



MEDICARE PREMIUM REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM - OPEN NATIONWIDE

What started out as a promise made to one tribal elder turned into a program which benefits the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians' elders across the country.

"One special elder touched my heart. She was 80 years old and still cleaning hotel rooms for five dollars a room. I made her a promise that day that I would do whatever I could to get more money back in her pocket," Valorie Glazier, LTBB's Sponsorship Specialist (formerly the Patient Benefits Specialist), recounts.

This is known as the Medicare Reimbursement Program. With the support of Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley, it was launched in 2019 and continues to support the costs of Medicare premiums for eligible LTBB citizens nationwide. There are two reimbursement periods: January and July of each calendar year. It is important to note these reimbursement periods open in these months; it can take several weeks to process applications and start getting checks out to citizens.

To qualify, a person must: 1) be an enrolled member of LTBB and submit a copy of their Tribal ID; 2) be enrolled in Medicare and submit a copy of their Medicare card; 3) show proof of their Medicare premium expenses; and 4) fill out and sign the Medicare Premium Reimbursement Program application. More detailed information about applying can be found on the application itself.

While this may seem like a lot of steps on the front end of the process, they each allow the processing of payments to run efficiently.

Valorie Glazier says this is vital to the program, "If there are missing documents, I have to stop processing applications and reach out to them to retrieve the information. Sometimes, this can take several phone conversations, e-mails or faxes, depending on what is easiest for them."

With hundreds of applications being received at a time, backtracking delays the process.

In addition, there are quite a few checks and balances behind the scenes that must happen before the checks are mailed to the recipients. These steps are necessary to ensure funds for this program are being used in a responsible way. Rest assured, the LTBB Health Department continues to strive to get payments mailed out and greatly appreciates the patience of the eligible tribal citizens of this program.

"I will continue to work my very hardest for them every day. This program is very important to me and I have a great passion to help our tribal citizens get some money back into their pockets," Valorie Glazier promised.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the program, Valorie Glazier is available at 231-242-1748. Applications can be picked up at the LTBB Health Department or mailed upon request.

JUSTIN GAVIN'S PASSION FOR COOKING BEGAN AT AN EARLY AGE

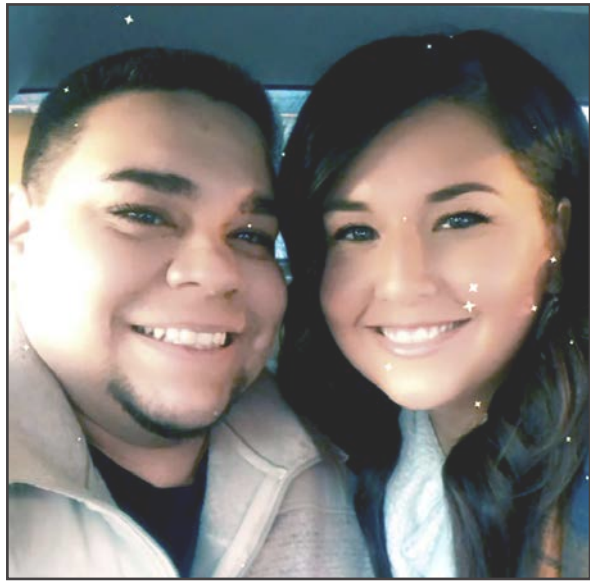
By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Justin Gavin's grandmother, the late Victoria (Kishigo) Reyes, used to take him to the elders luncheons held at the Indian Center in Lansing, MI, after he spent the first half of the day in kindergarten.

"I helped make salads and helped prepare the food," said Justin, an LTBB Tribal Citizen. "I was like the sous chef. I remember thinking, this is fun, maybe this is something I can do for a career. That's where my passion for cooking started. Now, I'm always cooking."

His career has come full circle as he works as the chef for the LTBB Elders Department, preparing three meals a week for our tribal elders. He and his wife, Justine, own the Tasty Mitt catering company.

"I've always wanted to serve my community," said Justin, who has worked as the chef in the Elders Department since August 2019. "I get a lot of help from the Elders Department staff. Greg Karlis (an Elders Department shuttle driver) has worked in restaurants before, and he enjoys the camaraderie and the kitchen. Justine is our in-house pastry chef and resident baker. She makes all the desserts. I don't have the patience or the experience in baking, so she takes care of that. I can cook anything, but I'm not a baker."



An Association on Aging grant funds the elders luncheons, and there are dietary restrictions involved with the grant.

"When I do the menus, I think, what would my grandparents want to eat," he said. "This is a big meat and potatoes crowd. I try to keep it simple and make comfort foods. It's a balance of making it work within the dietary restrictions and pleasing the crowd. I ask the elders to let me know what they want to eat," *"Gavin" continued on page 31.*

MICHIGAN ODAWA NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBE AND WINGS OF WONDER PARTNER ON EAGLE AVIARY AND REHAB CENTER



Little Traverse Bay Bands and Celebrated Michigan Raptor Expert Collaborate on First Tribal Eagle Aviary East of the Mississippi River

Doug Craven, Director of the Natural Resource Department of the Little Traverse Bay Bands (LTBB) of Odawa Indians, and Rebecca Lessard, founder of Wings of Wonder (WOW) raptor rehabilitation center, announced the establishment of the Migizi Aviary and Rehabilitation Center. Located on LTBB land in the northwestern part of Michigan's lower peninsula, the center will be the first tribal eagle aviary center east of the Mississippi River, and one of only eight nationwide. One of the country's most celebrated raptor rehabilitators, Rebecca Lessard, founded and operated WOW in Empire, MI, rehabilitating hundreds of eagles and other raptors for more than 30 years. During that time, Craven and the tribe rescued and trans-

ported dozens of eagles and other injured birds of prey to WOW for treatment. Many of these raptors were able to return to tribal lands for release back into the wild. In recent years, the idea of a tribal raptor center began to incubate as Doug and Rebecca discussed their shared passion for raptors, the importance of eagles to Native American worship and culture and the need for awareness about the ongoing human impact on birds of prey. They imagined a public raptor center with a rehabilitation hospital and a lifetime home for several non-releasable eagles to educate the public about these majestic birds.



"Migizi, eagles, are highly revered within Odawa culture and are central to many traditional teachings. We take great pride in and are honored to take a leading role in safeguarding and caring for these sacred birds," Doug said. "We are thrilled" *"Eagle Aviary" continued on page 31.*

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Melissa Shomin
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Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of LTBB Mission Statement
Debendiziwin aawan maanda Odawa aawiyiing. Geyaabi gdaa'anaa miinwaa gdanwewmi Anishinaabemowin, maanda egishkaago'iing debendiziwin ebidgwasiing mnaadendiziwin miinwaa wiinmaadendiziying. Gdabendaanaa debendiziwin kina gwaya Odawak naasaap eyaamjik, maanda naakinigewinan, maadiziwin miinwaa mndoowaadiziwin gaanaaniigaaniik debendamowaad. Maanda debendiziwin eyaamiing nangwa, kanamaajidonaa niigaan ezhibezhigoyiing, kinoomaadwin, dbaakinigewin, giigidowin miinwaa naakinigewin. Kazhiibignaketaanaa maanda niizhwaachiing bimaadiziwin waabi'aamigak mjignamiing ninda mnomaadiziwinan echipiitendaakin: nbwaakaawin, zaagidwin, mnaadenda-mowin, aakdeewin, gwekwaadiziwin, dbaadendiziwin miinwaa debwewin. Kanakaazinaa ninda gdabendaaswinaanin, jimiigwe'iing nakaazwinan jimnomewzi'iing, enitaanokijik maampii Anishinaabek enaapshkaamwaad maanda gbimaadziwin. Ninda eyaamiing echipiitendaakin, miigo kina gwaya maampii enjibaad jiniigaanibizad.

LTBB Mission Statement
Being Odawa is all about freedom. The Freedom to be a part of a people who, with integrity and pride, still have and speak our own language. The freedom to share in common with all other Odawak the customs, culture, and spirituality of our ancestors. The freedom we have today we will bring to the future through unity, education, justice, communication, and planning. We will reach out to the next seven generations by holding to cultural values of Wisdom, Love, Respect, Bravery, Honesty, Humility and Truth. We will utilize our Tribal assets to provide the necessary tools to become successful, hard-working community members who proudly represent our culture. With these values we will move the Tribe forward.

Contact Information

ODAWA TRAILS



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The Communications Department welcomes submissions for our "Lines From Our Membership" section of the newsletter, but we cannot run anything political in nature or expressing an opinion due to a long-standing department policy. Because we have a newsletter and not a newspaper, we do not have an editorial page. We reserve the right to edit any material submitted for space and content.
The deadline for the May 2021 issue of *Odawa Trails* is April 5, 2021.
You can e-mail or call your submissions in to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or at 231-242-1427 or 231-242-1429. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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DEPARTMENTS & PROGRAMS



COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Easter Coloring Contest Rules

Crayons * Markers * Paint * Stickers * Colored Pencils * Glitter * You choose!

- Age categories are 3-7 and 8-12.
- Limit one submission per child.
- All entries must be the original size.

- Open to LTBB Community Citizens.
- Entries can only be submitted by snail mail to:
Attention: Communications Department, LTBB Governmental Center, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740. No exceptions!

- All mailed entries must be postmarked by April 5, 2021. No exceptions!
- Submissions judged by Communications/Odawa Trails staff with three winners being selected in each age category. Each winner will receive a prize!



Name: _____

Age: _____ Phone: _____



#COVIDStopsWithMe

HHS.gov

What have you been doing to occupy your time during the Stay Home, Stay Safe period?

Submit your photograph and short description along with your name to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov to be included in the Odawa Trails newsletter. Any questions, please send them to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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EXECUTIVE BRANCH

FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE



for Indian health programs

- \$2 billion for lost revenue
- \$500 million for Purchased/Referred Care
- \$140 million for information technologies, telehealth and electronic health records infrastructure
- \$84 million for urban Indian health programs
- \$600 million for vaccine-related activities
- \$1.5 billion for testing, tracing and mitigating COVID-19
- \$240 million for public health workforce
- \$420 million for mental and behavioral health prevention and treatment services among Indian tribes, tribal organizations and urban Indian organizations
- \$600 million for funding

support of tribal health care facilities and infrastructure

- \$10 million for potable water delivery

The plan will directly assist tribes with housing assistance, COVID-19 response resources, funding for the preservation of Native languages and Department of Education grants to tribal education agencies.

We are currently on calls about how the funding will be administered to tribal governments and at the writing of this article, LTBB has not received any funds. I am grateful for our health clinic staff; last week alone, they administered just over 700 immunizations.

We continue to respond to the pandemic and move forward in a good way.

We are pleased with the passing of the American Rescue Plan that was signed into law on March 11.

Highlights of the bill are as follows.

The American Rescue Plan will provide the following American Indian/Alaska Native health provisions:

- \$6.094 billion in funding

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

REQUEST FOR TCE - TIMELINE REMINDER

The LTBB Department of Commerce (DOC) would like to remind all Resident Tribal Members to please submit all Requests for TCEs prior to making the actual purchase(s). Due to the many areas of verification that occur with a TCE Request, DOC has up to 96 hours to process a completed Request once all backup and necessary information has been received – provided there are no issues found during the verification processes or circumstances that happen beyond our control (i.e., power outages, etc.).

Please make an effort to submit your Requests

within the 96-hour timeframe, so that there is a sufficient amount of time to complete the verification processes. While we do understand that sometimes this may not be possible – this should be a last resort situation and we ask that you please reach out to us as soon as possible if you do have a unique circumstance that does not allow you to submit your Request in advance. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the TCE process – please contact the LTBB DOC office at 231-242-1584 or by e-mail at DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Miigwech – Hayden Hooper, Department of Commerce Director.

LTBB TAX AGREEMENT AREA FOR RESIDENT TRIBAL MEMBERS

Listed are the townships that are included in the LTBB Tax Agreement Area. In order to receive the Resident Tribal Member benefits, your principle address must be within the Tax Agreement Area and must be on file with the Enrollment Department. Please take note of the townships denoted with an asterisk (*) as these are only partially included in the Tax Agreement Area. If you already live in the Tax Agreement Area and are not utilizing the Resident Tribal Member benefits, please contact the LTBB DOC Office, so I can go over these with you.

A map of the Tax Agreement Area can be found on the LTBB website under the Commerce section. The DOC Office is also available to help citizens determine whether or not their address falls into the Tax Agreement Area. DOC can be reached by calling 231-242-1584 or by e-mailing

DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Miigwech. – Hayden Hooper, Department of Commerce Director.

LTBB Tax Agreement Area Townships

Cross Village (all)
 Friendship (all)
 Little Traverse (all)
 City of Petoskey (all)
 Readmond (all)
 West Traverse (all)
 City of Harbor Springs (all)
 Bear Creek (all)
 *Resort (partial)
 *Hayes (partial)
 *Bay (partial)
 *City of Charlevoix (only North of the bridge)
 *Charlevoix Township (only North of the bridge)

ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE HAS A NEW MAIL DROP BOX

It is located to the left of the front doors of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. We will have limited quantities of adult and minor address forms stocked. ****Weather Permitting****

We will happily set aside an envelope with any specific form(s) you may need as well. Just give our office a call, and we will be more than happy to try to accommodate you.

All Enrollment services are available by appointment only. You may call or e-mail to work with our staff.

231-242-1521, 231-242-1522, 231-242-1520 or enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov



Tribal Citizens Fee Schedule	FEES
Replacement/Expired Cards A replacement card is lost, stolen, expired or has an address change. Free to Elders.	\$10
Tribal Directory Adults 18 and enrolled prior to 2/28/2017 Published every 4 years.	\$5
Tribal Directory Labels Requestor must provide labels.	\$5
LTBB List The list includes adult's first, middle and last names only.	\$5
Photocopies of Enrollment file First 3 copies free, \$1 for each page thereafter.	\$1 ea
Marriage License Application Certified Copies: \$10 Photo Copies: \$5	\$15
Tribal Notary Application Surety Bond: \$125 (Payable: Brownrigg Companies LTD)	\$10
Services	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Enrollment Applications. ➢ Address Change Forms. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adults require notarization if mail is delivered to a post office box. ○ Minors require notarization annually. ➢ Tribal Directory. ➢ Marriage License Application. ➢ Tribal Notary Application. ➢ Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver Certification. ➢ BIA – 4432 Indian Preference Form. ➢ Eagle Feather Application and Re-Order Form. ➢ Certifier of LTBB Degree of Indian Blood. 	

Tribal Notary Commission Full Name	Current Status	Phone Number	Surety Bond Expiration	Serial Number
Rebecca R Fisher	Active	231-242-1418	February 21, 2021	02-09
Cynthia Brouckaert	Active	231-242-1462	June 5, 2023	05-09
Beverly J Wemigwase	Active	231-242-1400	February 22, 2021	10-09
Julie Rose Janiskee	Active	231-242-1610	August 23, 2021	11-09
Rose M Pyant	Active	231-242-1563	April 5, 2023	12-09
Marin C Taylor	Active	231-242-1521	May 14, 2024	13-09
Janice L. Shackelford	Active	unavailable	February 16, 2026	14-09
Hayden Hooper	Active	231-242-1584	February 1, 2027	15-09

Please Note:

Changeable address forms are available for LTBB Citizens at www.tinyurl.com/ltbbenrollmentforms. The forms must be printed and signed by the Tribal Citizen and hard copies returned to Enrollment. We still require the form to be witnessed or notarized depending on your address.

LTBB Enrollment Office 231-242-1521

Need to update your address?

When you move, please contact the Enrollment Office and we will send you an Address Verification Form.

Address Verification and many other Enrollment forms are also available at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. They can be found in the Forms Directory or on the Enrollment page of the website.

It is the responsibility of the parent, guardian or custodial parent to complete an address form for any minor children.

If you are the custodial parent of a minor, please provide proof by documentation.

Upon reaching the age of 18, an Adult Address Verification form must be completed. Failure to do so may result in a delay of per capita payment.

If you are incarcerated and would like to continually receive the newsletter, you must keep your address current.

Minor verification forms must be signed and notarized.

Adult verification forms must be signed and either witnessed or notarized, depending on your address.

Contact the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1521, 231-242-1520 or by e-mail enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

IS YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION CURRENT?



Update your contact information with the Enrollment Department.

- ADDRESS
- PHONE NUMBER
- EMAIL ADDRESS
- VETERAN STATUS



Marin Taylor 231.242.1521
 Kathryn Burek 231.242.1522
 Pauline Boulton 231.242.1520

April Elders Birthdays

April 1

Loretta Cook
John Kenoshmeg, Sr.
Christine Kawegoma
Audrey Gribben

April 2

Keith Kiogima, Sr.
Marilyn Hume
Betty Peacock
Vicki Emery
Anne Cowell

April 3

William Denemy
Lynn Martin

April 4

Sandra Tipton
Viola Wood
Mary Kiogima

April 5

Regina Hardwick
Gloria Purifoy
Yvonne Sineway
Susan Townley

April 6

Steven Shenoskey
Ricky Reiter

April 7

Thomas Nongueskwa
Ivan Taylor
Larry Cartwright
Cynthia Kiogima
Brion Himes
Nannette Clearing
Sky-Christensen

April 8

Karyn Krueger
Kelly Lyle
Rose Newman
Mitchell Baker, Sr.

April 9

Sharon Tracey
Wayne Stine
Karyn Young
Dawn Malcomson
Melissa Moses

April 10

Louretta Eidt
Sadi Synn
Carl Shawa
Michael Smith
Michael Shomin
Mary Wemigwase

April 11

Jamie Martin
John Naganashe
Gerald Keller
Karen Morrison
Lauretta Gilbert
Christine Haines
Robin Barney-Lees

April 12

Elaine Ramirez
LaVerne Bottoms
Norman Rittenhouse, Sr.

April 13

Janice Grooms
Willie Rawls, Jr.

April 14

Kevin Barry
Richard Klevgard
William Crampton

April 15

Kenneth Sands
Sharon Duffey
Karl Kilborn
Jacqueline Myers

April 16

Frederick Perry, Sr.
Claire Reinhout
Diane Roe
Elizabeth Gillispie
Laura Morche'

April 17

Angeline Woodin
Kevin Gasco
Susan Grech
Gregory Warren
Merle Hansen
Michael Crossett

April 18

Thomas Kiogima, Sr.
Martin Van De Car

April 19

Margaret Gasco
Debra Holbeck
Michael Cherette
Gregory Barrette
Mary Niswander
Tina Hea
Brenda Sabella
Frank Ettawageshik

April 20

Linda Steinman
Catherine Laba
Deborah Shawanibin
Veda Segundo Estrada

April 21

Richard Hays

April 22

Harold Salter
Wanda Carr
Mary Hill

April 23

Brian Darling
Michele Portman-LaCount

April 24

Sharon Cranick
William Denemy
Mary Bowers

April 25

Gary Kaestner
Susan Sloan
Virgil Honson

April 26

Kelly Wesaw
Scott Pliier

April 27

Mary Baldwin
Dale Willis
Aaron Chingwa
Michael Shepard

April 28

Margaret Kiogima Gardner
Donald Houghton
Alfred Sprague

April 29

Michael Anthony
Cynthia Daley
Carmalene Baker
Richard Kewaygeshik

April 30

Catherine Wright
Judith Smith
Pauline Walker
Robert Kaestner
James Keway
Johnathan Medicine



Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls

BOONTAK (Stop it!): Stolen Daughters of Turtle Island

Changing exhibition open to the public

Tuesday - Saturday • 10am - 3pm

February 2 - May 5, 2021

All health protocols in effect. Free admission.

Over 5,700 American Indian and Alaska Native women and girls were reported missing as of 2016, according to the National Crime Information Center, but only 116 of those cases were logged with the Department of Justice. Eighty-four percent of Native women experience violence in their lifetime, according to the National Institute of Justice. A 2008 study found that women in some tribal communities are 10 times more likely to be murdered than the national average.

