



# THE CAMP NEWS

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SERVING THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY & HV COMMUNITIES

## MESSAGE OF HOPE:

As the RSTHC Distributes the COVID-19 Vaccine



COVER PHOTO: RSTHC Health Human Services Grant Writer, Elvin Willie

*“People need to get vaccinated because they are risking their health and those around them, especially the elders and people with underlying health conditions.” - Elvin Willie*

*Photo Provided by Bucky Harjo*

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***Here's what RSIC's experts say...Continues on Page 4***

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\*Open to RSIC Tribal Members Only, During COVID-19.

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# Tribal Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2021 | 6PM

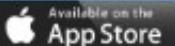


\*PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE READ BY CHAIRMAN INTO THE MINUTES.

Deadline to Submit is Wednesday, February 10th @ 12pm.

For Public Comment Form, Call Front Office at 775-329-2936

DOWNLOAD THE ZOOM APP



To Attend ZOOM Tribal Council Meetings or Questions,  
Contact Public Information Officer, Bethany Sam,  
at [bsam@rsic.org](mailto:bsam@rsic.org) or 775-842-2902

## Deadlines, Mailing List *The Camp News Profile*

Started in the early 1980s, *The Camp News* is the monthly publication for the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC) community. The newsletter is produced monthly out of the RSIC Public Relations Office, and duplicated and distributed by the RSIC Administration Front Office.

### SEND US YOUR NEWS

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### CONTACT OUR STAFF

E-mail your submissions to [bsam@rsic.org](mailto:bsam@rsic.org) or drop off your photos and suggested articles at 34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502.

### CIRCULATION

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### ELECTRONIC EDITION

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If you have questions, call us at 329-2936.

## Important February Dates

### DUE TO COVID-19

### ALL IN-PERSON EVENTS CANCELLED

### UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

#### Social Media / Virtual Events:

\*Sign up for RAVE Alerts to know when to tune in for Chairman Melendez's Facebook LIVE Updates on RSIC's Facebook Page.

Mondays:

Tuesdays:

Wednesdays:

-February 10th, Tribal Council General Virtual ZOOM Meeting at 6pm. Email [bsam@rsic.org](mailto:bsam@rsic.org) for Zoom link.

-RSIC Language & Culture Virtual Zoom Bead Session 6pm-8pm (Email Stacey Burns for Zoom ID and Passcode).

-Hungry Valley Alcohol Anonymous Virtual Zoom Meetings every Wednesday @ 6pm. More info, call 775-433-5327

Thursdays:

Fridays:

-February 26th, Food Bank at Hungry Valley Gym Parking Lot, 9am-10:30am.

Find the most up-to-date info on RSIC's Facebook.  
If you'd like to receive RAVE Alert text messages,  
call/text 775-842-2902 or [jcastillo@rsic.org](mailto:jcastillo@rsic.org).

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## **Message from Chairman Melendez:**

This past year, 2020, has been one of the most devastating and challenging year we have ever faced. Not a day has gone by that we hear of someone, a relative or friend, who has passed away or hospitalized due to the COVID-19 virus. In addition, others passed due health issues not related to COVID-19. And with limited services at many healthcare facilities, it makes taking care of yourself or family even more difficult.

With such a depressing news , we are all challenged with staying healthy mentally. As the negative news of increasing COVID-19 cases and the political turmoil in the country can be very depressing. Our BEST HOPE right now for this pandemic to end, is the COVID-19 Vaccine.

I know there has been some reluctance to take the vaccine,



*RSTHC Physician—Internal Medicine & Medical Director of RSIC's Emergency Management Unified Command.*

*Photo by Bucky Harjo*



*Chairman Melendez addresses the Media at ESTHC prior to RSTHC administering the Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine. Photo Provided by Bucky Harjo*

but considering how deadly the virus can be, also the new strains that are mutating and entering the U.S., and considering the high percentage rate of underlying health conditions in Native Americans, it is best that all receive the vaccine . We not only receive the vaccine for ourselves, but also to protect our community.

Again we cannot forget the teachings by our ancestors—for they too have survived many diseases and pandemics. Today, we have to continue to remind each other we are riding the COVID-19 Pandemic wave and it's not over until it's over. We are resilient and we will get through this together.

