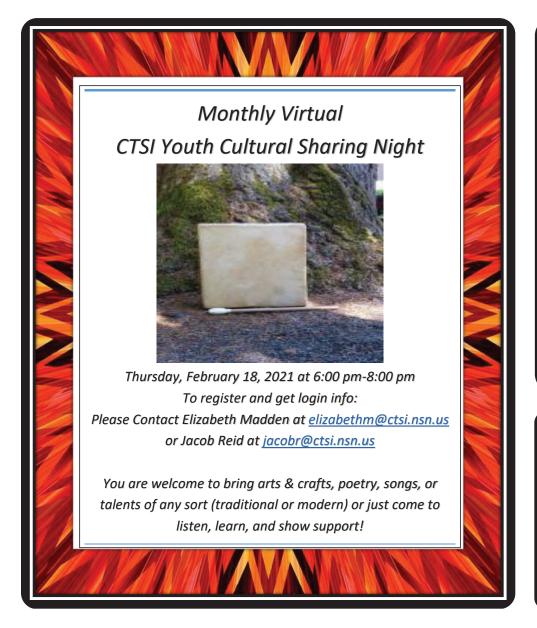
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