For more information, please contact: William Johnson, Ziibiwing Curator at 989.775.4730



Anishinaabe morning prayer

Miigwech nmishomis
Thank you Grandfather



Miigwech nookmis
Thank you grandmother

Gii-bi-waase-aazheyin nongwa
For the shining sun today



Miigwech ndikid nongwa
I say thank you for today



Gii-miizhiyaang mino-bi-maad-zi-win
For giving us life

Miigwech ndikid nongwa gii-miizhiyaang nesewin
I say thank you mother earth for giving us



Ogii-miizhiyaang nbiish
For giving us water

Ogii-miizhiyaang wesiinyag, beneshiiyag, amoodejik, miinwaa nbiishing aa-yaa-jig
For giving us animals, birds and the animals that crawl, and the animals that are in the water

Miigwech waabnong, zhaawanong, epingishmak, miinwaa giuwedonong
Thank you for the four directions east, south, west and north

Miigwech Gzhemnidoo
Thank you, kind spirit

Our smallest warriors, our strongest medicine

Overcoming COVID-19!



LTBB Citizens
Virtual Community Meeting 2020
video available online:
LTBB Website
<https://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/>
*Citizen's Portal Tab
*Misc. Recordings

Miigwechiwenim!
Be thankful to h/her!

Mikawad a'aw nigig, gigaganoonaa.
If you find that otter, you talk to h/her

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

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Use your LTBB Cultural Library card # and

PIN for access. If you or a student needs to sign up, you can find a fillable library registration form in the Education tab on the LTBB website's Forms Directory.

Feel free to contact Celestine Petoskey at Mzinigangamik Cultural Library, 231-242-1487 or cepetoskey@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov, with any questions.

PAID SUMMER OPPORTUNITY FOR JUNIORS, SENIORS AND RECENT GRADUATES

The Nitaazhitoojik Industrial Training (NIT) Program is collaborating with the Industrial Arts Institute (IAI) and Northwest Michigan Works! to offer the **Work-Based Learning (WBL) Program** for high school juniors, seniors and recent graduates. This 192-clock hour pre-apprenticeship/work-based learning program will provide 16-20 students with the opportunity to learn basic welding techniques and employability skills all while **earning an hourly stipend!** Students who complete the training program will have the knowledge needed to earn a Welder's Qualification Testing Record through the American Welding Society. WBL participants will also have the opportunity to participate in an optional one to two-week job shadowing experience with a local employer. All students will receive their own welding hood, jacket and gloves.

The Nitaazhitoojik Industrial Training Program will provide eligible students with tuition coverage, an hourly stipend, mileage reimbursement, testing fee assistance and course equipment. **The deadline to apply for NIT financial assistance is April 26, 2021.** Several other forms

of financial assistance may be available to students enrolling in the Work-Based Learning program. For a full list of resources, please contact the NIT program.

Work-Based Learning Program

Program Dates: June 21, 2021 – July 29, 2021

Times: Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Location: Industrial Arts Institute
20902 Washington Ave.
Onaway, MI 49765

Pay: \$13/hr.

Incentives: Students will receive a \$25 gift card for enrolling into the Work-Based Learning program as well as a \$100 gift card for completing it!

NIT assistance applications can be found in the "Forms Directory" on the LTBB website or on-hand in the Niigaandiwin Education Department. For more information, please contact Kerstine Bennington, NIT Project Director, at kbennington@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or at 231-242-1485.

OverDrive

You now have access to even more books!

Learn how to sign into a partner library:

1. Go to Menu > Add A Library.
2. Search for the partner library and open it.
3. Go to Menu > See Library Cards.
4. Tap Add A Card, then I'm Visiting From Another Library.
5. Choose your normal library from the list and sign in.

Get more access with your library card!
Borrow titles from any of these collections:

- Suburban Library Cooperative
- Midwest Collaborative for Library Services
- Lakeland Library Cooperative

Libby.

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NITAAZHITOOJIK INDUSTRIAL TRAINING

ELIGIBLE PROGRAMS

- COMPUTER NUMERICAL CONTROL (CNC)
- COMPUTER - AIDED DESIGN (CAD)
- MECHATRONICS • Available Fall 2021
- WELDING

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

The Nitaazhitoojik Industrial Training (NIT) Program provides financial assistance to eligible students pursuing education in the following STEM-related programs. Assistance can include, but is not limited to, tuition, course material, transportation, and training costs.

For more information, please contact the LTBB Niigaandiwin Education Department.
Phone: (231) 242-1485 Email: kbennington@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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ATTENTION WAGANAKISING ODAWAK



The Cultural Services Program has coordinated with local Cultural Keepers, LTBB Departments, and local businesses in order to create cultural packages for LTBB Citizens. These packages have been created as a way to stay safe during COVID-19, but continue events that would have otherwise been in-person. These packages are designed to connect our citizens to our culture while combating pandemic fatigue.

CULTURAL PACKAGE RAFFLE

- May, Beadwork Package
- June, Hand Drum Package
- July, Moccasin Package
- August, Medicine Pouch Package
- September, Grave Crown Package

Please note, per local Culture Keepers, grave crown making starts Oct. 1st

- 40 CULTURAL PACKAGES ARE AVAILABLE IN EACH CATEGORY FOR LTBB CITIZENS WITHIN THE U.S.
- VIDEO INSTRUCTIONS WILL ACCOMPANY THESE CULTURAL PACKAGES
- SELECT DAYS & TIMES AVAILABLE FOR EXTRA HELP VIA ZOOM

REGISTRATION FOR EACH ACTIVITY WILL OPEN AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH MONTH & INDIVIDUAL FLYERS WILL FOLLOW WITH REGISTRATION INFORMATION

For additional questions, please e-mail:
culturalprogramming@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

VIRTUAL COMMUNITY CRAFT CIRCLE

A laid back virtual meetup for a chance to interact & reconnect with community while working on craft projects of your choosing

- Wednesday, April 14th, 7-8:30 PM
- Wednesday, May 12th, 7-8:30 PM
- Wednesday, June 9th, 7-8:30 PM

Please use the following Zoom Meeting address:

<https://ltbbodawa.zoom.us/j/3937392960>

Questions? E-mail
culturalprogramming@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

APRIL 2021 FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Open Distribution: 5th - 9th from 9am - 3pm
 Call 231-881-2855 or 231-347-2573 for food pick-up appointments outside of our Open Distribution Week
 828 Charlevoix Ave. Petoskey, MI 49770 Behind Fletch's Auto

Deliveries:
 Local: 1st & 2nd
 Peshawbestown: 14th
 Traverse City: 20th

For more information, contact Food Distribution Program Specialist Joe VanAlstine at 231-347-2573



SEEKING: FOSTER HOMES

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Department of Human Services is searching for foster homes!

If you, or someone you know, have the time and desire to become a foster parent for our youth, please contact the LTBB Department of Human Services at 231-242-1620

The 7 Grandfather Teachings guide us in our

actions

to end sexual violence

- mnaadendmowin (respect)
- nbwaakaawin (wisdom)
- zaagidwin (love)
- gwekwaadziwin (honesty)
- dbaadendizwin (humility)
- aakde'ewin (bravery)
- debwewin (truth)



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa
 Survivor Outreach Services
 Call Monday through Friday 8-5: (231) 242-1620

24-Hour Crisis and Information Line:
 (231)347-0082 or (800)275-1995
 Operated by Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan

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Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) Healthy Foods

of survey respondents said they were **satisfied** with the variety of food and its freshness, quality, nutritional value, taste, and visual appeal.

OVER 90%

Food Package

Each month, participating households receive a food package to help them maintain a nutritionally balanced diet.

Participants select from more than 100 products, including:

- Frozen beef, chicken, and pork options
- Canned meat, poultry, and fish
- Fresh, dried, and canned fruit and juice
- Fresh and canned vegetables
- Soups
- A variety of pasta, rice, flour, cereals, and other grain products including whole grain options
- Canned and dry beans
- Peanuts and peanut butter
- Cheese
- Low-fat milk, nonfat dry milk, and skim evaporated milk
- Eggs

FDPIR food packages achieved a Healthy Eating Index score of 73 out of 100 compared to 59 for the average American diet.*

Traditional foods recently offered include:

- Bison
- Wild salmon
- Blue cornmeal
- Wild rice

Food and Nutrition Service | January 2018 | FNS-701

*Nutrient and Food Group Analysis of USDA Foods in Five of Its Food and Nutrition Programs - 2014
<https://www.fns.usda.gov/nutrient-and-food-group-analysis-usda-foods-five-its-food-and-nutrition-programs-2014>

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DO YOU QUALIFY FOR THE LTBB U.S.D.A. FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM?

Please call our office to see if we are able to help you!
 Call Monday - Friday
 8 am to 5 pm at 231-242-1620.
 *food distribution varies depending on availability

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NEED HELP PAYING FOR CHILD CARE? WE CAN HELP!

APPLICANT DOCUMENTS

- ★ TRIBAL ID
- ★ SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS FOR ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS
- ★ 30 DAYS PROOF OF INCOME FOR ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS
- ★ SUPERVISOR SIGNED WORK/SCHOOL SCHEDULE PROVIDER AGREEMENT

LICENSED PROVIDERS

- ★ COPY OF STATE UNEXPIRED LICENSE

UNLICENSED PROVIDERS

- ★ STATE ISSUED ID
- ★ ABILITY TO PASS ANNUAL BACKGROUND CHECKS

LITTLE TRVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
 91 SPRING STREET, PETOSKEY, MICHIGAN

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

For the Mtigwaakiis housing development. Tribal Preference applies. For more information, contact the Housing Department at 231-242-1540

Equal Housing Opportunity TDD: 800-649-3777

Al-Anon Meetings

LTBB Health Park, every Wednesday 7-8 pm

Use the right back door for entrance and parking.

Al-Anon Family Groups
 Strength and hope for friends and families of problem drinkers

There is no magic formula that enables you to help someone stop – or cut back - on his or her drinking. Alcoholism is a complex problem with many related issues. But, Al-Anon can help you learn how to cope with the challenges of someone else's drinking. Come ask questions, share or just listen.

231-675-7044 www.miafg.org

NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

COLORING CONTEST

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month and the LTBB Department of Human Services is asking youth to join us in raising awareness of the importance of child abuse and neglect prevention. Youth are invited to participate in the coloring contest for a chance to be selected to win a prize! Two winners will be selected in each age category.

Please note the rules for the coloring contest:

- Crayons * Markers * Paint * Stickers
Colored Pencils * Glitter * You choose!
- Age categories are 3-7 and 8-12.
 - Limit one submission per child.
 - All entries must be the original size.
 - Contest is open to not just tribal members and their descendants, but also

those children who are part of the local tribal community.

- Entries can be submitted by mail to the LTBB Department of Human Services, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740
- All mailed entries must be post-marked by April 29, 2021. No exceptions!



Honoring Our Past.
Creating Hope for the Future.

WE CAN HELP

Victim service providers help victims rebuild their lives. We can help you learn about your legal rights and options, cope with the impact of crime, access victim compensation, develop a safety plan, and navigate the criminal justice and social service systems.

DIRECT SERVICES FOR VICTIMS

- Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline
800-4-A-CHILD
- Cyber Civil Rights Initiative
844-878-2274
- Love Is Respect
866-331-9474, TTY 866-331-8453
- Mothers Against Drunk Driving
877-MADD-HELP
- National Domestic Violence Hotline
800-799-SAFE, TTY 800-787-3224
- National Human Trafficking Hotline
888-373-7888, TTY 711
- National Runaway Safeline
800-RUNAWAY
- Parents of Murdered Children, Inc.
888-818-POMC
- Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network
800-656-HOPE
- Pathways to Safety International
833-SAFE-833
- StrongHearts Native Helpline
844-7NATIVE
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
800-273-8255, TTY 800-799-4889
- The Trevor Project
866-488-7386
- Veterans Crisis Line
800-273-8255 x1, TTY 800-799-4889

INFO & REFERRALS FOR VICTIMS

- Battered Women's Justice Project
Legal Helpline
800-903-0111 x1, TTY 711
- Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Country
Child Abuse Hotline
800-633-5155
- Federal Trade Commission Identity
Theft Hotline
877-FTC-HELP, TTY 866-653-4261
- National Center for Missing &
Exploited Children
800-THE-LOST*
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health
Services Administration Helpline
800-662-HELP, TTY 800-487-4889
- VictimConnect Resource Center
855-4-VICTIM

Name: _____

Age: _____ Phone: _____

Don't miss out on the sounds of life.



Hearing aid assistance is now processed through the Health Department. Call to see if you qualify!
231-242-1600

SMILE WITH CONFIDENCE

Elders Dental Assistance Program is now processed through the Health Department! Call to see if you qualify!
231-242-1600



HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CHANGE

Due to HUD guidelines, the Housing Department is required to do an environmental review regardless of the work being done. The process of these reviews can take up to three to six months; we cannot proceed until this process has been completed. Please be aware there is a possibility the review could come back with a negative impact, in which case, could be cause for denial.

Area Pantry Schedule

EMMET COUNTY

Nazarene Church - Wed 4-5:45pm
7489 Mission Road, Alanson
231-548-5462

Liberty Baptist Church - call for pantry services 7247 South US 31, Alanson
231-548-5836

Church of Christ - 1st & 3rd Sun
12:30-1:30pm 308 Monroe St., Petoskey
231-437-0210

Bay Shore Pantry - 2nd & 4th Tue
12-3pm 06072 US 31 North, Bay Shore
231-347-3618

The Manna Pantry - Tue 9am-12pm & 2nd & 4th Thur 3-6pm; call for emergencies - 8791 McBride Park Court, Harbor Springs 231-347-8852

Harbor Springs Community - Mon 9:30am-12pm - 150 West Main (enter through double doors on 3rd Street), Harbor Springs 231-526-2414

Pellston Area Food Pantry - Wed 5-6:45pm - 161 Highway 31, Pellston 231-638-3568

First Christian Church - Wed 9am-12pm 308 Monroe, Petoskey 231-347-6181

Salvation Army - Mon - Fri 9am-12pm 712 Pleasant Street, Petoskey 231-347-3531

St. Francis/Brother Dan's - Tue 9am-12pm; call for emergencies - 415 State Street, Petoskey 231-347-7423

Cross of Christ Church - 2nd Thu 5-7pm; 4th Thu 9-11am - Paper pantry only 1450 East Mitchell Street, Petoskey 231-347-5440

Seventh Day Adventist Clothing Pantry Mon-Tues 10am - 2pm 1404 Howard St., Petoskey 231-347-2560

Northern Michigan Diaper Pantry - 1st & 3rd Fri 9:30am-11:30am - 8781 McBride Park Court, Harbor Springs (bldg. next to Manna)

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Boyne City Community - 1st Mon 10am-12pm & 3rd Mon 5-7pm - 401 State Street, Boyne City 231-582-2551

Boyne Valley Pantry - Thu 2-5pm 3031 Main Street, Boyne Falls 231-549-2230

Seventh Day Adventist - Mon 6-8pm, Wed 10am-12pm - 326 Park Street, Boyne City 231-582-0151

Bible Baptist Church - 1st & 3rd Thu 6-7pm; call for emergencies - 05855 M-66 North, Charlevoix 231-547-4300

Charlevoix Community - Mon and Thu 10am-12pm; last Sat 10-11am - 101 State Street, Charlevoix 231-547-9122

Care & Share - Tue 2-4:30pm; Thu 9:30am-12pm - 710 M-32, East Jordan 231-536-7423

Walloon Lake Community - 2nd & 4th Tue 5-6:15pm - 4320 M-75, Walloon Lake 231-535-2288

ANTRIM COUNTY

Bellaire Community Pantry - Mon 1-5pm & Thu 10am-5pm - 205 Broad Street, Bellaire 231-533-8973

Good Samaritan - Tue 10am-7pm, Wed, Thu, Fri 10am-4pm, Sat 10am-2pm 9746 Main Street, Ellsworth 231-588-2208

Antrim County Baby Pantry - 2nd & 4th Thu 12:30-4pm - 209 Jefferson Street, Mancelona 231-584-8401

Community Lighthouse - Tue & Thu 9am-5pm - 430 West State Street, Mancelona 231-587-9967

Mancelona Pantry and Resale - Tue, Wed, Thu 9am-4pm - 200 Maple, Mancelona 231-587-9606

Area Soup Kitchen Schedule

EMMET COUNTY

First Presbyterian Church - Thu & Sun 12-1pm - 501 East Mitchell Street, Petoskey 231-347-4793

St. Francis/Brother Dan's - Tue 12-1pm 415 State Street, Petoskey 231-347-7423

Nazarene Church - Wed 4-5:45pm 7489 Mission Road, Alanson 231-548-5462

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Lighthouse Community Lunch Program Mon & Thu 11:30am-1:30pm 104 State Street, Charlevoix

Charlevoix United Methodist Church 231-547-8040

ANTRIM COUNTY

Good Samaritan - Thu at 12pm 9746 Main Street, Ellsworth 231-588-2208

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS COMMUNITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION GUIDELINES

Transportation is available to medical appointments only.

You must exhaust all other means available to you, i.e. Friendship Center Bus, Straits Regional Transit, Char/Em Transit, Taxi or Family.

Clients of the Little Traverse Bay Bands Health Department must notify the Community Health Department 72 hours prior to their appointments.

Transportation is based on availability.

Call 231-242-1601 to set up a ride as soon as possible.

Miigwech!

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Community Health Staff

Maahtaag Mnobmaadzid (Maj-tog Minowb-maude-zid) Means "A Start of a Healthy Life"

We are working towards providing services and information that will keep our infants, women and families in the best of health. There are no income guidelines to determine eligibility. We hope our services will reach all families who will be bringing an Anishinaabe baby into this world. Our program is designed to provide services needed to both parent and newborn up to the age of five years.

Maahtaag Mnobmaadzid is designed to complement, but not replace obstetrical and pediatric medical care.

In addition to providing support and education during pregnancy, there is also a focus on helping women become and stay healthy before and after pregnancy. We affirm the sacred role of women in the community as givers of life and promote understanding of the importance of family well-being and the health of women throughout the lifespan.

For more information on Maahtaag Mnobmaadzid, please call Carol J. Sodman-Morris, Maternal Nurse Educator for Family Spirit, at 231-242-1614.



No Insurance? See if you qualify for the Healthy Michigan Plan!



The Healthy Michigan Plan provides health care benefits to Michigan residents at a low cost so that more people can have health care coverage. Individuals are eligible for the Healthy Michigan Plan if they:

- Are age 19-64 years
- Have income at or below 133% of the federal poverty level* (\$16,000 for a single person or \$33,000 for a family of four)
- Do not qualify for or are not enrolled in Medicare
- Do not qualify for or are not enrolled in other Medicaid programs
- Are not pregnant at the time of application
- Are residents of the State of Michigan

*Eligibility for the Healthy Michigan Plan is determined through the Modified Adjusted Gross Income methodology.

If you do not have insurance and would like to fill out an application, contact Valorie Glazier, Patient Benefits Specialist, at 231-242-1748 or by e-mail at vglazier@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov to set up an appointment today!

Weekend Urgent Care Alternative!



McLaren Northern Michigan MedCenter

116 W. Mitchell Street Petoskey, MI 49770 231-348-2828



416 Connable Avenue Petoskey, MI 49770 1-800-248-6777



14700 Lake Shore Drive, Charlevoix, MI 49720 231-547-4024

McLaren Northern Michigan MedCenter, formerly known as Northern Michigan MedCenter and Quick Care, can be utilized when immediate attention is needed for an urgent, but not life-threatening condition, and the LTBB Health Clinic in Petoskey, MI, is closed.

When using McLaren Northern Michigan MedCenter, formerly known as Northern Michigan MedCenter and Quick Care, you are required to call LTBB Contract Health at 231-242-1600. Notice must be received within 72 hours of the visit. LTBB Elders have 30 days to notify Contract Health.

After hours and weekend emergency treatment can be obtained at McLaren Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey, MI, or Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital in Charlevoix, MI.

PRC Covers Chiropractic Care!

How do I get covered?

1. Make an appointment at the LTBB Health Clinic and discuss with your physician if chiropractic care would be helpful for you.
2. If so, your physician will refer you for chiropractic care and your referral will be reviewed by our managed care team.



All approved referrals will be eligible for **three visits and ONE medical massage per month!** Patients are required to follow up with their physician annually to continue chiropractic care.

Call the LTBB Health Clinic today to get started! 231-242-1700

ELDERS DEPARTMENT

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

ELDERS DEPARTMENT

231-242-1423

7500 ODAWA CIRCLE

HARBOR SPRINGS, MI 49740

NO RECEIPTS OR
UTILITY BILLS
NEEDED!