### **Here's what Dr. Gayathri Natarajan from RSTHC has to say...**

Dear RSTHC Community—As you are aware, we are all undergoing challenging times due to the COVID Pandemic that has

ravaged our community. Unfortunately it has infected many of our members, some of whom have succumbed to the deadly virus. We at RSTHC are working diligently to provide COVID care – both COVID testing and COVID vaccination, all while providing routine patient care and other services.

We request that you be patient with us while we systematically procure and vaccinate every member of our community in accordance to IHS/ CDC guidelines.

We encourage everyone to get vaccinated so that we not only protect ourselves, but also our family, friends and community including our vulnerable population. One finger cannot lift a pebble – Hopi.

WE as a community, with everyone's cooperation, diligence and understanding, CAN survive these challenging times and emerge as a greater community. I appreciate everyone for following the public health guidelines; wearing masks and physical distancing.

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## RSTHC COVID-19 Vaccine Info and Tips:

- ◆ There are 2 vaccine approved in the US for COVID-19 prevention: Pfizer and Moderna.
- ◆ They are equally effective.
- ◆ RSTHC receives limited number of vaccines every week. Presently, priority is given to healthcare workers, patients equal to or over the age of 65 years old and frontline employees. This information is based on current CDC Vaccine Priority Levels.
- ◆ Sign up for RAVE Alerts and we will text you when it's your turn to get vaccinated. To sign up for RAVE, email [bsam@rsic.org](mailto:bsam@rsic.org) or text/call 775-842-2902 or 775-329-2936.
- ◆ You CAN NOT get the COVID-19 infection from the COVID-19 Vaccine.
- ◆ Almost anyone can receive the vaccine and there are no many contraindications to receiving it.
- ◆ Each vaccine requires 2 doses. Both doses should be the same vaccine brand (Pfizer or Moderna) and from the same facility.
- ◆ Please do not receive any other vaccine(s) within 2 weeks prior to the first COVID-19 Vaccine through 2 weeks after the second COVID-19 Vaccine dose.
- ◆ You CAN receive the COVID-19 Vaccine even if you had the COVID-19 infection. Please wait till you are symptom free before receiving the vaccine.

- ◆ You are immunologically protected beginning 10 days after your 2nd dose of the COVID-19 Vaccine.
- ◆ The vaccine is 95% effective at preventing COVID-19 infection and there is a 5% chance of getting COVID-19 infection despite having been vaccinated.
- ◆ Most Common side effects are injection site pain, swelling, or fatigue that may last for a couple days.
- ◆ Currently, there is no scientific data available regarding duration of immunity from the vaccine (Pfizer or Moderna).
- ◆ The vaccine is only 95% effective so YOU MUST continue mask wearing and social distancing until further information is available.
- ◆ Wearing a mas and maintaining social distance WILL also protect you from new strains as they emerge.
- ◆ Currently identified new strains are not known to cause an even more severe illness despite having the recognition of being more contagious.
- ◆ As seen with the Flu Virus, mutations may occur and yield newer viral strains. New vaccines may become available if needed.
- ◆ The current COVID-19 Vaccine protects against the new known strains (England and South African).

### Why RSIC Tribal Leaders are urging you to get the vaccine when it's your turn:

A survey of 1,435 Native Americans across the country spearheaded by Abigail Echo-Hawk, director of Urban Indian Health

Institute, in November revealed that 75 percent would be willing to be vaccinated, not because they suddenly trust Uncle Sam, but because they put the "we" ahead of the "me."

Tribal Council Treasurer, Robin M. Eagle states, "Vaccinations can mean the difference between life and death. When you get sick, your children and parents are at risk too!! When you turn down the COVID-19 Vaccine, you leave yourself vulnerable to the illness. You also put our most cherished population, infants and elders, at a higher risk. We must do our part to protect our generations."

Tribal Council Member, Toby Stump encourages ALL to get vaccinated. "When we lose an elder or anyone in our community, we lose a piece of our history, language and culture. With COVID-19 enhancing the deaths in our community, we have a greater responsibility to protect our people, especially our vulnerable population, and preserve our cultural ways. The COVID-19 Vaccine gives us a better opportunity to protect our people. Getting the vaccine is not only for ourselves, but for our loved ones and our native people."

Tribal Council Member, Tony Abbie says, "First of all, I would like our community to get back to normal. I feel we should be vaccinated to ensure our own safety (family and nucleus family) and the safety of all our community. We have survived over 500 years and have adjusted to various diseases and tribulations. We will get through COVID-19 just like our ancestors did."

Feel free to contact the RSTHC if you have any questions or concerns about the COVID-19 Vaccine at 775-329-5162.



# 12-Step/Medicine Wheel

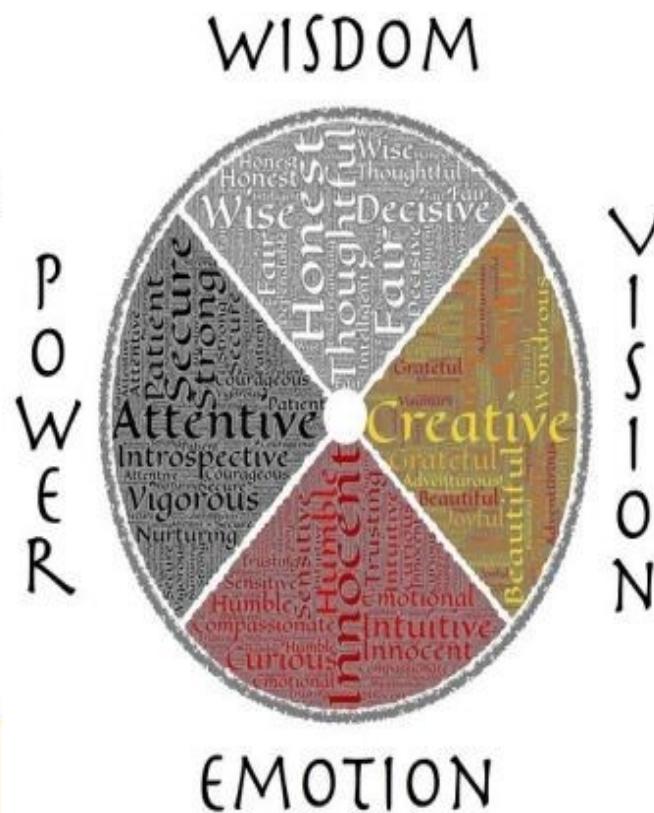
16-week course for adolescents focused on the emotional, mental, physical and spiritual foundations and cultural situations, including intergenerational trauma, that cause young people to begin using drugs and/or alcohol in the first place. AGES 12+ HIGHLY ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

Beginning: Weds, Feb. 10, 2021

Ending: Weds, May 19, 2021

5:00-7:00pm

Nevada Urban Indians, INC.  
SASP Program



To register, contact  
Katrina Miner, SASP Coordinator  
P: 775-788-7600 ext. 126  
E: [kminer@nvui.org](mailto:kminer@nvui.org)

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*To enhance the well-being of American Indians and Alaskan Natives, and other underserved members of the community through health care, social services, cultural awareness, and education.*



## RENO-SPARKS TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER

**NEW 2021 HOURS**

*\*Now  
Accepting  
New  
Patients!*



### RENO LOCATION

**\* PATIENT CARE / PHARMACY \***

**MON-FRI 8AM -5PM**

**\* WALK-INS \***

**MON-FRI 8AM-11:30AM**

**\* COVID-19 TESTING \***

**MON-FRI 8:30AM -11:30AM**

**\* VACCINE ADMINISTRATION BY APPOINTMENT ONLY \***

**MON-FRI 2:00PM -4:30PM**

**GENERAL INFO: 775-329-5162**

**NURSE LINE: 775-334-4319**

**CONTACT INVESTIGATOR: EXT. 7947**

**APPOINTMENT / WALK-IN SCREENING LINE: 775-334-4523**

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### HUNGRY VALLEY LOCATION

**COVID-19 TESTING**

**& NON-EMERGENT PATIENT CARE**

**MON-FRI 8AM -5PM**

**GENERAL INFO: 775-785-1304**

**\*STAY SAFE\* WEAR YOUR MASK\* WASH YOUR HANDS\* KEEP YOUR DISTANCE\***

**WWW.RSIC.ORG**



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## **VIRTUAL TOWN HALL PRESENTATION**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH  
@ 7PM**