FOOD & UTILITY APPROPRIATION ALLOWANCE APPLICATION

Please print the following information:

CURRENT YEAR _____ TRIBAL ENROLLMENT NUMBER _____

Name _____

First

Middle

Last

Address _____

Street

City

State

Zip Code

Date of Birth _____ Telephone Number _____

Signature _____

Date _____

By signing above I certify this appropriation will be used towards food, cleansers, or utility expenditures.

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE! OFFICE USE ONLY.

	Amount
Food & Utilities Allowance 2107-2-6370-10	
Total Amount of Check	

ACCOUNTING USE ONLY

VENDOR #: _____

A.P. REVIEW: _____

CONTROLLER: _____

Requestor: _____ Date: _____

Approval: _____ Date: _____

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MAIL:
<input type="checkbox"/>	RETURN TO DEPARTMENT:
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHER:

WELL AND SEPTIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



We can provide you with a new well and/or septic system for your new construction OR if your current well and/or septic system is deficient, we can help. Please call the LTBB Housing Department at 231-242-1540 to find out more about how you can get a free well and septic system or replace your current system.

Please be aware it takes approximately 3 to 4 months to gain federal approval of your application.



Are You:

- Currently not eligible for Medicaid?
- 19-64 years old?
- Not eligible for Medicare?
- Not pregnant?
- Making under \$15,000 for a family of 1 or making under \$34,000 for a family of 4?

If you have answered "YES" to these questions, you may qualify for Medicaid due to the Michigan Medicaid Expansion: Healthy Michigan!! Please contact Valorie Glazier, Patient Benefits Specialist, at 231-242-1748 for assistance.

LTBB GOVERNMENTAL OFFICE CLOSINGS

Please note that ALL LTBB Governmental offices are closed on these dates, this includes Mskiki Gumik offices



- May 31, 2021 - Memorial Day
- July 5, 2021 - 4th of July
- September 6, 2021 - Adams Holiday
- September 21, 2021 - Sovereignty Day
- September 24, 2021 - Michigan Indian Day
- October 11, 2021 - Indigenous Peoples Day
- November 11, 2021 - Veteran's Day
- November 25, 2021 - Thanksgiving
- November 26, 2021 - Day after Thanksgiving
- December 23, 2021 - Christmas Eve
- December 24, 2021 - Christmas
- December 30, 2021 - New Year's Eve

Community Support Group

Provided by: LTBB Behavior Health

Zoom meeting will take place every Tuesday and Thursday @ 12:00pm Starting 4/9/2020

The meetings are intended for anyone that would like to talk to others during this difficult time. Cultural Advisor, Matt Davis and Case Manager, Sara Hacker will provide the community with information on; community resources, cultural teachings, talking circles and more.

Information on how to participate please call 231-242-1640



LTBB Behavioral Health has an open Talk-line for community members.

If you are feeling a need to talk with someone, please reach out to us! Take advantage of this resource before experiencing a crisis.

The Talk-line is open from 8 AM to 5 PM and is staffed by a LTBB Behavioral Health counselor.

Call 231-242-1645 to speak to a counselor.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Attendance at Various Meetings and Events



Emily Proctor
Julie Shananaquet
Marcella Reyes
Tamara Kiogima
Melissa Pamp
Leroy Shomin
Marty VanDeCar
Fred Kiogima
Fred Harrington, Jr.

DATE	February 2021									
2/5/21	Land and Reservation Committee Meeting			X	X				X	X
2/9/21	Tribal Council Work Session	X			X	X	X	X	X	X
2/11/21	Tribal Council Meeting	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
2/16/21	Appropriations and Finance Meeting	X	X	X		X	X		X	
2/23/21	Tribal Council Work Session	X			X	X	X	X	X	X
2/25/21	Tribal Council Meeting	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X

*additional recording of attendance may be reported on future report logs

2022 Budget Formulation Process Planning Calendar

- APRIL 7**
Executive Branch Budget hearings and Election Board
- APRIL 9**
Legislative and Judiciary hearings / remaining Executive Departments Budget hearings
- APRIL 5**
LTBB 2020 Proposed Annual Budget available to Tribal Citizens. Must be posted on the LTBB website on or before April 11.
- APRIL 12**
2020 Annual Budget Public Hearing
- APRIL 13 (AFC MEETING) & APRIL 22 (TC MEETING)**
Tribal Council approve annual budget. Final 2020 Annual Budget posted to Tribal Website
- TBD**
Annual Community Meeting

TOGETHER

With compassion and community we can end violence against women and girls

KNOW RESPECT
Mnaadendmowin
Be respectful

SHOW LOVE
Zaagidwin
Be caring

BE HONEST
Gwekwaadziwin
Be truthful

The 7 Grandfather Teachings

LOVE
RESPECT
COURAGE
HONESTY
WISDOM
HUMILITY
TRUTH

Get involved • Support survivors

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Call Monday through Friday 9-5: (231) 242-1620
Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan
24-Hour Crisis and Information Line: (231) 347-0082 or (800) 275-1995

SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES

The LTBB Survivor Outreach Advocate administers Support Services and is located in the LTBB DHS office. Assistance is available to Native American women and children who are survivors of domestic or sexual violence as well as non-Native intimate partners and their families.

Assistance may include the following:
Non-Emergency Transportation Assistance ~ Assistance with Personal Protection Orders ~ Problem Solving and Safety Planning ~ Emergency Food Vouchers ~ Advocacy and Referrals ~ Court Accompaniment ~ Relocation Assistance ~ Clothing / Toiletries

Please call LTBB Survivor Outreach Services at 231-242-1620, Monday - Friday, from 8 am to 5 pm

Support for domestic abuse or sexual assault is also available at the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan 24-hour crisis and information line at 231-347-0082 or for long distance callers 1-800-275-1995.

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SECTION 184 LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM

Office of Native American Programs
Office of Public & Indian Housing

- Low Monthly Payment
- Flexible Underwriting
- Low Interest Rates
- Monthly Mortgage Insurance - Now at a Lower Rate!

THE SECTION 184 LOAN CAN BE USED FOR:

- Acquisition of existing housing
- Rehabilitation of existing housing
- Construction of new housing, including manufactured housing affixed to a permanent foundation

REFINANCING IS BACK!!! Includes rate and term, streamline, cash out

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE LTBB HOUSING DEPT at 231-242-1540.

HOUSING DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

Services are available to citizens residing within the 27 county service area. An application packet must be completed and returned to the Housing Dept. for processing to determine qualification. To obtain an application, please contact the Housing Dept. at 231-242-1540.

STR - Short Term Rental Assistance: This program offers up to \$1,500 for new tenants who need assistance with the first month's rent and/or security deposit. This can be used ONE TIME ONLY and the rent requested must be affordable and can NOT exceed 35% of the household gross monthly income. Please note the application packet must be received and approved in advance of your moving into the rental in order to qualify for this program.

HIP - Home Improvement Program: This program offers up to \$2,500 for non-cosmetic home repairs and may be utilized once every five years.

DPA - Down Payment Assistance: This program offers up to \$2,500 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and can be used to purchase or refinance a home. In order for you to receive any grant dollars, you must be able to match the grant amount with your own guaranteed funds.

FPA - Foreclosure Prevention Program: This program offers up to \$3,000 to assist in foreclosure prevention.

Well & Septic Assistance Program: Funded by the Indian Health Services located in Sault Ste. Marie, MI this program provides the resources and technical assistance associated with the installation of a new well and sanitation service or replacement of deficient existing well/septic.

Credit Counseling: We provide confidential advice and referrals to assist tribal citizens in regaining their financial stability and credibility.

Tribal Rental Housing Program: The LTBB Housing Department offers 29 rental units in the Northern Michigan area. These units are available to rent to Tribal Citizens and most rents are based on a family's monthly income. Any Tribal Citizen interested in renting a unit from the LTBB Housing Department should contact our offices for an application. Currently, there is a waiting list for available units.

LITTLE TRVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS HOUSING DEPARTMENT
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Tele: 231-242-1540 Fax: 231-242-1550
TTY: 7-1-1

Apartments for Rent

Now accepting applications

- Must belong to Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
- Must be 55 or older or disabled of any age
- Rents are based on income
- Accept very low, low and moderate income applicants
- All units are 2 bedroom and 1 bath
- Bedrooms are approximately 121 sq. feet and 94 sq. feet
- Located in a quiet country setting, but only 4 miles from Harbor Springs, MI
- Barrier free units are available
- LTBB Housing office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm

Wah Wahs Noo Da Ke Tribal Village is approximately 4 miles north of Harbor Springs, MI

Contact person: LTBB Housing Department 231-242-1540

MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

NATIONWIDE

REIMBURSEMENT FOR BOTH B AND D PREMIUM EXPENSES

WHO QUALIFIES?
To qualify for this program, you must:

1. Be an enrolled member of LTBB
2. Be enrolled in Medicare
3. Show proof of Medicare premium expenses

DOCUMENTATION WILL BE REQUIRED

MEDICARE HEALTH INSURANCE

Name/Nombre: JOHN L SMITH

Medicare Number/Numero de Medicare: 1EG4-TE5-MK72

Entitled to/Con derecho a: HOSPITAL (PART A) MEDICAL (PART B)

Coverage starts/Coertura empieza: 03-01-2016 03-01-2016

! IMPORTANT INFORMATION !

YEARLY APPLICATION DEADLINES:
FIRST PAYMENT: FEBRUARY 14TH
SECOND PAYMENT: AUGUST 14TH

APPLICATION PROCESSING BEGINS JANUARY 1ST AND JULY 1ST. CHECKS CAN TAKE SEVERAL WEEKS TO BE SENT OUT DEPENDING ON VOLUME OF APPLICATIONS. PLEASE BE PATIENT AS WE WORK TO SEND PAYMENTS OUT TO ALL OUR ELIGIBLE TRIBAL CITIZENS. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE **NOT** BE ACCEPTED.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT VALORIE GLAZIER, LTBB SPONSORSHIP SPECIALIST, AT 231-242-1748

NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

Watch for our upcoming LTBB NRD Spearfishing Workshop in April at Tannery Creek.



Participation will be limited, and COVID-19 restrictions will be in place.



If you are interested, we will let you know when the fish are running. We will have a few spears available for use, but if you have one, we recommend you use it.

E-mail dhinmon@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or call 231-242-1670 for more information.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department Lead to Non-Lead Transition

Why Switch?



PHOTO OF BALLISTIC GELATIN



- We have limited centerfire rifle ammunition loaded with non-lead bullets available to eligible LTBB Citizens when lead ammo is brought into the Natural Resource Department (NRD) in exchange for non-lead (copper) ammunition.
- LTBB NRD seeks to reduce the amount of lead deposits that remain in harvested animals consumed by people and disposed of parts consumed by wild animals, causing a potential harmful effect.



For more information, contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
231-242-1670
dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

HELP PROTECT OUR NATURAL RESOURCES

1-855-NRD-TIPS

TOLL FREE 1-855-673-8477

Please provide any information related to the tip which may include date, time, subject or vehicle description, nature of the incident, and location (Example: nearest crossroad). It is ok if you wish to remain anonymous. All tips are investigated in a timely manner.

Subsistence Gillnet Workshop



April 24-25, 2021

Little Bay De Noc, Gladstone, MI

LTBB NRD is looking for teams of 2 LTBB Tribal Citizens interested in learning traditional and effective means of catching fish in the Great Lakes.

This training will be in-person with COVID-19 precautions. We recommend members of the same household. Interested teams must sign up by April 9. Participation is limited, and it will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. E-mail dhinmon@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or call 231-242-1670. We will be e-mailing you an information packet.



Teams must be LTBB Citizens and have a subsistence license, will need weather appropriate gear, including waders, a medium cooler and an adventurous spirit.

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Commission is looking for LTBB tribal citizens with an interest in Great Lakes Commercial Gill Net Fishing

The LTBB Commercial Small Boat Apprentice Program is designed to provide eligible LTBB tribal citizens with an opportunity to learn the trade of commercial fishing from an experienced LTBB Great Lakes Commercial Fishing Captain

For more information on eligibility and requirements, please stop in or contact the LTBB Natural Resources Department



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Harbor Springs, MI 49740
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dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov



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If you have any questions, please call Purchasing Technician Mandy Szocinski at 231-242-1439

EAGLE REMAINS RETENTION INFORMATION



The LTBB Natural Resource Department is pleased to announce that after years of work on the issue, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has recently changed its policy to allow federally recognized tribes to keep eagle remains found in Indian country. Tribal citizens who encounter eagle remains or feathers within the LTBB reservation boundaries may be able to retain them for culturally significant use. Any deceased eagle encountered must be reported to LTBB Conservation Enforcement immediately for investigation prior to moving or taking the eagle.

For more information, contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department at: 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740
231-242-1670 E-mail: dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Anishinaabemowin words for online meetings



- Ndayaa maa - I'm here
- Gaawii yaasii - S/he isn't here
- Kina wiya na yaa maampii? - Is everyone here?
- Wii-bi-zhaa - S/he is coming
- Gaawii wii-bi-zhaasii - S/he isn't coming
- Miigwech gii-bi-zhaayeg - Thank you all for coming
- Gdaa-waabndaanaawaa na ewaabnda'ingok? - can you all see what I'm showing (see my screen)?
- Gaawii gnoondaagoosii - We can't hear you
- Kidan miinwaa iw - Say that again.
- Gaawii njida. Giin ntam - Sorry. Your turn.
- Aaniish pii waa-maawnjidiyng miinwaa? - When's the next meeting?



How to Support Stem Nesting Bees?

Spring

Larvae grow into adults and appear from before-last year's stalks

Welcome!



Spring/Summer

Females are fed by the flowers and build nests in last year's stalks

Being buzzy



Summer/Fall

Eggs and pollen are now hidden and stored in last year's stalks

Our job is done



Fall/Winter

The hidden eggs will develop into larvae, which feed on the stored pollen

A new generation is waiting for spring, hiding safely in the stalks



Don't clean up the old growth; there is life in it!

HEALTHY YARDS

GIJIGOWI ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

BOOPOOGAME GIIZIS - APRIL 2021

By Maryann Endanawas, Project Instructor/Fluent Speaker

Shkibimaadiziwin Skakmikweng kawaabdagomi. Kina gego shka'iwan, ndadziimgad, maajigin, maadziwin shkoziimgad. Nooki zhiyaam waamdang manda pii kina gego bi-maadziimgak. Aapji g'miigwechizhiyaami. Kina wayaa gojiing baayaa maage nokiiwok, zhitaasjigewok, naakamgigewok, biinchgewok.

We are shown new life on Mother Earth. Everything is new, rebirth, growth and life awakens. We feel enlightened as we watch everything coming to life. We are all grateful. Everyone is outside working, preparing, fixing the grounds and cleaning.

Aapji nibishkendan gojiing baayaa'aan maanda pii, nemdage gwa mbiish mijiwaang. Kina nbi ngamtaage ziibiisan, tkibiin, jiiigbiik, baawtingnan, minwaa zaagagnan. Noojimaa jichaak bizindamang kchitwaa nibi mijiwang.

I really enjoy being outside at this time, listening to the water. All the waters sing everywhere, the rivers, springs, beaches, falls and lakes. Our spirits heal listening to the sacred waters.

Ndadiziwok gewii wesiinhsak minwaa bine-shiinhsak, aapji waawninagziwok wamindwaa maptowad shkweyiing g'gitziimwan.

The animals and birds are born, they are cute running alongside their parents.

Maajiganoon zaakiichaganan, waa'aaskonesan, mishkikiin, mtigook, miishkoonhsan. - Kina gego gnaajiwana.

Kina bimaadiziwin shkoziimgad. Miigwetchendaami.

Plants grow, flowers, medicines, trees and grass grow. Everything is beautiful. All life awakens. We are grateful.



Ziisbaakodoke Giizis: Maple Sugaring Moon

Midaaswi shi-nswé Dibikigiizis maaba - 13th Moon

Gchimiigwechendaami minwaa ngoding mishkikii'aaboo miingo'ing. Ntam minookmik menkweyiing weweni wiini biinaabaaweyiing. Aapji gchi nookiiwok Ziisbaakdokaaning minwaa niibna dibaajimowinan dibaajigaadenoon maanda pii. Gojiing boodwem minwaa jibakwem, enwek senaa mnopgod aasaakogan. Binji kaade zaagokwan aasmeyiing siniing negaach eminaazgaadek. Gojiing naamdabwok minwaa dibaajmataadwok, aanid nokii'wok. Kawaamidandan minwaa gamooshtoon nokaadiziwin, zaagidwin, minwaa mnaadendimowin. Nbishgendan Minookmik.

We are grateful that we are given medicine water again. This is our first drink of the season to cleanse our bodies. There is much to do at the sugar bush camp, and many stories are being shared at this time. A fire is made, and meals are cooked, the scone is delicious. This is cooked on a cast iron frying pan leaning on a rock towards the fire. People sit outside and visit, and others work. You can see and feel positive energy, love and respect for one another. I really enjoy spring-time.

April Vocabulary

Mnookmi.	Spring; it is spring.
Ningiza goon.	The snow is melting.
Ziisabaakdake Giizis	April/Sugarbush Moon
Anishinaabemdaa.	Let's speak the native language.
Mno giizhigatken.	Have a good day.
Nigiza.	It's melting.
Gimiwan.	It's raining.
Amik Mnising	Beaver Island
Waganakising	Land of the Crooked Tree (makers)
Biidaasige	Petoskey/light shining a certain way
Nimkiikaa.	It is thundering.
Minowaaban	Sunrise; early
Zhigaag	skunk
Maajbiisaa	It is starting to rain.

Anishinaabemowin PANE IMMERSION PROGRAM
Language Weekends-Summer Semester 2021

Wenesh Pii? When?
April 30, May 1, 2
May 21, 22, 23
June 25, 26, 27
July 9, 10, 11
August 20, 21, 22

Aapiish? Where?
Online - Zoom

Register for 8 credits (5 weekends) or 6 credits (4 weekends)
Opportunity for make-up hours include midweek classes and Bay Mills weekends

Aaniish epiichak? What time?
Fridays, 1 - 8 pm
Saturdays, 9 am - 7 pm
Sundays, 9 am - 1 pm

For more information, call Gijigowi Language Department at 231-242-1457 or e-mail langtech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov In partnership with Bay Mills Community College

NISHINAABEMWIN PANE IMMERSION PROGRAM
Language Weekends—Spring Semester

Wegnesh? What?
5 Weekends Per Semester

Aapiish? Where?
LTBB Administration
7500 Odawa Circle,
Harbor Springs, MI

Wenesh pii? When?
January 3, 4, 5
January 24, 25, 26
February 14, 15, 16
March 6, 7, 8
April 17, 18, 19

Aaniish epiichak? What time?
Fridays
1-7pm
Saturdays
9am-7pm
Sundays
9am-noon

Guests Welcome!

Suitable for all learning levels, using an at-ease approach! Stop by for a visit or register as a student! In partnership with Bay Mills Community College

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NISHINAABEMWIN PANE IMMERSION PROGRAM WEEKDAYS

Wegnesh? What?
16 Weeks Per Semester

Aapiish? Where?
LTBB Administration
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI

Wenesh pii? When?
January 13 through May 8, 2020

Aaniish Epiichak? What time?
Mondays & Wednesdays

Instructor Maryann Endanawas

INTERMEDIATE IMMERSION CLASS
Conversational & Highly Interactive
Guests welcome to participate and/or observe.
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In partnership with Bay Mills Community College Spring 2020 Semester

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LTBB EDUCATION'S TEXT MESSAGE ALERTS

Little Traverse Bay Bands Of Odawa Indians 1h ago

- Want to be updated everytime there is an event?
- Stay updated with our text message alerts!
- Receive information on events, news, updates and more...

Text one of the **keywords** listed below to 33222 in order to sign up for updates from that department!

LTBB—General updates from the Education Dept. & the Cultural Library.
WIOA—Updates from WIOA, Employment and Training Services.
WOCTEP—Updates from Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program.
K12—Updates from LTBB K-12 Services.
HIGHERED—Updates from Higher Educational Services.
CULTURAL—Updates from Cultural Services.
*Standard messaging & data rates may apply.

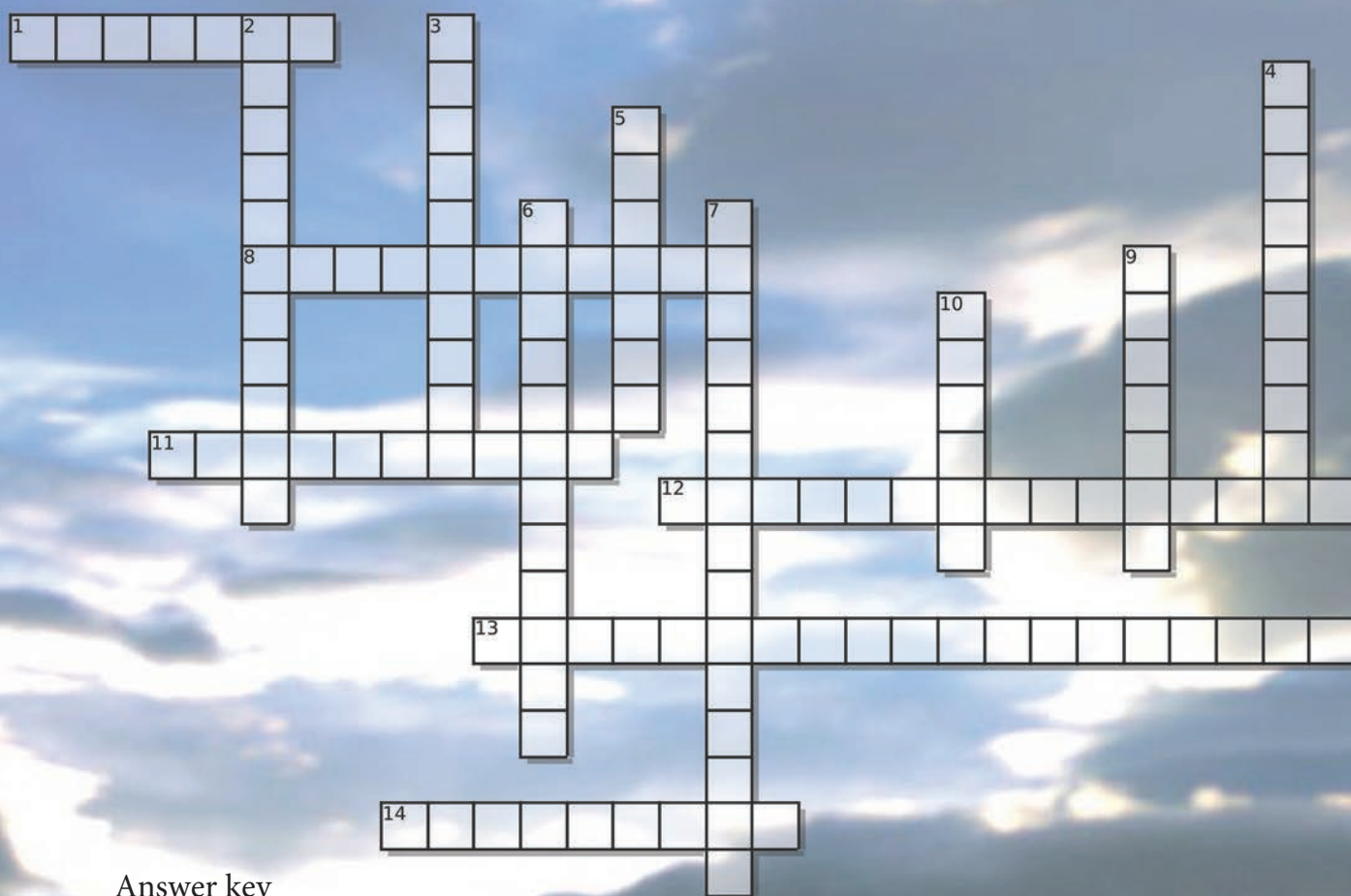
NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE
1-800-273-TALK (8255)
suicidepreventionlifeline.org

With help comes hope

Help is available for you or someone you care about, 24/7

April Showers

April Vocab



Answer key on page 32.

ACROSS

- 1 It's raining.
- 8 The snow is melting.
- 11 Sunrise; early
- 12 Have a good day.
- 13 April/Sugarbush Moon
- 14 It is thundering.

DOWN

- 2 Beaver Island
- 3 It is starting to rain.
- 4 Petoskey/light shining a certain way
- 5 Spring; it is spring.
- 6 Land of the Crooked Tree (makers)
- 7 Let's speak the native language.
- 9 skunk
- 10 It's melting.

Ebiimoshin

(modern phrase to say "e-mail me")

Bibezhik Kidwin E-mail List -

One word at a time - E-mails sent of a single word or phrase with MP3 audio sound attached.

Anishinaabemowin E-mail List -

In addition to the Bibezhik Kidwin e-mails, you'll also receive occasional e-mails regarding Anishinaabemowin Language such as announcements of Language or Cultural Activities, Classes, Events or General Information and News.

Send us an e-mail, and we'll add you to the "Bibezhik Kidwin E-mail List" or the

"Anishinaabemowin E-mail List." Carla Osawamick (McFall) at cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

PLEASE NOTE:

The LTBB Grants Department works with LTBB Departments to obtain external funds for ongoing and special programming, services and resources for the tribal community. Please contact the respective LTBB Department for information on programming that may be of interest to you.

Anishinaabemdaa.com

New mobile friendly website, new design, updated code, new games, new legends and more!

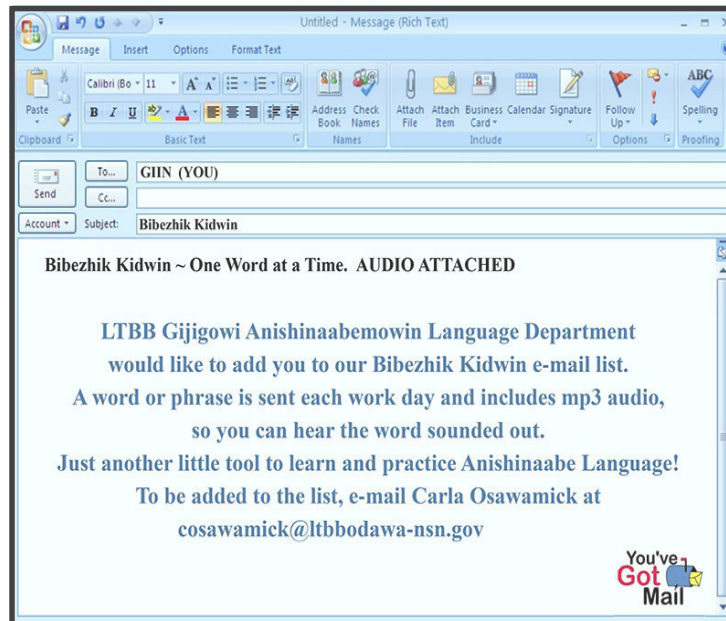


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NATIVE NEWS

MADAM SECRETARY

By Aliyah Chavez

Editor's note: The following article, photograph and graphic appeared on *Indian Country Today*, and they are reprinted here with permission.

A fierce indigenous woman is now the caretaker of the nation's public lands and waters for the first time in U.S. history.

Deb Haaland was confirmed as the nation's 54th Secretary of the Interior in a 51-40 vote Monday (March 15, 2021), making her the first Native American to lead a Cabinet agency.

Republican Senators Susan Collins, Lindsey Graham, Lisa Murkowski and Dan Sullivan broke from party lines to vote to confirm Haaland, a notable choice given other Republican senators publicly saying she was not the right candidate.

It is not known when Haaland will be sworn into office. But when she is, Haaland will become the highest ranked indigenous person in an executive office across the country.

Incoming Interior Secretary Haaland stands eighth in line to the presidency. She is also only the third woman to serve in the position — a low number in stark comparison to the 50 men who have served — and in an accomplishment fitting for March's National Women's History Month.

Haaland is a citizen of Laguna Pueblo, and has ties to Jemez Pueblo through her



grandfather, which she frequently cites. She spent her career in New Mexico as a former small business owner, organizer and tribal administrator before running for Congress.

In November, Haaland was reelected for a second term in Congress, representing New Mexico's first Congressional district in the U.S. House of Representatives.

In 2018, she made history as one of the first two Native women elected to Congress.

Now, Haaland will be at the helm of the Interior, a sprawling government agency in charge of 70,000 employees, one-fifth of the nation's land and key offices in natural resources. The agency also oversees national parks, wildlife refuges and works with endangered species conservation.

A key role of the Interior's duty is to respectfully manage the government's federal trust responsibilities promised to tribal nations. She will also be leading the most important government agencies affecting Indian country such as the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian Education.

All eyes are on Haaland at

the helm who has frequently vowed tribal consultation, inclusivity and collaboration in her work.

President Joe Biden, who ran on a presidential platform with goals to "restore the soul of America" to "build back better" has already confirmed a diverse and record-breaking Cabinet.

Some notable confirmations include Secretary of the Treasury Janet Yellen, the first woman to lead the department; Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin, the first black person to lead the Pentagon; and Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg, the first openly gay Cabinet member.

Haaland's path to the Interior Department has included wide support from indigenous leaders, advocates and allies.

For months, hundreds of tribal leaders have submitted letters of support for her confirmation. Some of the nation's most prominent Native organizations came together in a way they never had before to support Haaland.

Organizations like the National Congress of American Indians, IllumiNatives, NDN Collective and others created online campaigns, social media tool kits and "tweet-storms."

Frequently, celebrities, including Mark Ruffalo, lended their star power and social media platform to support Haaland.

"If an Indigenous woman from humble beginnings can be confirmed as Secretary of the Interior, our country and its promise still holds true for everyone," Haaland said in her opening statement of her hearing before the Senate energy committee last month.

Haaland was born to a Marine veteran father and a Navy veteran mother. She has described herself as a single mother who sometimes had to rely on food stamps and is still paying off student loans after college and law school.

Aliyah Chavez is from Kewa Pueblo and works as a reporter-producer at Indian Country Today. Follow her on Twitter: @aliyahjchavez or e-mail her at achavez@indian-countrytoday.com

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FOR COUGHING OR HACKING
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1/4 tablet for dogs under 20 pounds
1/2 tablet for dogs 20-60 pounds
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HYDROCORTISONE

FOR ITCHING OR IRRITATED SKIN
Small amount applied topically up to twice daily

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INTERIOR SECRETARY DEB HAALAND NOMINATION TIMELINE

DECEMBER 17, 2020
President Joe Biden selects Deb Haaland as his Interior Secretary nominee

DECEMBER 19, 2020
President Biden personally presents Haaland as his Interior nominee

FEBRUARY 23 & 24, 2021
Haaland testifies before the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

MARCH 15, 2021
Haaland is confirmed by the U.S. Senate as the 54th Secretary of the Interior

COVID-19 Vaccination Survey



As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact our communities, the data is telling us young adults, ages 20-29, are among those with the highest case rates, engaging in the least amount of mitigation behaviors such as mask wear-

ing, hand washing and social distancing and are showing hesitance toward COVID-19 vaccines.

The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan (ITCM) would like to understand the perspectives of this age group among American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) young adults to tailor our COVID-19 response to community needs. We ask you please distribute this survey to your young adult community members.

We are offering those who complete the survey to enter into a drawing to win a \$50

Amazon gift card.

All personal information will remain anonymous and no personal or identifying information from this survey will be shared.

To share or to participate in this survey, please use the following link <https://forms.gle/JLJvnU2c5GNf3BSH9>.

Follow the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan on social media for ready-to-share posts with this survey. ITCM's Facebook and Instagram handles are @intertribalcouncilmichigan.

Courtesy graphic.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT WELCOMES NEWEST MEMBERS OF LEADERSHIP TEAM, AMONG THEM BMIC'S NEWLAND



tary, Indian Affairs

Their biographies are listed below:

Shakiyya Bland, Ed.D. - Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellow, Office of the Secretary Shakiyya Bland is an educator, mathematics curriculum designer and equity leader with more than 10 years of experience. Shakiyya produces culturally responsive instructional strategies to support scholars' racial and cultural identities as contributors to STEM education. Shakiyya is an educational consultant, Institute for Teachers of Color femtor, BetterLesson, Inc. Master Teacher, KSDE Culturally Relevant Pedagogy Consultant and Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellow. She has served as a Congressional Policy Fellow for the past seven months in Representative Deb Haaland's office managing priority issues, conducting research, developing legislation and strategies for legislative priorities and managing and responding to constituent correspondence.

Daniel Cordalis - Deputy Solicitor, Water Daniel Cordalis has more than a decade of experience working on natural resource and complex water and land management issues on behalf of tribal governments and conservation groups. Daniel most recently worked in private practice. He previously was an attorney with Earthjustice, the Yurok Tribe and clerked for the Colorado Supreme Court and the Native American Rights Fund. After graduating from Rice University, Daniel received a M.A. focused on hydrology and a J.D. from the University of Colorado, Boulder. Raised in southwest Colorado, Daniel is a Navajo tribal member and lives with his family outside Arcata, CA.

Nada Culver - Deputy Director, Policy and Programs, Bureau of Land Management

Director, Policy and Programs, Bureau of Land Management Nada Wolff Culver most recently served as the Vice President, Public Lands and Senior Policy Counsel at the National Audubon Society. Prior to joining Audubon, Nada was the Senior Counsel and Senior Director for Policy and Planning at The Wilderness Society. Nada began her career in the private sector, working on a variety of environmental issues, including energy development and environmental remediation and was a partner with the law firm of Patton Boggs. She is a graduate of Northwestern University and the University of Pennsylvania School of Law.

Bryan Newland - Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs



Bryan Newland is a citizen of the Bay Mills Indian Community (Ojibwe) where he recently completed his tenure as Tribal President. Prior to that, Bryan served as Chief Judge of the Bay Mills Tribal Court. From 2009 to 2012, he served as a Counselor and Policy Advisor to the Assistant Secretary of the Interior - Indian Affairs. He is a graduate of Michigan State University and the Michigan State University College of Law. Bryan enjoys hiking and kayaking the shores of Lake Superior and is a nature photography enthusiast.

Courtesy photo and courtesy graphic.

COVID-19 Resources for Indian Country - A NEW RESOURCE FOR INDIAN COUNTRY

The National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) announces a new website that features the latest information on legislative and administrative updates and trusted resources on COVID-19 for tribal nations.



Visit <http://www.ncai.org/COVID-19>

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- Prescriptions written by providers where you have been referred to by the LTBB Clinic

PLEASE BE AWARE OF HOLIDAY HOURS AND MEDICATION REFILLS.

LTBB COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The following LTBB Tribal Citizens recently took their oaths of office: Andrea Pierce for the LTBB Election Board on February 18, 2021 with Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado presiding via Zoom; Heather Syrette for the

Zoom; and Angie Woodin, Doug Boda and Alicia Alvarado for the LTBB Hemp Regu-



latory Commission on March 1, 2021 with Associate Judge John Lemire presiding via Zoom.

Pierce is serving on the LTBB Election Board for the

reminder of a term ending September 21, 2021. Syrette is serving on the LTBB Child Welfare Commission for a three-year term ending February 11, 2024. Woodin, Boda and Alvarado are all serving on the LTBB Hemp Regulatory Commission for three-year terms ending February 11, 2024.

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SAVE THE DATES

CA4K!

CAREER ACADEMY FOR KIDS
CHARLEVOIX-EMMET INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

June 22-24, 2021 | 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

What is Career Academy for Kids?

Career Academy for Kids is a three-day summer program of enrichment classes operated by the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District. Classes are designed to help students currently enrolled in grades 2-8 experience a particular field of interest in-depth and hands-on. Diverse sessions offer kids a variety of opportunities!

Where does CA4K take place?

Career Academy for Kids will take place at Harbor Springs Middle School/Shay Elementary and at a second location TBD. The online course listings will clearly state locations. The *High Flyers* course takes place at Pellston Regional Airport.

When can students register for CA4K?

Course descriptions will be posted by March online, at www.charemisid.org/ca4k! Online registration begins in mid-April; more details to follow. Links to registration will be posted on Char-Em's home page, social media and in flyers sent home to students.

What is the cost?

Cost is \$80, which includes breakfast and lunch each day and a camp T-shirt!

Is transportation available?

Char-Em will provide transportation to and from camp, at no extra charge, from specific locations.

What about COVID-19? Will camp be held in Summer 2021 for sure?

Char-Em ISD staff are optimistic that CA4K will be able to proceed as planned in June 2021. If it becomes necessary to postpone or cancel this camp due to the uncertainty of COVID-19, the decision will be announced prior to registration opening in mid-April.

Need more information?

Please contact Tory Thrush, Char-Em ISD Career/College Readiness Consultant, at (231) 582-8070 or email CA4K@charemisid.org.

Previous classes have included ...

Photography • Cooking • Videography
Songwriting & singing • Nature Exploration
Construction • Public Safety • & more!

EASY ONLINE REGISTRATION opens mid-April, 2021! Courses fill quickly, be sure to register early.
www.charemisid.org/ca4k

It is the policy of Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District to comply with all federal laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination. Char-Em ISD does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex (including sexual orientation or transgender identity), marital status, religion, disability, language, diversity or lack of English language skills. For more information contact the Civil Rights Coordinator at 231.547.3947.

Char-Em
CHARLEVOIX-EMMET ISD

Char-Em ISD Construction Technology Camp Set for Summer 2021



Students interested in learning construction skills will have a new opportunity this summer with the opening of the Char-Em ISD Construction Technology Academy (CTA). The camp takes place for three weeks in June and early July 2021.

The three-week academy will teach students in grades 8-10 (current year, 2020-21) the know-how and hands-on skills it takes to be successful in the building trades. It will mirror some aspects of what students learn in the classroom in Construction Technology Career and Technical Education programs offered by several Char-Em ISD schools.

The CTA will be based at Petoskey High School in Petoskey, MI, but is open to any students in grades 8-10 throughout Char-Em ISD schools.

“We have been working to get a camp like this going for

a couple years, and we are so thrilled that it came together for this summer,” said Tory Thrush, Career/College Readiness Consultant with Char-Em ISD’s CTE team. “Students will gain valuable skills that will help them going forward, be it with summer jobs during their teen years or future careers in the building industry. We really thrive on creating new opportunities for our students to be career and college ready.”

The camp will take place from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily June 21-24, June 28-July 1 and July 5-8, 2021, consecutively. Students are expected to attend all three weeks of the camp. The cost of the camp is \$300, and \$200 of that will be refunded to students upon completion of the program. Criteria for the refund will be provided to students who register.

There will be 15 student slots available. Participants will meet and work from the Petoskey High School Building Trades classroom.

Those attending will be building 10x16-foot, pre-ordered sheds. Through this process, they will learn safety

skills and proper operation of hand and power tools. Tools used will include hammer, speed square, measuring tape, skill saw, miter saw, pneumatic/cordless framing nailers, sawzall and trim nailers.

Students will learn floor and wall layout, the difference between rafters and trusses and how to frame in a roof with rafters. Other important knowledge about the building trades, including meeting code for residential construction will be provided.

Registration for the camp will open online on April 19, 2021. The link to register will be on the home page of Char-Em ISD, www.charemid.org, and on the Char-Em ISD Facebook page. For more information, contact Thrush at 231-340-3432 or by e-mail at thrusht@charemid.org.

The Construction Trades Academy joins Char-Em ISD’s two other summer camps, Career Academy for Kids (CA4K) and the Welding Academy. Information about all camps can be found at www.charemid.org

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2021 NAFWS PAID STUDENT INTERNSHIP

The Native American Fish & Wildlife Society (NAFWS) will be hiring Native American or Alaskan Native college students, who are majoring in natural resources or a related field. The Internships will allow for work experience in two separate NAFWS programs – Education and Conservation Law Enforcement.

DURATION: Start date May/June 2021 (Negotiable)

LOCATION: Remote work with some travel (If approved)

APPLICATION COMPONENTS: General Application, Essay, Resume or CV, 2 Letters of Recommendation

DUE DATE: April 9, 2021 at 11:59pm MST (Mail postmarked)

FOR MORE INFO & APPLICATION:

- Visit www.nafws.org
- Contact Ashley Carlisle, Education Coordinator (EMAIL: acarlisle@nafws.org | PHONE: 303-466-1725 EXT 4)

HUD Awards Nearly \$15 Million for Affordable Housing Activities for Michigan’s Native American Communities

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced more than \$652 million in Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) formula funding for eligible Native American Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing

Entities (TDHEs) to carry out affordable housing activities in tribal communities. This includes nearly \$15 million for 12 tribes in Michigan.

“The Indian Housing Block Grant program supports the commitment of Tribes

across the country to their communities through funding affordable housing and housing activities,” said HUD Acting Secretary Matthew E. Ammon. “The U.S. government has a responsibility to carry out trust obligations to Indian tribes, and with this funding, HUD is acting to meet these obligations.”

The IHBG Program is a formula grant that provides a range of affordable housing activities on reservations and related areas. Eligible activities include housing development, operation and modernization of existing housing, housing services to eligible families and individuals, crime prevention and safety and model activities that provide creative approaches to solving affordable housing problems.

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State	Recipient	City	Amount
Michigan	Keweenaw Bay Indian Community	Baraga	\$1,965,066
	Bay Mills Indian Community	Brimley	\$761,344
	Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians	Dorr	\$191,531
	Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians	Dowagiac	\$2,132,489
	Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi	Fulton	\$429,467
	Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians	Harbor Springs	\$598,260
	Little River Band of Ottawa Indians	Manistee	\$291,767
	Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe	Mt. Pleasant	\$1,595,143
	Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians	Peshawbestown	\$1,251,117
	Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians	Sault Ste. Marie	\$5,077,021
	Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians	Watersmeet	\$257,660
	Hannahville Indian Community	Wilson	\$201,394
MICHIGAN TOTAL			\$14,752,259
NATIONAL TOTAL			\$652,283,056

EAT WELL BE WELL

SPECIALTY SERVICES:
 +Weight Management
 +Children's Health
 +Specialty Diets
 +Improve performance for all body types

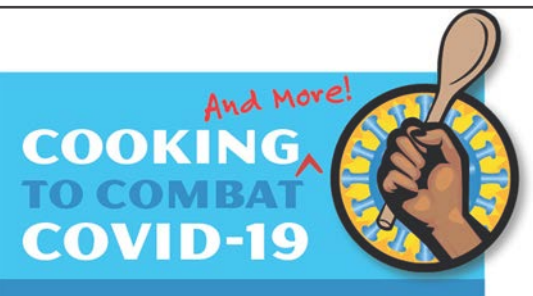
The LTBB Community Health / Mnozhyaadaa Department is EXCITED to announce that our Dietitian is able to meet with patients via Zoom!

Recently, Charla Gordon, MA, RD, CDCES, CHES, completed her Certification for Well Coaches! So, if you need assistance in preparing your pantry, making healthier food choices, or to have someone work with you on making changes to improve your health, then contact Charla!

CGordon@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Email Charla today to schedule an appointment!

FREE NATIVE FOR FOOD ONLINE COURSE



The American Indian Institute (AII) at the University of Oklahoma is partnering with Diné Food Sovereignty Alliance (DFS), Native Americans for Community Action (NACA)/ Lasting Indigenous Family Empowerment (L.I.F.E.), the Navajo Nation Office of the President and Vice President (OPVP), Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine (PCRM) and Sun Life Financial for Partnership Certificate Programs in 2021.

You can enroll in a free, six-week online course titled, “Native Food for Life,” and receive a certificate.

Good self-care has never been more important, and it starts with the food we feed ourselves and our families. This four-hour, pre-recorded webinar explores the role of food to build strong

bodies, promote immunity and to get underlying conditions such as type 2 diabetes and high blood pressure under control.

Community leaders, nutrition experts, health educators and expert cooks come together to inspire and educate. You will learn the basics of indigenous plant-based nutrition, meet people who have made the shift and feel great, and see how to make a couple of new dishes and find out where to see more. There is no charge for this webinar.

Here’s how it works:

- After registration, you will receive a link to a URL where you will find three videos to watch and a program.
- A book you can download.
- Between now and May 1, 2021, watch each of the three videos.
- After the videos, visit the URL to provide and complete an evaluation.
- You will receive a Certificate of Participation from AII.

For more information or to register, visit <https://outreach.ou.edu/community-services/health-human-services/american-indian-institute/partner-series/>

Courtesy graphic.

If you or a loved one is a victim of Domestic Violence, help is available.

National Resource Center on Domestic Violence
1-800-799-7233

Stronghearts Native Helpline
844-762-8483

National Domestic Violence Hotline
1-800-799-7233

LTBB Survivor Outreach
231-242-1628

LTBB Behavioral Health
231-242-1640

Women's Resource Center
231-347-0082 or
1-800-275-1995



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MICHIGAN RECEIVES GRANT TO ENHANCE LEGAL SERVICES FOR VICTIMS LIVING IN RURAL AND TRIBAL COMMUNITIES



Michigan will develop a roadmap to ensure victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking have enhanced access to civil legal assistance in Michigan's rural and tribal communities thanks to a federal grant awarded to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Division of Victim Services.

Limited financial resources, geographic isolation and diverse cultural barriers currently inhibit many tribal and rural victims from accessing essential legal services and representation.

"Providing affordable, equitable, and accessible civil legal representation to all victims of crime is essential, and this project seeks to enhance these efforts for those living in rural and tribal communities," said Debi Cain, executive director of the MDHHS Division of Victim Services. "This multi-coalition partnership shows how important these efforts are to countless victims and their families, and we are grateful for this opportunity to work together on their behalf."

For several years, the Division of Victim Services has provided funding for numerous legal initiatives which have

identified significant gaps in services for tribal and rural victims. This project seeks to evaluate existing efforts to support these communities while creating a comprehensive roadmap for future work to enhance the availability of meaningful legal assistance. The division has partnered with Michigan's tribal coalition, Uniting Three Fires Against Violence, and the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence on this project.

"As someone who has worked for over 20 years representing rural victims of violence, I can personally attest to the deep lack of available resources for victims of crime," said Sarah Prout Rennie, J.D., executive director of the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence. "I am proud to be part of this effort and am grateful to Debi Cain and the Division of Victim Services for being such trailblazers in the ongoing work to ensure victims of crime have the support they need."

JoAnne Cook, J.D., will serve as the statewide victim liaison responsible for con-

vening stakeholders in tribal communities and in specific rural communities to identify the needs, challenges and solutions to providing legal assistance to survivors of domestic and sexual violence, stalking and related crimes. Cook, a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, has extensive experience on criminal justice and tribal issues, including service as a tribal court judge and tribal council member.

"There is a great need for civil legal service that considers the complexities of access to safety and justice within tribal communities," said Rachel Carr, executive director of Uniting Three Fires Against Violence. "We're excited to be a part of this collaborative project and are hopeful that in the future, those seeking civil legal service will not experience the barriers that our tribal and rural communities have faced for so long."

To learn more about programs and services offered by the Michigan Division of Victim Services, visit www.Michigan.gov/CrimeVictim

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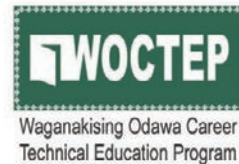
Starting winter semester, WOCTEP will offer assistance with the following programs through our partnership with North Central Michigan College:



- Computer Numerically Controlled (CNC) Certificate of Development
- Medical Billing and Coding Certificate of Development
- Medical Assistant Certificate
- Phlebotomy Certificate of Development
- Computer Information Services (AAS)
- Computer Support Specialist Certificate
- Basic EMS Certificate of Development
- Criminal Justice (AAS)



Starting winter semester, WOCTEP will offer assistance with the following programs through our partnership with Bay Mills Community College:



- ◆ Associate of Arts Early Childhood Education
- ◆ Associate of Arts Business Administration
- ◆ Associate of Applied Science Construction Technology
- ◆ Associate of Applied Science Computer Information Systems
- ◆ Medical Office Certificate

**WOCTEP offers
Financial Assistance!**



- ◆ Tuition Assistance
- ◆ Textbook and required course materials Assistance
- ◆ Mileage Assistance
- ◆ Hourly Stipend (based on household income)
- ◆ Examination/qualification fee Assistance

In addition to WOCTEP Financial assistance, Native WOCTEP students may be eligible for Board of Regents Tuition Award at BMCC.

WOCTEP is funded by the US Department of Education through the NACTEP program. Federal funds contribute to 90% of funding (\$448,744) and tribal support of 10% (\$50,108) for project year 1 (2019) budget.

MAGNA TO ESTABLISH NEW MANUFACTURING FACILITY IN MICHIGAN



Magna has broken ground on a new manufacturing facility in St. Clair, MI, which will build complex battery enclosures for the all-new 2022 GMC Hummer EV.

Construction of the 345,000 square-foot facility, named Magna Electric Vehicle Structures, represents more than a \$70 million investment, which is expected to bring more than 300 jobs to the city of St. Clair over the next five years.

The battery enclosure contributes to the structural and safety aspects of a vehicle's frame and protects high-voltage batteries from damage and water. Magna can develop these advanced assemblies in steel, aluminum and multi-material configurations, including lightweight composites, to meet the individual needs of its customers.

"Bringing this new battery enclosure technology to market is another example of Magna's ability to deliver a full-system solution to automakers supporting their focus on a lower emissions future," said John Farrell, President of Cosma International, Magna's body and chassis group. "The move toward electrification allows us to rethink what is possible and demonstrate how we can leverage our core strengths to continue bringing customers innovative solutions that help them meet their goals, no matter how challenging."

"This investment by Magna will create great jobs for our state's talented workforce as we continue to implement our Michigan Back to Work plan to get Michiganders back on their feet," said Governor Gretchen Whitmer. "This announcement reaffirms Michigan is transforming along with the automotive industry to ensure the next generation of mobility and electrification is de-

signed, developed, tested, and built right here in our state."

Magna, through its body and chassis product group, has long been an industry leader in vehicle structures, providing a comprehensive range of capabilities and engineering solutions to global customers. This new business with GM marks an important evolution as the company expands its capabilities in all aspects of the vehicle electrification space.



Production at the new plant is expected to begin in early 2022. It will mark Magna's 25th manufacturing facility in Michigan. The team at the Magna Electric Vehicle Structures facility is actively hiring for a variety of jobs, including managers, engineers, operators and more. For information on careers with Magna, visit: <https://www.magna.com/company/careers>

ABOUT MAGNA

We are a mobility technology company. We have more than 158,000 entrepreneurial-minded employees and 342 manufacturing operations and 91 product development, engineering and sales centers in 27 countries. We have complete vehicle engineering and contract manufacturing expertise as well as product capabilities, which include body, chassis, exteriors, seating, powertrain, active driver assistance, electronics, mechatronics, mirrors, lighting and roof systems. For further information about Magna, visit www.magna.com.

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Helping Native Americans achieve self-sufficiency through employment and training opportunities in 28 counties throughout Michigan.

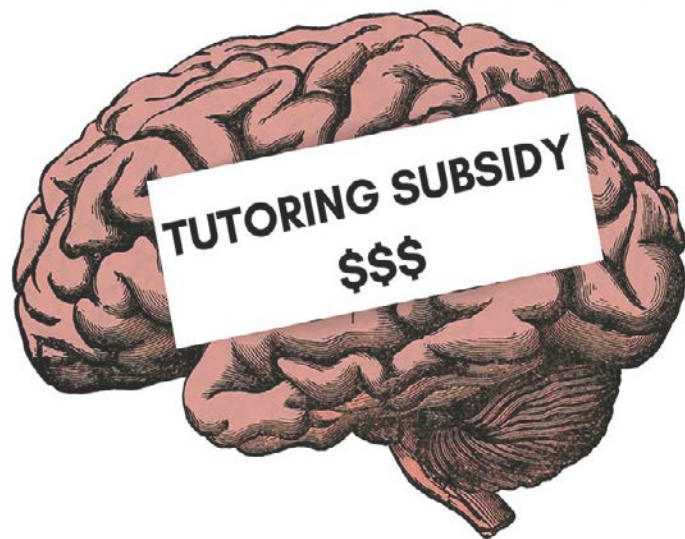
Examples of Services Provided:

- Help with job search & placement
- Development of an Individual Employment Plan
- Opportunities for classroom training
- Assistance for entrepreneurs and small business related costs
- Financial assistance for education and employment related costs.

For more information, contact Rachael Koepp at 231-242-1488 or e-mail rkoepp@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

LTBB of Odawa Indians is the recipient of this grant under the Department of Labor (DOL). In accordance with the Jobs for Veterans Act, WIOA

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA NIIGAANDIWIN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT



AVAILABLE TO LTBB CITIZENS
(K-12TH GRADE)
IN NEED OF
ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Call or e-mail for an application:
231-242-1480

Amanda Weinert,
aweinert@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
Dorothy Perry,
dperry@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

MICHIGAN DNR SAYS FISH KILLS MAY BE COMMON DURING SPRING THAW



stress and, sometimes, mortality. That could be the case this year with the record or near-record cold temperatures and large snowfalls Michigan experienced this month and any rapid warming in the coming months.

Fish can become easily stressed in winter due to low energy reserves because feeding is at a minimum in winter. They are then less able to handle low oxygen and temperatures swings.

“Winterkill begins with distressed fish gasping for air at holes in the ice and often ends with large numbers of dead fish that bloat as the water warms,” Whelan said. “Dead fish and other aquatic life may appear fuzzy because of secondary infection by fungus, but the fungus was not the cause of death. The fish actually suffocated from a lack of dissolved oxygen from decaying plants and other dead aquatic animals under the ice.”

Dissolved oxygen is required by fish and all other forms of aquatic life. Once daylight is greatly reduced by ice and snow cover, aquatic plants stop producing oxygen and many die. The bacteria, which decompose organic materials on the bottom of the lake, use the remaining oxygen in the water. Once the oxygen is reduced and other aquatic animals die and start decomposing, the rate oxygen is used for decomposition is additionally increased – which means that dissolved oxygen levels in the water decrease even further, leading to increasing winterkill.

For more information on fish kills in Michigan, visit Michigan.gov/Fishing. The public is welcome to report fish kills at Michigan.gov/EyesInTheField; such reports are valuable to the DNR’s ability to manage the state’s aquatic resources. If you suspect a fish kill is due to non-natural causes, call the nearest DNR office or Michigan’s Pollution Emergency Alert System at 800-292-4706.

Courtesy photo.

After ice and snow cover melt on Michigan lakes this early spring, it may be more likely for people to discover dead fish or other aquatic animals. While such sights can be startling, the Department of Natural Resources reminds everyone that it is normal since winter conditions can cause fish and other creatures such as turtles, frogs, toads and crayfish to die.

“Winterkill is the most common type of fish kill,” said Gary Whelan, DNR Fisheries Division research manager. “As the season changes, it can be particularly common in shallow lakes, ponds, streams and canals. These kills are localized and typically do not affect the overall health of the fish populations or fishing quality.”

Shallow lakes with excess aquatic vegetation and soft bottoms are more prone to this problem, particularly when a deep snowpack reduces sunlight for the plants. Canals in urban areas also are susceptible due to the large amounts of nutrient runoff and pollution from roads and lawns and septic systems, which flow into these areas, especially from large storm events.

Fish and other aquatic life typically die in late winter but may not be noticed until a month after the ice leaves lakes. That’s because the dead fish and other aquatic life are temporarily preserved by the cold water. Fish also may be affected by rapid changes in water temperature due to unseasonably warm temperatures leading to



LTBB
OFFICE OF CITIZENS
LEGAL ASSISTANCE



The Office of Citizens Legal Assistance has been established to provide free legal advice to enrolled tribal citizens in non-criminal matters such as:

❖ Family Law	❖ Estate Planning
• Divorce	• Wills
• Child Custody	• Health Care Directives
• Child Support	• Powers of Attorney
• Guardianships	
• Parentage/Paternity	❖ Probate
❖ Indian Child Welfare Act / Michigan Indian Family Preservation Act	❖ Landlord/Tenant
	• Evictions
	• Tenant Rights
❖ Setting Aside a Conviction	❖ Consumer
	• Debt Collection
❖ Driver License Restoration	

The office is available to provide legal guidance and drafting of certain legal documents but does not provide in court representation at this time. The office may give procedural advice only on matters that are of a criminal nature or involve the Tribe or other Tribal Citizens as a potential party in a dispute.

For assistance and to make appointments,
Please call Monday – Friday, 9 am – 5 pm
231-242-1433

VOLUNTEER AS A HOST, GET FREE CAMPING OR HARBOR SLIP FROM MICHIGAN DNR



Would you like to camp or get a harbor slip for free this summer?

In exchange for 30 hours a week of volunteer service such as answering guest questions, planning activities, giving tours and performing light maintenance duties, you can camp for free for up to a month at 122 state parks and state forest campgrounds this summer.

There also are opportunities to serve as a host at the recently reopened Memorial Building at Hartwick Pines State Park in exchange for free camping, and at one of several state harbors – where harbor slip fees are waived for volunteer hosts.

Campground hosts are screened and interviewed by park managers and selected on availability, familiarity

of camping and state parks, special skills and knowledge of the area. Hosts must participate in a two-day training session within the first two years of being selected. This year’s training will be virtual and will take place June 2-3, 2021.

Eligibility

- Both individuals and couples may apply.
- Must be 18 or older and provide your own camping equipment, food and other personal items.
- Ability to work at least five days a week, including weekends and holidays (totaling 30 hours per week).
- Must be able to volunteer for a minimum of 30 days (positions available April through October).
- Must pass a background check.

• Applicants may not be DNR employees.

COVID-19 Procedures

Due to new procedures and protocols implemented to ensure the health and safety of visitors, volunteers and staff, duties may vary based on current COVID-19 restrictions and guidance. This year’s hosts will be required to complete the COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan agreement.

How to Apply

Complete the application and liability waiver available at www.michigan.gov/dnr

• For state parks and recreation areas, please mail or e-mail your application directly to the park where you would like to host.

• For state forest campgrounds, please mail your application to the address listed on the form. You may apply for positions at more than one state park or recreation area, but separate applications should be completed. Applications are accepted year-round until vacancies are filled.

More Information

If you have any questions, please contact Michelle O’Kelly at 517-881-5884.

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Seven Grandfather Teachings
Niizhwaaswi
Gmishoomsinaan
Kinoomaagewinan

Wisdom ~ Nbwaakaawin
to have wisdom is to know the difference between good and bad and to know the result of your actions.

Love ~ Zaagidowin
unconditional love to know that when people are weak they need your love the most, that your love is given freely and you cannot put conditions on it or your love is not true.

Respect ~ Mnaadenamoowin
to have honour for all of Creation. You must give respect if you wish to be respected.

Bravery ~ Aakide'ewin
to be brave is to do something right even if you know it's going to hurt you.

Honesty ~ Gwekwaadiziwin
always be honest in word and action. Be honest first with yourself, and you will more easily be able to be honest with others.

Humility ~ Dbadendizwin
you are equal to others, but you are not better.

Truth ~ Debwewin
to learn the truth, to live with truth and to walk with truth, to speak truth.



10 TIPS FOR SELF-CARE AT HOME

Try every day to step away from work for 20 minutes. You can:

 <p>1. Call an Elder or relative</p>	 <p>4. Create something (art, music, handcrafted item)</p>	 <p>8. Listen to your favourite music or podcast</p>
 <p>2. Get outside, Connect with the land</p>	 <p>5. Practice your culture or traditional method of healing</p>	 <p>9. Exercise, Home Workout, Dance, Run</p>
 <p>3. Learn one new word in an Indigenous language</p>	 <p>6. Nourish yourself with a healthy snack</p>	 <p>10. Try a new recipe or traditional dish</p>
 <p>7. Stretch, practice yoga or meditate</p>		

LTBB Executive Town Hall meetings are now available to be viewed at:

www.ltbbodawa-nasn.gov/townhallmeetings.html

P.O.D. IT, DON'T FLUSH IT!

What can I dispose of in the Collection Boxes?

Items Accepted

- Prescription Drugs (Including controlled substances)
- Over-the-counter (OTC) Medicines
- Pet Medicines
- Nutritional Supplements and Vitamins
- Medicated Ointments and Lotions
- Liquid Medications in Sealed Containers or Plastic Bags

Items NOT Accepted

- Needles, Lancets or Pen Needles (ANY Sharps)
- Aerosol Cans
- Bloody or Infectious Waste
- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Thermometers
- IV Bags
- Trash
- Mail

Where can I dispose of my unused medications?

Place your medications in the secure POD collection boxes at these locations.

ANTRIM COUNTY

Antrim County Sheriff's Office - Administration Office
107 Grove Street, Bellaire, MI 49615 - 231-533-8627

Elk Rapids Police Department
321 Bridge Street, Elk Rapids, MI 49629 - 231-264-6592

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Boyne City - City Hall
319 North Lake Street, Boyne City, MI 49712 - 231-582-6611

Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office - Jail Entrance
1000 Grant Street Charlevoix, MI 49720 - 231-547-4461

City of Charlevoix Police Department
210 State Street Charlevoix, MI 49720 - 231-547-3258

Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office - Beaver Island
37830 Kings Highway, Beaver Island, MI 49782 - 231-448-2700

City of East Jordan Police Department
326 Main Street, East Jordan, MI 49727 - 231-536-2273

CHEBOYGAN COUNTY

Cheboygan County Sheriff - Department County Building
870 S. Main Street Cheboygan, MI 49721 - 231-627-3155

Cheboygan Department of Public Safety - Cheboygan City Hall
403 N. Huron Street Cheboygan, MI 49721 - 231-627-4321

Mackinaw City Police Department - Village Hall
102 S. Huron Avenue Mackinaw City, MI 49701 - 231-436-7861

Tuscarora Township Police Department
3546 Sturgeon Avenue Indian River, MI 49749 - 231-238-9481

EMMET COUNTY

City of Petoskey Department of Public Safety - Lobby of City Hall
101 East Lake Street, Petoskey, MI 49770 - 231-347-2500

City of Petoskey Dept. of Public Safety Station West Bay Harbor
3625 Charlevoix Avenue Petoskey, MI 49770 - 231-347-4642

Emmet County Sheriff's Office - Jeffery P. Bodzick
Administrative Office and Correctional Facility -Jail Entrance
450 Bay Street, Petoskey, MI 49770 - 231-439-8900

Emmet County Sheriff's Office - Richard L. Zink Law Enforcement Center
3460 Harbor-Petoskey Road, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 (231) 439-8900

Harbor Springs Police Department
170 Zoll Street, Harbor Springs, MI 49770 - 231-526-6211

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians - Tribal Police Department
911 Spring Street, Petoskey, MI 49770 - 231-242-1574

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY

Grand Traverse County Sheriff -
Traverse City Police Department Law Enforcement Center
851 Woodmere Avenue, Traverse City, MI 49686 - 231-995-5001

MACKINAW COUNTY

City of St. Ignace Police Department
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FEDS DROP LEGAL BATTLE AGAINST MASHPEE LANDS

Associated Press



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The Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe scored a legal victory Friday (February 19, 2021) when the U.S. Interior Department withdrew a Trump administration appeal, which aimed to revoke federal reservation designation for the tribe's land in Massachusetts.

A federal judge in 2020 blocked the U.S. Interior Department from revoking the tribe's reservation designation, saying the agency's decision to do so was "arbitrary, capricious, an abuse of discretion, and contrary to law." The Trump administration appealed the decision, but the Interior Department on Friday (February 19, 2021) moved to dismiss the motion.

In a filing in a federal appeals court in Washington, D.C., the Interior Department said it had "conferred with the parties and none opposes this motion." A judge granted the motion and dismissed the case.

The tribe's vice chair, Jessie Little Doe Baird, called it a

triumph for the tribe and for ancestors "who have fought and died to ensure our Land and sovereign rights are respected."

"We look forward to being able to close the book on this painful chapter in our history," Baird said in a statement. "The decision not to pursue the appeal allows us to continue fulfilling our commitment to being good stewards and protecting our Land and the future of our young ones and providing for our citizens."

The Cape Cod-based tribe was granted more than 300 acres of land in trust in 2015 by then-President Barack Obama, a move which carved out the federally protected land needed for the tribe to develop its planned \$1 billion First Light casino, hotel and entertainment resort.

The tribe learned in March

2020 the federal government was moving to reverse the reservation designation. The Trump administration decided it could not take the land into trust because the tribe was not officially recognized as of June 1, 1934. That was the year the federal Indian Reorganization Act, which laid the foundation for modern federal Indian policy, became law.

At the time, the tribe's chair called it a "sucker punch."

The Cape Cod-based tribe, which traces its ancestry to the Native Americans who shared a fall harvest meal with the Pilgrims in 1621, gained federal recognition in 2007.

U.S. Representative Bill Keating, D-Massachusetts, whose district represents Cape Cod, applauded the decision to drop the appeal.

"The claim that the Tribe of the First Light, the Tribe of the First Thanksgiving was not an original Native American Tribe has always been disingenuous," Keating said in a statement. "And the Trump Administration's sudden attempt to remove their land from trust last March — in the midst of a pandemic — was heartless."

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MINECRAFT'S INDIGENOUS WORLD

By Darrell Stranger

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For most kids, Minecraft is a game they play to unwind after school, but thanks to a new program at the Louis Riel School Division (LRSD), kids can now play it during school hours.

The LRSD in Winnipeg, is using the game Minecraft to teach students about Manitoba Anishinaabe culture.

It's a first of its kind education tool using an educational version of the game.

The program was made thanks to a partnership between Microsoft Canada, Minecraft: Education Edition and LRSD.

Students enter the virtual world of Manito Ahbee Aki meaning "the place where the Creator sits" to learn and explore Manitoba's Anishinaabe community.

"We hope Manito Ahbee Aki also helps in a small way move forward the truth and reconciliation calls to actions in classrooms here in Manitoba and in Canada," said LRSD Superintendent Christian Michalik.

Students learn teachings about tobacco, navigating directions using the sun, moon and stars, and eventually, take a canoe ride to where they set up a community and take part in a bison hunt.

"It has been really fun for me; I've played Minecraft my whole life and it's fun to test something new and something exciting that they can develop into the game. It was really interesting to learn about all their teachings and things I didn't know before," said Grade 6 student Colin Ciecko from Highbury School in Winnipeg. "My favorite part is just being able to run around and be guided through what life was like for the Anishinaabe people."

Creating the game took 14 months of development with stakeholders located in Canada, the United States and Australia.

The school sought the help of numerous knowledge keepers and indigenous elders in the development of the game.

Anishinaabe elder and grandmother Chickadee Richard says the game is a chance to show



everyone what Anishinaabe culture is about.

"We have a different understanding amongst each other and our relationship to the land and all of the environments that surround us. We're an oral people, so our history comes from our ancestors, but it also comes from the land and the ceremonies and I feel it's important to let everyone know that we're still here, we're still intact, we're still practicing our ways, our ancient ways," Richard said.

According to Microsoft, more than 200 million students, faculty, institutional leaders and teachers are actively using Microsoft Education.

"Launching the Manito Ahbee Aki world in Minecraft means that students and educators across Canada and the world will have access to an important resource that showcases a core component of Canada's heritage, the Anishinaabe nation," said Kevin Peesker, president of Microsoft Canada.

The Anishinaabe digital world includes flora, fauna and locations from Manitoba that were specially created for this world and did not exist in any other Minecraft property. The non-player characters (NPC) in the game are also unique and are modelled after Grandmother Chickadee, two LRSD staff and three Anishinaabe Knowledge Keepers from Manitoba.

Michalik says the school division hopes to have five other worlds for each of the indigenous peoples in Manitoba.

"In the very near future, we plan to build five additional Minecraft worlds that will bring to life the four remaining first nations that our land acknowledgement reminds us called Manitoba home long before Europeans arrived. And, the Metis nation that blossomed out of the coming together of first nation peoples and Europeans."

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The Native American Journalists Association is now accepting applications for the 2021 NAJA-Facebook Journalism Project Scholarship through April 30. NAJA will select five students for one-time awards of \$10,000 each for the NAJA-Facebook



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OUR RACE MATTERS: ADDRESSING DATA GENOCIDE

Submitted by the **Intertribal Council of Michigan, Inc.**

The COVID-19 pandemic is presenting health challenges to all populations across the country with black, indigenous and people of color (BIPOC) carrying the heaviest burden. We are witnessing the impact of COVID-19 on Indian country. However, the lack of reporting on race and ethnicity in COVID-19 public health surveillance data is not telling the whole story for American Indian and Alaskan Native (AI/AN) communities.

A COVID-19 Data Report Card, published by the Urban Indian Health Institute (UIHI), addresses the effectiveness in collecting and reporting racial data in the United States. The UIHI, one of 12 tribal epidemiology centers in the U.S., gave each state a grade based on the quality of collection and reporting of AI/AN COVID-19 racial data. Michigan was given a C-.

The report goes on to say, "This lack of data directly impacts the ability of local, state, federal and tribal public health authorities to address the COVID-19 virus and limits policy makers' ability to make data-driven decisions for equitable policy and resource allocation."

To address the absence or gap in data, the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan has launched a media campaign on its social media platforms, encouraging Michigan's AI/ANs to "Claim Your Race" and "Represent Your Tribe" on all health forms rather than marking "other," something else or nothing when asked for race informa-

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- Black
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- Hispanic/Latino

Selecting race on health forms allows local, state, federal and tribal public health authorities to understand the impact of COVID-19 in American Indian and Alaska Native communities in order to make data-driven decisions.

Race data can help determine our Native communities' needs for schools, housing, health care facilities and roads. AI/AN race information speaks for the generations of Native people before you and for those yet to come. You do not need to be enrolled in a federally recognized tribe to identify as American Indian or Alaska Native.

To read the full article from the Urban Indian Health Institute, visit <https://www.uihi.org/projects/data-genocide-of-american-indians-and-alaska-natives-in-covid-19-data/>

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RACIAL MISCLASSIFICATION SURVEY



Research shows American Indian/Alaska Native populations are more misclassified as another race than other racial groups in things like cancer registries or cardiovascular disease mortality rates. This misclassification likely results in an underestimated burden of chronic illness and COVID-19 in our communities and makes it hard to document health disparities.

We have been working to

bring to light the importance of mitigating racial misclassification by encouraging individuals to "check their race(s)" when asked on health or other standard forms, and to understand the perspectives of Native Americans when being recorded by their racial identity.

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ODAWA CASINO PRESENTS NEARLY \$8,000 TO LOCAL NON-PROFITS

Editor's note: The following is an Odawa Casino press release.

Odawa Casino raised \$7,992.97 in donations to share equally between three local non-profits and presented checks to the organizations, including Manna Food Project, Brother Dan's Food Pantry and the Charlevoix Community Food Pantry for \$2,664.32 each.

Odawa Casino launched the Spare Change Donation program in August 2020 in response to the national coin shortage, which simultaneously supports local non-profits within the community. The program includes boxes placed around the casino floor where guests are able to donate the change from their gaming vouchers instead of cashing them in at the casino cashier.

"We are pleased to see that the community has had such a positive response to the program. This is another way for all of us to continue to

give back, and we plan to continue with it moving forward in order to help as many organizations as possible," said Ron Olson, Odawa Casino General Manager.

If an organization would like to be considered as one of the recipients in future months, it is encouraged to contact Community Development Coordinator Marty Van De Car at [mvan-decar@odawacasino.com](mailto:mvandecar@odawacasino.com)

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From left to right: Alan Bouschor, Odawa Casino Director of Marketing; Jessyca Stoecker, Manna Food Project Community Engagement Coordinator; and Marty Van De Car, Odawa Casino Community Development Coordinator.



From left to right: Alan Bouschor, Odawa Casino Director of Marketing; Denny Keiser, Brother Dan's Food Pantry Board President; Sue Foltz, Brother Dan's Food Pantry Director; and Marty Van De Car, Odawa Casino Community Development Coordinator.



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said Hannah Schauer, communications and education coordinator in the DNR Wildlife Division. "But as wildlife become more active in the spring, bird seed can attract more than just birds to your yard."

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To learn more about being Bear SMART this spring, visit Michigan.gov/Wildlife or contact the DNR Wildlife Division at 517-284-9453.

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TEMPE ACKNOWLEDGES TRADITIONAL HOMELAND

By Kalle Benallie

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An Arizona city has formally recognized the traditional homelands it was built on more than a century ago.

Tempe, along with metropolitan Phoenix, sits on traditional O'odham and Piipaash land. Recently, the city acknowledged its 40 square miles are on the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community homelands — a rare move by a large city — as a way to recognize Native historical and cultural land significance.

The statement will be used in its educational programs, ceremonies and holiday observances as well as be included in the city's discussions and decisions about land use and development, according to the press release.

Council member Doreen Garlid, Navajo, was part of the team that helped propel the initiative. She was elected in March 2020 and became the first Native American council member for the city.

"This was something so close to my heart, and I'm so proud to be a part of it," she said.

Arizona State University's main campus in Tempe has already acknowledged the land it sits on. Portland, Oregon, approved a series of directives in December, one was to adopt a formal land acknowledgment.

Garlid said the city worked with citizens of Salt River and its sister tribe, the Gila River Indian Community, to help guide the language of the statement.

"It's not a document that the City of Tempe put together, it's a document that was put together by the local nations, the city of Tempe, with lots of respect, honor and love went into it. It's a beautiful document," she said.

She said the process began around early fall last year, and everything seemed to develop quickly.

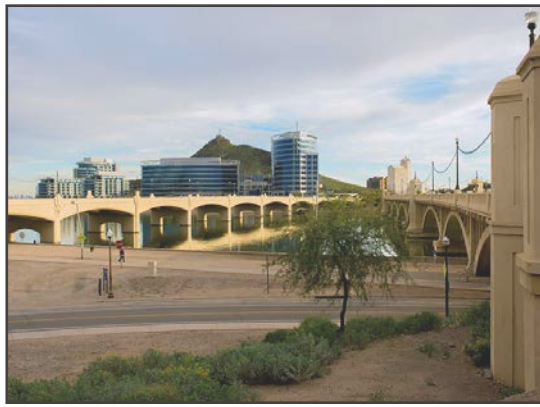
"When you realize the importance of it and when you realize how special it can be, people are just so excited and proud to work on it," she said.

Discussions of the land acknowledgement stemmed from Debbie Nez Manuel, Navajo, asking Garlid about Indigenous People's Day, and what the city could possibly do. Tempe Council member Lauren Kuby also discussed with Garlid about an e-mail signature that acknowledges the land.

"I've always wanted to embrace our partnerships with the tribes, and embrace everyone in our city," Kuby said.

Tempe's Historic Preservation Officer John Southard and the Community Development Deputy Director/Special Projects Alex Smith were also involved.

Kuby said they plan to have the statement be heavily included in the city's government.



"It's a commitment to acknowledge the ancestry of this region, and it's a commitment to embrace the understandings of land, so when we are making decisions, we are keeping the entire history of this place," Kuby said.

The statement was formally read at a meeting on January 14, which Garlid said Mayor Corey Woods asked her to read. She said it was a moving moment for her and her Navajo-side of her family.

"This was an opportunity to elevate all of our history and our ancestors and be able to honor them," Garlid said. "Even though it wasn't for the Navajo Nation, when we lift one nation up, we lift them all."

She added some indigenous people have reached out and expressed their excitement and non-Natives said how proud they were of the city's actions.

She said she hopes in the future, there will be more Native recognition in the city.

"It's just the beginning, this is just opening doors," she said.

Nez Manuel said this process was different than when she worked three years ago with Native youth from Morning Star Leaders to have cities like Tempe acknowledge the land.

"I think that has to do with representation at the table. Meaning council member Doreen Garlid was at the table; her being Navajo, her being able to see the internal workings of the city" she said.

Nez Manuel said this is the precedent for other land acknowledgements and hopes other cities will follow like making time and working with tribes.

"It's happening, it's slowly happening," she said. "I think as time goes on, we're going to get there, but it takes so much education to teach non-Indians what we're asking for, what we mean, what outcomes we want to see."

Despite how long the process took, Nez Manuel said there is plenty of time to continue these initiatives.

"It will take time, but we have a lot of time to start those for our children and our grandchildren to see," she said.

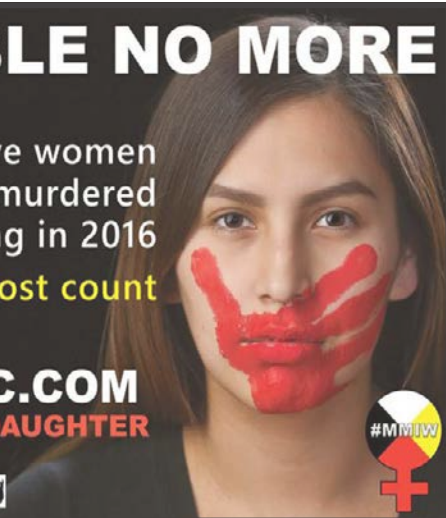
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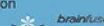
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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE ORDERS NARROW SCOPE IN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION'S LINE 5 TUNNEL REPLACEMENT PERMIT DECISION



is opposing the existing Line 5 pipeline and the tunnel construction project and is being represented by Earthjustice and the Native American Rights Fund (NARF) in the legal proceedings.

In response to the decision, the tribe's legal representatives made the following statements:

"The unfathomable damage that Line 5 could inflict upon our treaty-protected waters, cultural resources, and critical plant and fish populations is too great to justify the pipeline's continued operation or potential replacement," said Bay Mills Tribal Attorney Whitney Gravelle. "We are deeply disheartened that today's ruling will exclude critical evidence about environmental risks and climate change from the scope of the Commission's permitting consideration, but we remain determined to stop this project from moving forward."

"We are disappointed by today's ruling, which adopts an overly narrow interpretation of the scope of this contested case and the Michigan Public Service Commission's authority," said Earthjustice Attorney Mary Rock. "Given the fact that the existing pipeline in the Straits of Mackinac must shut down because of the Governor's revocation and termination of the 1953 easement, it only makes sense to assess whether building a massive tunnel so that the pipeline can transport oil beneath sensitive and critical waters for decades to come is really necessary and environmentally sound. We will continue our advocacy on behalf of Bay Mills and its opposition to the tunnel project."

"Today's ruling is deeply concerning, because evidence related to the public need for this pipeline and the environmental risks of its operation are both essential parts of the decision about whether to approve the tunnel project," said **Native American Rights Fund attorney David Gover**. "We will continue to support Bay Mills and shine a light on the very real threats this project poses to the Tribe's Treaty rights, livelihoods, and cultural resources."

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On February 23, 2021, an administrative law judge in Michigan issued a decision determining what evidence could be presented before the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) in its upcoming hearing over whether to grant Enbridge an operating permit for its Line 5 tunnel construction project in the Straits of Mackinac.

Last October, the judge had issued a ruling regarding what kind of evidence the MPSC was allowed to consider, but that ruling was made prior to Michigan Governor Whitmer's November order which revoked and terminated the 1953 easement which had allowed Enbridge to operate the pipeline in the Straits. The order stipulates Enbridge must shutdown operation of its existing dual pipelines in the Straits by this May. The administrative law judge's new ruling was made with consideration of the governor's order.

In the new ruling, the judge stuck with his previous decision made last October, again excluding evidence concerning the public need for extending the life of Line 5 by constructing the pipeline tunnel, the environmental risks (i.e. oil spills) of the entire Line 5 pipeline and not just the segment beneath the Straits, and the impacts on climate change that continuing to operate Line 5 would impose.

Taking a leading role among the intervening parties in the MPSC's decision is the Bay Mills Indian Community, a tribal nation that calls the Straits of Mackinac home and has treaty rights to the waters to hunt, fish and gather. Bay Mills

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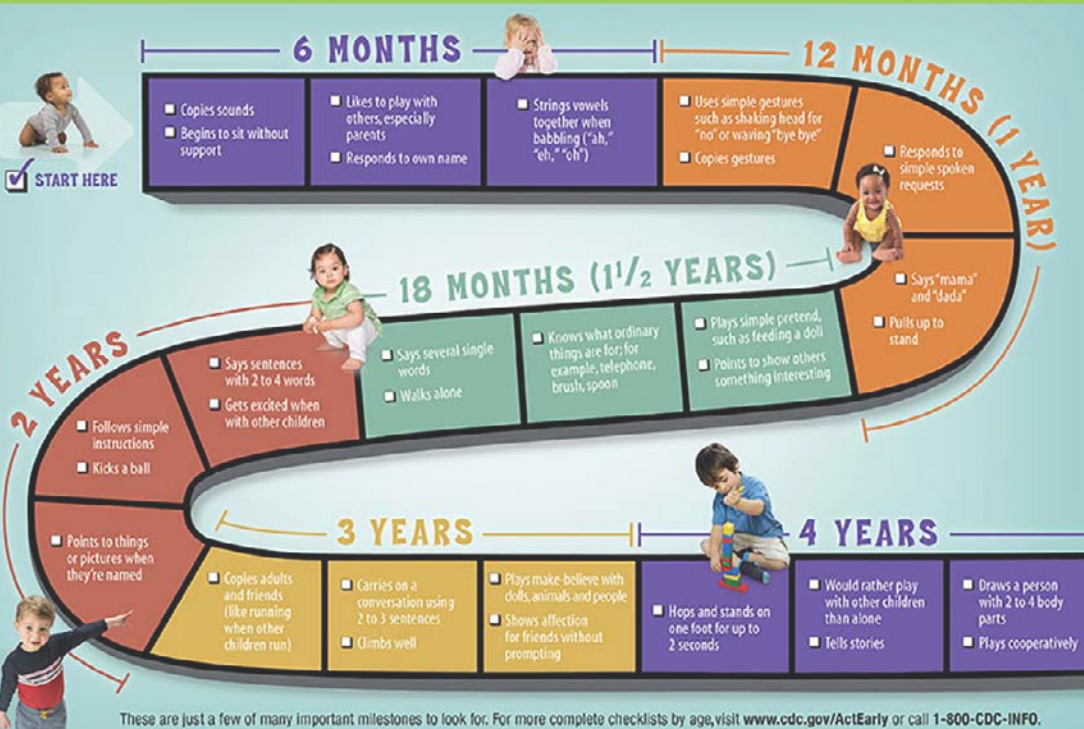
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On March 6, 2021, StrongHearts Native Helpline celebrated four years in operation. Despite the unprecedented hardships of 2020, the team at StrongHearts grew in number and strength and added many advocacy services to help Native Americans and Alaska Natives affected by domestic, dating and sexual violence.

2020 Year in Review

During the past year, the pandemic destabilized the work environment just as StrongHearts Native Helpline advocates began to gear up and increase advocacy. The pandemic created an urgency to meet the needs of Native Americans and Alaska Natives who already suffer the highest rates of domestic, dating and sexual violence in the United States.

“Not only did we meet our goals and deadlines, but we also navigated through the pandemic by transitioning into a fully remote operation,” said StrongHearts Director Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians). “The team at StrongHearts demonstrated an unwavering commitment to provide culturally-appropriate advocacy to victim-survivors across the nation.”

First Quarter

In February 2020, the first round of new hires brought in eight additional positions when the StrongHearts administrators stepped up advocate training to include and enable online chat advocacy.

Advocates were prepared and successfully implemented chat advocacy in May 2020. This new method of contact resulted in increased accessibility for individuals who may be hearing impaired and/or those who are uncomfortable with calling the helpline or unable to vocalize a call for support.

In the first quarter of 2020, when the pandemic was taking hold of the American public, StrongHearts saw a drop in the number of callers. However, StrongHearts' online presence continued to grow demonstrated by an increase in the number of people navigating the website and social media impressions.

“We suspect that the increased need was still there, but the pandemic created yet another obstacle to safety by requiring victims to shelter-in-place with their abuser,” said StrongHearts Communications Manager CC Hovie (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians). “Instead, we've seen a noticeable increase in online activities as Native American victim-survivors continued to seek support.”

Second and Third Quarter

During the second and third quarter of 2020, StrongHearts initiated a mass marketing campaign to create awareness and a greater presence in Native communities. Meanwhile, the number of contacts continued to grow when administrators again amped up their training modules to include sexual violence advocacy which was launched in August 2020.

Sexual violence advocacy is a component which addresses the horrific rates of sexual violence in Native communities. In fact, Native Americans suffer the highest rates of sexual violence among all ethnicities, all genders and age groups.¹ Sadly, the vast majority of perpetrators are non-Native which lends support to the belief that sexual violence is an extension of colonization that began with European contact.

Fourth Quarter

In November 2020, StrongHearts received

its 10,000th call. December saw nine additional staff members that included more advocates and a chief financial officer. These new employees were hired to gear up for around-the-clock hours of operation.

“The most ambitious year to date was navigated without a stumble. We kept up with our benchmarks and met our deadlines,” concluded Jump. “We will continue to strive to meet the needs of our people and all who reach out to us for help.”

By the Numbers

In 2020, StrongHearts advocates answered 3,074 calls and 406 chats. The types of abuse disclosed by Native intimate partner violence (IPV) victims are broken down into six categories and listed in order of prevalence.

- 87% Emotional Abuse
- 78% Physical Abuse
- 31% Financial Abuse
- 19% Digital Abuse
- 19% Sexual Abuse
- 10% Cultural Abuse

Prevalent Issues Native IPV victims are facing many hardships that further complicate domestic, dating and sexual violence. In order of prevalence, victims identified having the following issues.

- 54% Experience abuse at the hands of a non-Native partner
- 39% Disclosed they or their abusive partner have child dependents
- 12% Native victim-survivors have been strangled by their abusive partner
- 12% Disclosed being stalked
- 11% Disclosed experiencing cultural abuse
- 7% Native victim-survivors say their abuser has access to a firearm

Disparities in Shelters and Provider Services

The truth is Native peoples have long been ignored and have suffered unimaginable abuse without remedy. The disparities in the number of Native vs. non-Native shelters and service providers demonstrate the shortfall of Native specific resources.

• Compared to the 1,544 non-Native shelters² across the nation, there are only 56 specifically for Native peoples.³

• There are 3,643 non-Native service providers across the nation,² compared to only 257 which provide services specifically for Native peoples.³

While Native peoples suffer some of the highest rates of domestic and sexual violence, the lack of Native-centered resources continues to be a major hurdle. At StrongHearts, we know finding a culturally-specific resource can be hard which is why we exist. As a culturally-appropriate, confidential service for Native Americans and Alaska Natives, StrongHearts advocates offer emotional support, safety planning, crisis intervention and referrals to Native-centered resources. Call 1-844-762-8483 or for one-on-one chat advocacy, visit strongheartshelpline.org 24/7 days a week.

1. André B. Rosay, “Violence Against American Indian and Alaska Native Women and Men,” June 1, 2016, [nij.ojp.gov](https://nij.ojp.gov/topics/articles/violence-against-american-indian-and-alaska-native-women-and-men): <https://nij.ojp.gov/topics/articles/violence-against-american-indian-and-alaska-native-women-and-men>
2. National Domestic Violence Hotline database
3. StrongHearts Native Helpline database

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The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Regular Meeting Minutes February 11, 2021 via ZOOM

Call to Order: 9:03 a.m.
Opening ceremony: Councilor Marty Van De Car
Closed Session: No
Council Present: Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor
Absent: Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Leroy Shomin

Legislative Office Staff Present: Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Senior Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, General Counsel Jim Bransky, Legislative Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik

Corporate Charters Present: Gaming Authority Chairperson Matt Stemboski, Vice-Chairperson Mary Kilmer, and Secretary/Treasurer Donald Lasley; Odawa Economic Affairs Holding, Inc. Administrative Assistant Nick Peltier

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Vice Chairperson Stella Kay, Executive Director Unit I Phil Harmon, Executive Director Unit II Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson, WOCTEP Administrative Assistant Mary Schneider, Safety Coordinator Sue Gasco, Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department Director Carla Osawamick, WOCTEP Project Director Chris Polasky, Natural Resources Department Office Coordinator Debra Smithkey-Browne, Human Resources Director Denise Petoskey, Planning Administrative Assistant Shari Temple

Judicial Officials and Staff: none
Public: Bernadece Boda, Marvin Mulholland, Doug Emery

Invited Guest: Odawa Casino Resort General Manager Ron Olson, Director of Human Resources Andrea Shananaquet, Director of Slots Dennis Shananaquet, Director of Finance Roger Borton, Director of Marketing Alan Bouschor

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to adopt the agenda for February 11, 2021 as presented.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of January 28, 2021 as presented.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Tribal Council Officer Reports: Legislative Leader Report

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to amend the agenda to include a Tribal Council Special Meeting on Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to schedule a Special Closed Session Meeting for Personnel on Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Legislative Leader Emily Proctor's verbal and written report for February 11, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Executive Oversight Report: Discussion: Vice Chairperson Stella Kay

Tribal Chairperson Gasco-Bentley is working with National Congress of American Indians in support of Deb Haaland (D-NM) as Interior Secretary.

Dr. Joneigh S. Khaldun, MD, MPH, FACEP, Chief Medical Executive for the State of Michigan and Victor Joseph, President of Tanana Chiefs Conference (AK) have been selected as Members of Biden-Harris Administration COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force.

Chairperson continues to attend Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority meetings.

Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay is working on FY2022 budgets.

Discussion: Executive Director Unit I Phil Harmon

Working on FY2022 Budgets
Continuing to monitor the COVID-19 variance

Working on Phase III and beyond for reopening Tribal Government offices.

Discussion: Executive Director Unit II Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson

The new Tribal Website will be launched on Wednesday, February 17, 2021.

A larger shipment of COVID vaccine will be received next week. Please answer your phones as it may be the Tribal Health Department calling to schedule a vaccination appointment.

9:33 a.m. Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. arrives

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to acknowledge the verbal Executive Oversight Report as presented by Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay, Executive Director Unit I Phil Harmon, and Executive Director Unit II Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson on February 11, 2021.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Gaming Authority/Odawa Casino Resort

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of the Gaming Authority/Odawa Casino Resort review of 2020 Odawa Overview, OCR Marketing and Business Plan for 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Marty Van De Car), 1 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Secretary Report

Documents Delivered to Executive: None
Vetoes (Tribal Council has 90

days to override an Executive veto): None

Phone Polls: None

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept Secretary Julie Shananaquet's verbal report as provided on the agenda for February 11, 2021

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Treasurer Report

Appropriations and Finance Committee

-Last Regular Meeting: January 19, 2021

(Motions made at January 19, 2021 Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting were presented at the January 28, 2021 Tribal Council Meeting.)

-Last Special Meeting: January 29, 2021

(No Motions made at Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting)

-Next Meeting: February 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom.

Tribal Council Meeting Dates

April 6 Work Session
April 8 Council Meeting
April 20 Work Session
April 22 Council Meeting

May 4 Work Session
May 6 Council Meeting
May 18 Work Session
May 20 Council Meeting

All Tribal Council meetings and work sessions are held in the Tribal Council Chambers located at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI.

Legislative

Tribal Council Members

Emily Proctor, Legislative Leader
Julie Shananaquet, Secretary
Marcella Reyes, Treasurer
Tamara Kiogima, Councilor
Leroy Shomin, Councilor
Melissa Pamp, Councilor
Marty Van De Car, Councilor
Fred Kiogima, Councilor
Frederick Harrington, Jr., Councilor

Phone Polls:
02/03/2021 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to acknowledge receipt of the letter from Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. (OEDMI) stating that OEDMI will not be making a distribution to the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians for FY 2020.

Phone Poll Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Comments:
Secretary Julie Shananaquet: The motion should include "\$200,000.00 of non-payment". Motion carries.

02/03/2021 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to adopt Tribal Resolution Amended Appropriation of Funds for the 2021 Fiscal Year Operating Budgets.

Phone Poll Vote: 2 Yes, 1 No (Secretary Julie Shananaquet), 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carries.

02/05/2021 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION

021121-01 Governmental Branch Allocation of General Funds for Fiscal Year 2022.

Phone Poll Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Committee Chair for February 11, 2021.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Land and Reservation Committee

-Last Meeting: February 5, 2021 (Motions made at Land and Reservation Committee Meeting):

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to assign Land Parcel #130 and request Environmental Services to provide a Phase I Environmental Assessment for the parcel.

Vote: 2 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to assign Land Parcel #131 and request Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation provide a Phase II Environmental Assessment for parcel.

Vote: 2 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries.

-Next Meeting: March 5, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom.

Phone Polls passed by Land and Reservation Committee: none

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to accept the Land and Reservation Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Committee Chairperson for February 11, 2021.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Tribal Council Member Reports:

Councilor Marty Van De Car:
Judge Maldonado asked Councilor Marty Van De Car to sponsor the Domestic Violence Statute in proposed changes along with Domestic Violence Court Docket Coordinator Stuart Fenton and other Court Staff. Statute will be brought forward to the next Tribal Council Work Session.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to accept Councilor Marty Van De Car's verbal report for February 11, 2021.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Legislative Office Reports: Office of Finance and Revenue - Senior Financial Analyst

Corporate Charters and/or Board Updates:

Traditional Tribal Burial Board - none

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. - none

Ziibimijwang, Inc. - none

Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation - none

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to accept Sr. Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal report for February 11, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.), 0 - Ab-

stained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik's verbal report as presented on February 11, 2021.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Legislative Services Attorney

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick's verbal and written report for February 11, 2021.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

General Counsel

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to accept General Counsel Jim Bransky's verbal report for February 11, 2021.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Public Comment 11:45 a.m. Opened

Daugherty Johnson #0938 commented he would like to see the Tribe develop license plates and registration.

Michele Portman-LaCount #3554 supports Daugherty Johnson comments. Would like Tribal Council discussion on this matter

Melissa Wiatrolik #0413 supports Michele Portman-LaCount's comments. Would love to see this happen. Thanked all Citizens and Elders for all their work in the community.

11:48 a.m. Closed

11:52 a.m. Treasurer Marcella Reyes exits meeting.

Legislative Office Manager

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to authorize the posting of documents marked as "confidential" from Tribally Chartered Corporations, Enterprises and their subordinate entities under the Legislative Branch to the "Citizens' Only Portal".

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to accept Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount's verbal report as presented on February 11, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

11:57 a.m. Break

12:11 p.m. Resume

Tribal Council Action Items:

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to acknowledge receipt of the letter from Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. (OEDMI) stating that OEDMI will not be making a distribution (\$200,000) to the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians for FY 2020.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin, Treasurer Marcella

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“Minutes” continued from page 28. mend to Tribal Council to approve the Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation Charter revision dated Feb 25, 2021.

Vote: 3 -yes, 0 -no, 0 -abstain, 0 -absent Motion carries.

*Phone Polls: none
Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 via Zoom*

Topic of discussion: Natural Resource Department request for rollover funds, and need to review statute stipulations regarding roll over funds. Seek legal opinion regarding time limitation of a tabled item without official action.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Committee Secretary for February 25, 2021

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Land and Reservation Committee

Last meeting: February 5, 2021 (No Motions made at the Land and Reservation Committee Meeting)

*Phone Polls: none
Next meeting: Friday, March 5, 2021 via Zoom*

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept the Land and Reservation Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor, Committee Member for February 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Tribal Council Member Reports: Secretary Julie Shananaquet – Multiple items of discussion:

Property tax payments, is there a need to revisit and amend policy. Ziibimijwang, Inc.

Status of compliance officer- due to a comment made during Appropriations and Finance Committee meeting regarding the numerous grant applications it was uncertain as to which budget/fund/line-item monies will be placed in.

Review job description of all legislative staff.

Committees and Charters need to be prepared with budget and quarterly reports.

General fund rollovers

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept Secretary Julie Shananaquet’s verbal report as presented on February 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

10:55 a.m. Break

11:16 a.m. Resume

Legislative Office Reports:

Office of Finance and Revenue – Senior Financial Analyst

Corporate Charters and/or Board Updates:

Traditional Tribal Burial Board – No report

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. – No report

Ziibimijwang, Inc. – No report

Gaming Authority – January 2021 Monthly Report

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of the Gaming Authority/Odawa Casino Resort’s January 2021 Monthly Report dated February 17, 2021.

stained (Councilor Marty Van De Car), 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Sr. Financial Analyst Rachel Cope’s verbal and written report for February 25, 2021.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to approve the sole source Contract with Wesley Andrews/Andrews Cultural Resources in the amount of \$9,100.00 with contract date parameters January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 and authorize Legislative Leader to sign the contract thereafter.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 - No (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatroluk’s verbal report as presented on February 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Legislative Services Attorney

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick’s written report for February 25, 2021.

Vote: - Yes, - No, - Abstained, - Absent

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

General Counsel

Public Comment
12:04 p.m. Opens
No comments

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to confirm the authorization for Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. (OEDMI) to pursue a \$1,000,000 line of credit with Fifth Third Bank with the Tribe to serve as guarantor.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to authorize the Executive to enter into the Updax contract which allows for dispute resolution under Ohio law in Ohio courts.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept General Counsel Jim Bransky’s verbal report for February 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Legislative Office Manager

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount’s written report for February 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

12:39 p.m. Break

12:46 p.m. Resume

Tribal Council Action Items:

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor to amend the agenda to include receipt of the Sign Code Regulations REG-WOS 2009-007 02242021-001.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Leroy Shomin, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 022521-01 Request for Funding as a sub-grantee from Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan for funding from the MDHHS Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities Administration, Mental Health Delivery System (MHDS) for Native Program Funding.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 022521-02 Request for Funding from the Dr. Scholl Foundation, Dr. Scholl Foundation Annual Funding.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 022521-03 Request for Funding as a sub-grantee from the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center for funding from the Indian Health Service, COVID-19 Vaccine Capacity-Building and Infrastructure Funding.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 022521-04 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Rights Protection Implementation Funds FY 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 022521-05 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Road Maintenance Program Contract FY 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 022521-06 Acceptance of Funding Increase from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Award Number NU1ROT000148-01-00 Supplemental Funding Increase.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 022521-07 Acceptance of Fund-

ing Increase from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Award Number E20212042-00 Supplemental Funding Increase.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 022521-08 Acceptance of Funding Increase from the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Resources for Victim Assistance Programs, Award Number E202111553-00 Supplemental Funding Increase.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve the Odawa Economic Affairs Holding, Inc. Charter, revision dated February 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to approve the Ziibimijwang, Inc. Charter dated February 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to approve the Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. Charter dated February 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor

Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt from the Executive the SIGN CODE REGULATIONS REG-WOS 2009-007 02242021-001.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to adopt Tribal Resolution Establishment of a Fund for the Construction and Operating Costs of a Migizi (Eagle) Rehabilitation/Aviary Center to be located at the LTBB Hatchery Property off of Drier Rd.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.-yes, Councilor Fred Kiogima-absent, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-absent, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

Other Items of Business: none

Public Comment
1:12 p.m. Opens
No public comments

1:13 p.m. Closed

Adjournment:

1:15 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to Adjourn.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Next Regular Tribal Council Meeting:

Thursday, March 11, 2021 via Zoom

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected.

Julie Shananaquet, Tribal Council Secretary Date



**Little Traverse Bay Bands
of Odawa Indians**

**NOTICE: Sex Offender
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USDA AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE SETS STAGE FOR NEXT-GENERATION RESEARCHERS



The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Agricultural Research Service (ARS) virtually launched its "Three Sisters Project," a new educational outreach effort to ensure a steady pipeline of fresh ideas, talent and diversity to the ranks of tomorrow's scientists, technologists, engineers, mathematicians and other professionals.

"In agricultural parlance, 'The Three Sisters' are crops planted together in a shared space: maize, beans and squash," ARS Administrator Dr. Chavonda Jacobs-Young explained during the project's virtual launch. "Developed through indigenous agricultural practices, these three plants protect and nourish each other in different ways as they grow and provide a solid diet for their cultivators."

In the same way, ARS's Three Sisters Project will engage its scientists and national program staff in fostering opportunities for urban high school students across the country to explore careers in agricultural science and STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) fields overall.

ARS will start a pilot phase of the project with the Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHSAS), whose students will participate in various learning activities with scientists from laboratories in the agency's Midwest Area and with Office of National Program leaders headquartered in Beltsville, MD.

Dr. Jacobs-Young said CHSAS was a natural choice to partner with given the robustness of

the college preparatory school's agricultural program and focus on helping students from across the city of Chicago to develop marketable skills and college-level competencies. The program's curricula expose participating students to everything from agricultural finances and economics, to mechanics, food technology and animal science.

"Both Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack and I have had the great honor of delivering commencement speeches to graduating students at this remarkable school," said Dr. Jacobs-Young, who also serves as USDA's Acting Chief Scientist and Acting Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics. "We've worked to formalize our engagement with CHSAS and are excited to begin the pilot of this project as a model to expand it to other urban high schools in the coming years."

"We are excited about the multitude of student-enrichment activities that will arise from this partnership. Our students will benefit greatly from mentorship opportunities with ARS scientists," said William Hook, CHSAS Principal.

Student-enrichment activities will include:

- Virtual seminars with students
- ARS laboratory field trips
- Science fair consultations and competitions
- Experiential training for faculty
- Cohort mentoring sessions

The Agricultural Research Service is the U.S. Department of Agriculture's chief scientific in-house research agency. Daily, ARS focuses on solutions to agricultural problems affecting America. Each dollar invested in agricultural research results in \$17 of economic impact.

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The Shirley Naganashe Oldman Secondary Education Completion Award recognizes your academic achievements as an LTBB tribal member. This program has been developed to promote the completion of secondary education programs. The Shirley Naganashe Oldman Completion Award, in the amount of \$100, will be awarded to LTBB tribal members who complete a secondary education program. In order to receive this award, a copy of your official transcript, copy of high school diploma, GED certificate or certificate of completion MUST be submitted.

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GOOGLE DOODLE CELEBRATES ZITKALA-SHA

By Vincent Schilling

Editor's note: The following article and photograph appeared on *Indian Country Today*, and they are reprinted here with permission.

Monday's (February 22, 2021) Google Doodle, the image found on the Google home search page, illustrates the Yankton Sioux writer, teacher, musician and suffragist Zitkala-Sha "Red Bird" with her violin on a ledger.

The Google Doodle celebrates her 145th birthday.

Kaw, Osage and Cheyenne River artist Chris Pappan created the illustration as requested by Google. Pappan has received such accolades as the Discovery Fellowship from the Southwestern Association of Indian Artists and the Heard Museum's Best of Class for paintings and drawings, and the Best of Division for Pappan's drawings at the 52nd Annual Indian Market.

The story of Zitkala-Sha "Red Bird"

Zitkala-Sha was born and raised on the Yankton Reservation in South Dakota.

At eight years old, Zitkala-Sha went to White's Indian Manual Labor Institute. As was the case with boarding schools in the United States, as a Native girl, she was forced to cut her hair and was punished if she ever spoke her Native language.

Though the boarding school was a sad experience for her, she received a western education through assimila-



tion, including the musical art of the violin. When she returned home, she wrote "Old Indian Legends" in 1901, and in 1913, she wrote the first Native opera, "The Sun Dance."

The Google Doodle page dedicated to today's Doodle highlighted the contributions of Zitkala-Sha in the following passage:

"In addition to her creative achievements, Zitkala-Sha was a lifelong spokesperson for Indigenous and women's rights. As an activist, she co-founded and served as first president of the National Council of American Indians in 1926. Zitkala-Sha's work was instrumental in the passage of historic legislation such as the Indian Citizenship Act of 1924 — granting citizenship to Indigenous peoples born in the United States — as well as the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934.

Happy Birthday, Zitkala-Sha, and thank you for your efforts to protect and celebrate Indigenous culture for generations to come.

About Chris Pappan (from the Rainmaker Gallery website)

"Chris Pappan is the winner of the prestigious Discovery Fellowship from the Southwestern Association of Indian Art-

ists (SWAIA) in 2011 and the Heard Museum's Best of Class (Paintings, Drawings, etc.) and Best of Division (drawing) at the 52nd Annual Indian Market 2010. Chris's work is in the collections of the Spencer Museum of Art, Kansas, Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, Illinois, The Schingoethe Center for Native Studies in Aurora Illinois, and private collections around the world. He is currently working on a major project for The Field Museum in Chicago.

Chris Pappan, his wife, Debra Yepa-Pappan, and their daughter, JiHae, visited Bristol for the opening of their exhibition FIRST PEOPLE, SECOND CITY co-curated by Dr. Max Carocci from the British Museum and Joanne Prince, Director of Rainmaker Gallery."

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Courtesy graphic.

CONNECTED CARE TIPS

Week of wellness

Monday

Listen to your favorite albums from past decades

Tuesday

Plant a flower or purchase a succulent

Wednesday

Write down a childhood memory in a journal or email

Thursday

Call a friend or family member to check in

Friday

Take a walk on a new path



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“Gavin” continued from page 1.

and I’ll try to figure out a way to make it work with the dietary restrictions. I enjoy the challenge of playing around with the recipes. I try to do frybread once a month although that can be challenging with the quantity of frybread needed and having the lunch ready by 10:30-11 a.m. for deliveries and pickup. I want to make sure the elders get their meals on time.”

Since June 2020, the Elders Department has delivered meals locally three times a week or made them available for pickup.



“Once we started doing home deliveries and the pickup service, the numbers rose quite dramatically,” Justin said. “When we were doing in person meals, we would serve 50 to the high 70s, and now, we’re doing more than 100 meals. I had to do a lot of homework when we switched to delivery and pickup. I had to figure out what held up well in to go containers, what would stay at a safe temperature and what was easiest for the shuttle drivers to deliver.”

Before the pandemic, elders luncheons were held at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

“I’m a really social person, so I like seeing everyone’s faces and getting their feedback,” he said. “I miss that a lot.”

Justin lived in Lansing, MI, until he and his family moved to Harbor Springs, MI, when he was in seventh grade. He graduated from Harbor Springs High School in 2005 and worked in many local restaurants after moving here. He worked at the Harbor IGA in the deli and at Bay View Inn

“Eagle Aviary” continued from page 1.

to have the opportunity to partner with Rebecca and Wings of Wonder, and to benefit from her matchless knowledge and experience.” According to Rebecca, the opportunity to work with LTBB was a blessing.

“After 30 years of caring for eagles every day, it was my fondest hope to find a way to pass along my expertise to an organization that could carry this important work into the future,” Rebecca said. “Looking into the eyes of eagles, watching them take flight as they are released back into the wild, it is no wonder that Native Americans revere them. What a joy to be able to help the tribe establish a space of sanctuary and healing for these extraordinary creatures.” With Doug’s leadership, LTBB has committed to building a state-of-the-art raptor center, hiring tribally-owned Seven Generations (7GAE) of Kalamazoo, MI, as architects and engineers. The center will be named “Migizi,” which is a Native American word for eagle. The rehabilitation facility will be named, “The Wings of Wonder Rehabilitation Center,” in honor of Rebecca and her lifelong commitment to saving raptors.

The Migizi Center will cost approximately \$600,000, which will come from a combination of tribal commitments, grants and individual contributions. Wings of Wonder, a 501(C)3 non-profit organization that has long supported the rehabilitation of eagles and other raptors, will be the fundraising arm of the project. “We are asking our loyal contributors and all those who care about the fate of the Bald Eagle to help raise the funds to establish the Migizi center,” Rebecca said. “Every dollar we raise will go directly to work to build pristine enclosures, a clinic for caring for injured raptors, and an aviary that will enable visitors to witness these mighty birds in flight.”

Donations can be made at www.wingsof-wonder.org

as a teenager and worked at the Fish restaurant in high school. After high school, he was the Executive Chef at the Paper Station Bistro, the Interim Executive Chef at Tap 30 and worked at Vernales before he and his wife started the Tasty Mitt catering company. He used to do a weekly recipe that appeared in the *Petoskey News-Review*, *The Graphic* and the *Gaylord Herald Times*.

“I learned how to use the equipment, fry chicken and make salads at the IGA and learned the basics at Bay View Inn,” he said. “There were some good chefs at the Fish. They kind of took me under their wing and taught me a lot of the cooking techniques. I managed dining rooms for a few years. It’s always been a goal of mine to own a catering company or restaurant. In the future, I’d like to keep growing my catering company, keep the elders healthy and own my own restaurant in 10 to 15 years.”

He and his wife, Justine, have been married for three years, and they have four children,



Harper, 11, Ava, 10, Mira, 8, and Oscar, 5. Ava and Oscar have both shown an interest in cooking. Justine is the manager at Vogue Salon and is a licensed cosmetologist. As a family, they enjoy outdoor activities such as swimming in their pool, jumping on their trampoline, playing games and barbecuing.

Courtesy photos.

wonder.org

Once endangered, bald eagles are sacred animals in American Indian traditions, culture and religion. They represent honesty, truth, majesty, strength, courage, wisdom, power and freedom — and are believed to have a special connection with the Creator. Many years of federal protection and private rehabilitation have enabled eagles to avoid extinction though they are still at risk from pesticides, hunters, pollution and other environmental hazards. Joe Mitchell, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Elder and Pipe Carrier, said, “The



Dave Christlansen

Anishinaabek look to the Eagle as the messenger to the Creator. The Eagle carries our prayers to the Creator. The Eagle lets the Creator know that some of us are trying to live and walk in a Good Way. The Anishinaabek believe that when we see an eagle that we need to respectfully put some tobacco down on Mother Earth to show the Creator that we’re still living in a Good Way and also to thank the eagle for doing his responsibility and showing us that we need to remember our own responsibilities here. The Eagle can see far. Some say that the Eagle Clan people have the ability to see far also, even to the point of seeing people or things as they really are.”

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- Petoskey/light shining a certain way
- Spring; it is spring.
- Land of the Crooked Tree (makers)
- Let's speak the native language.
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April Showers
Puzzle on page 14.

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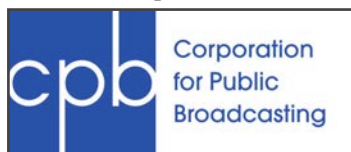
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VISION MAKER MEDIA RECEIVES \$500,000 FUNDING INCREASE FROM THE CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING



about Native Americans. Its signature works include supporting emerging filmmaker mentorship programs, producer training, awarding-winning television broadcasts and educational distributions. VMM, headquartered in Lincoln, Nebraska, receives annual funding from CPB, the steward of the federal appropriation for public broadcasting.

"I am pleased that the



Corporation for Public Broadcasting is planning to invest substantially more in Vision Maker Media. This increase in funding will importantly allow more stories about Indian Country to be shared across public media and foster greater understanding about the role of tribes in our collective history. As a member of the Chickasaw Nation of Oklahoma, I am encouraged that there is a desire to prioritize and more richly cover the unique history, heritage and culture of Native Americans. I look forward to the incredible work to come from Vision Maker Media," says Congressman Tom Cole, Co-chair of the Native American Caucus.

"Vision Maker Media's funding increase for the fiscal year of 2021 will help them continue to create jobs in Indian country and share important Native stories. As Native traditions and customs are at risk during a global pandemic, our stories and histories are more important than ever. I can't wait to see what Vision

Maker Media produces in the coming years," said Congresswoman Deb Haaland, Co-chair of the Native American Caucus.

The \$500,000 funding increase is one of five CPB is making to members of the National Multicultural Alliance (NMCA), which also includes the Center for Asian American Media (CAAM), Latino Public Broadcasting (LPB), Black Public Media (BPM) and Pacific Islanders in Communications (PIC). Since its founding more than 50 years ago, CPB's mission has been to provide universal access to high-quality programming, especially for the unserved and underserved. CPB uses a strategic framework called the "Three Ds" — Diversity, Dialogue and Digital — to reflect its commitment to innovation, inclusion and community engagement.

"CPB's commitment and funding for diverse filmmakers and storytellers spans decades and has resulted in content that educates, informs and inspires mutual understanding and respect," said Pat Harrison, CPB president and CEO. "Our increased support for the National Multicultural Alliance will build on that foundation and ensure that public media's content reflects the broadest range of cultural and social perspectives. The NMCA comprises individual organizations that encourage and fund diverse storytellers whose voices and experiences might never be heard without their support."

Courtesy graphics.

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12 November 2020

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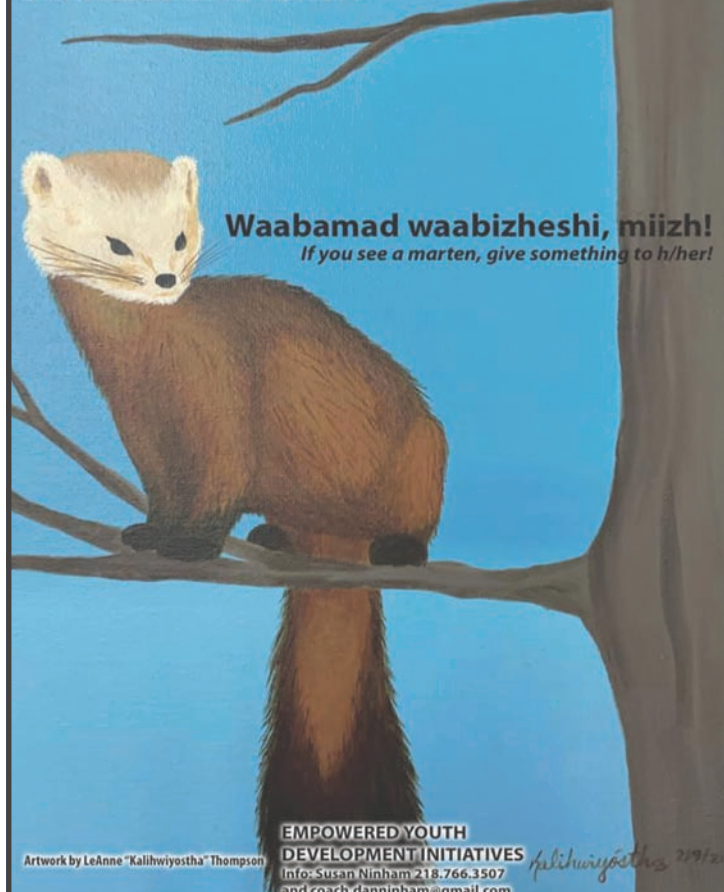
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2021 Tribal Elections Schedule

APRIL
Friday, April 2 - Primary Ballots Mailed to All Those Who Are Registered to Vote As Of February 2

MAY
Monday, May 3 - Primary Election Day
Location To Be Determined, 9 am - 6 pm
Thursday, May 6 - Non-Certified Primary Results Posted
Thursday, May 13 - Last Date to File a Challenge to the Primary Election by 5 pm
Friday, May 14 - Last Date for General Election Candidates to Withdraw
Monday, May 17 - Certification of the Primary Election at 5 pm & Official List of General Election Candidates Posted

Thursday, May 27 - Mailing of the General Election Ballots

JUNE
Monday, June 28 - General Election Day
Location To Be Determined, 9 am - 6 pm

JULY
Thursday, July 1 - Non-Certified General Election Results Posted
Thursday, July 8 - Last Date to File a Challenge to the General Election by 5 pm
Monday, July 12 - Certification of the General Election at 5 pm & Official Results of General Election Posted

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Megwetch,
Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

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Birthday



Marty Van De Car is this old. Happy 57th birthday on April 18, hope you have a Yabba Dabba Do good time! Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

Walking On...



Alan Kiogima, 54

Alan Barry Kiogima of Harbor Springs, MI, walked on unexpectedly on February 26, 2021 due to complications after surgery. He was 54 years old. Born on May 25, 1966 to the loving parents of Mary Jane and William Raymond "Zebe" Kiogima, Alan was raised in Harbor Springs. He graduated from Harbor Springs High School in 1984. He became part of the reserve police force while still in school in Harbor Springs and upon graduating, he decided to follow a calling, the calling of the Lord. Alan went to Rhema Bible Institute, starting his seminary journey. Growing up, there wasn't a holiday or life event that wasn't surrounded by family. Alan and his older brother, Willis, developed a close bond with their cousins, a bond that remains strong to this day. Family was very important to Alan. While he did not have any children of his own, he

was very involved in the lives of his nieces, Chandlar and Jade. One of his greatest joys was becoming, "Great Uncle Al," to Jade's children. He was always ready to babysit, just don't ask him to change a diaper! When Alan's dad passed away in 2014, Alan made the decision to move his life in a different direction, relocating back to Harbor Springs, and he started reconnecting with all of those who he had known throughout his life. Alan had the most likable personality, which helped him develop many special friendships. Once settled, he started working various jobs and finally, found his calling as a dispatch operator for tribal law enforcement. Alan was a proud member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. He loved attending pow wows and participating in tribal traditions. In fact, it was at a healing dance ceremony where he met his fiancé, Nicole. Alan and Nicole became inseparable from the moment they met. They enjoyed every minute of each other's company, and everyone around could see the love and appreciation that they shared. Alan lived his life to the fullest and with his own perspective. He will be missed by so many. He is survived by his mother, Mary Jane; brother, Willis (Beverly); fiancé, Nicole; nieces, Chandlar (Timothy) Rush and Jade (Cody) Barnes; his great nieces and nephews, Trenton, Ben-

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jamin, Havana, Hunter and Chase; aunt, Betty Kiogima; many cousins; and his beloved dog, Tucker. He was preceded in death by his father; aunt Mary Ann; uncles, Augustine, Leon, Duane, Robert, Frank and John. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Diabetes Association or to the Wings of Wonder Migizi Aviary and Rehabilitation Center. His family would like to thank the staff, including the doctors and nurses of McLaren Northern Michigan, who saw to his care through the years and in his final days as he battled his diabetes. They would also like to thank his endocrinologist, Jill Vollbrecht, and his nurse practitioner, Jessica Mastbergen.



Michael Edward Dominic, 77

Michael Edward Dominic, born in Flint, MI, on December 1, 1943 went to his Home in Heaven on March 2, 2021. He lost his four-year battle with cancer but not without a fight. His doctor told him he was to only survive a short period of time but beating the odds, he survived more than three years longer. Mike used this extra time given to reconnect with his family and friends. He had a special gift of making people laugh with all his stories he would tell of his life's adventures. Mike is preceded in going Home by his parents, Robert and Waunetta (McClellan) Dominic, and sister, Christina Dominic. Mike grew up in Petoskey, MI, grad-

uating from Petoskey High School. After high school, he went to North Central Michigan College for two years. He then moved his family up to Marquette, MI, to finish his degree at Northern Michigan University, studying biology/chemistry. Mike soon moved to Grand Rapids, MI, to begin working at Amway as a cosmetic chemist. He loved working there and enjoyed formulating new products. It gave him great pride having his family and friends test out all his new ideas. Years later, he moved a couple more times. First to Chicago, IL, to work at Helen Curtis where he formulated the well-known deodorant "Degree." Then, he lived in Tennessee, working for Maybelline. After that, he moved to Utah where he really enjoyed the mountains by going hiking, searching for rocks and exploring. Mike had many other passions and hobbies. He loved golfing, fishing, watching sprint car racing, making model airplanes and exploring new places. Mike did have his struggles throughout life with addiction, but he was very open about it. He participated in, supported others, and was a big advocate for the recovery community. When Mike moved back to Michigan, he enjoyed and helped many people at the American House where he stayed all the way through to hospice. He made many friends there, including the staff. His entire perspective on life changed, and it gave him purpose and peace.

Mike is survived by his daughter, Michelle (Dominic) Dobbs, with husband, Daniel, and children, Zachary, Tyler, Jared, Ty, son, Troy Dominic, with wife, Sarah Dominic, and son, Ty, daughter, Amber Didion, and children, Brekin, Brielle and Sienna, and son, Alex Dominic. He is also survived by his brothers, Robert Dominic, with wife, Molly, David Dominic with wife, Kitty, Dennis Dominic with wife, Bonnie, and Brian Dominic with

wife, Melissa. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews, and a very dear friend, Brenda Ramirez.



John L. Gasco, Jr., 72

John L. Gasco, Jr., 72, of Harbor Springs, MI, passed away March 2, 2021 at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, MI. Born in Harbor Springs, MI, on June 24, 1948, he was the son of John Sr. and Irene (McCary) Gasco. In 1968, John graduated from Boyne Falls High School. He attended Boys Town in Omaha, NE. He was a proud member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. In his spare time, John enjoyed playing golf, flying, watching fast pitch softball, basketball, baseball and NASCAR and going to the casino. He is survived by his children, Julie Lent, of Boyne City, MI, Todd Gasco of Boyne City, MI; grandchildren, Jasmine, Mallory, Skyler, Levi and Lexi; great-granddaughter, Ava; brothers and sisters, Marcia Sutton of Harbor Springs, MI, Harry Gasco of Vancouver, WA, Allen Gasco of Elmira, MI, Deleta Smith of Harbor Springs, MI, Regina Bentley of Petoskey, MI, Bart Gasco of Boyne City, MI, Steve Gasco of Boyne City, MI, and Robert Taylor of Harbor Springs, MI. He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Irene, and stepfather, Roland Petoskey; sisters and brother, Norma Kolodgy, Alicia Carson and Joseph Gasco.



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