**TOPIC: HIGHER EDUCATION**

**TUNE INTO THE RSIC FACEBOOK PAGE FOR A LIVESTREAM  
ZOOM PRESENTATION.**

**CONTACT INFO: PAM ABERCROMBIE (775)  
399-2674**





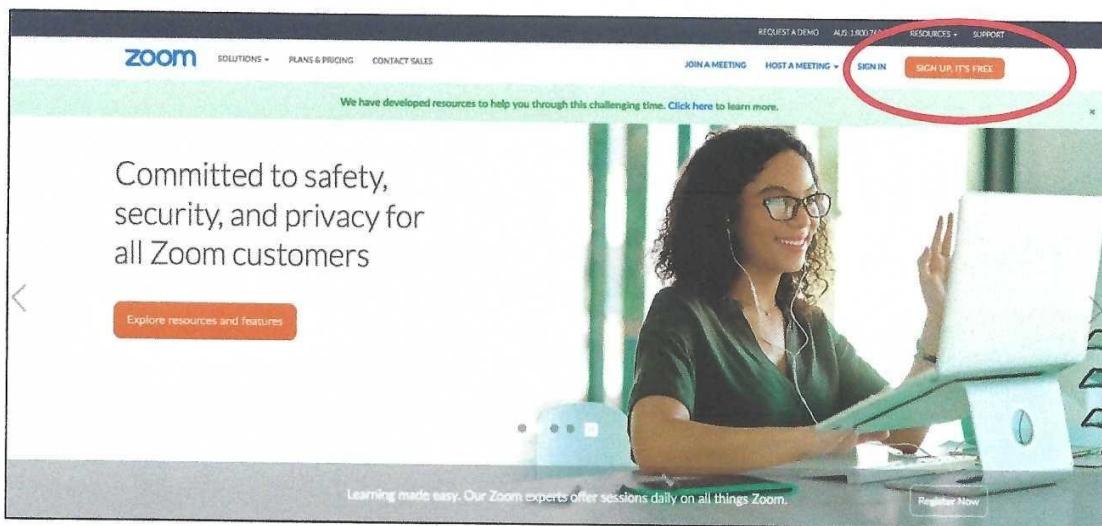
## *Education Staff*

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<i>Lynette Sam</i>	775-224-2206
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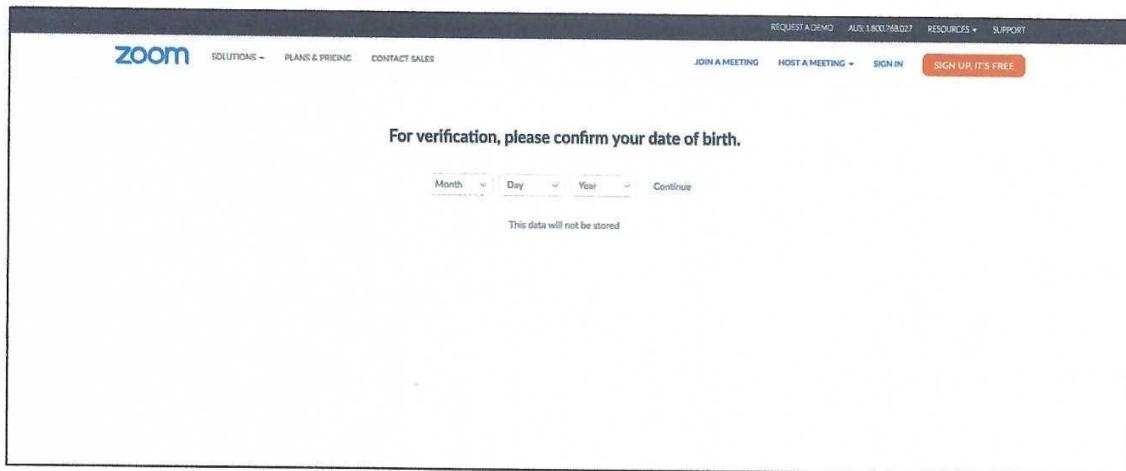
# How to Download Zoom

**Step 1:** You can download the free version of Zoom here: <https://zoom.us/>

**Step 2:** Click on the 'Sign up it's free' button in the top right hand corner

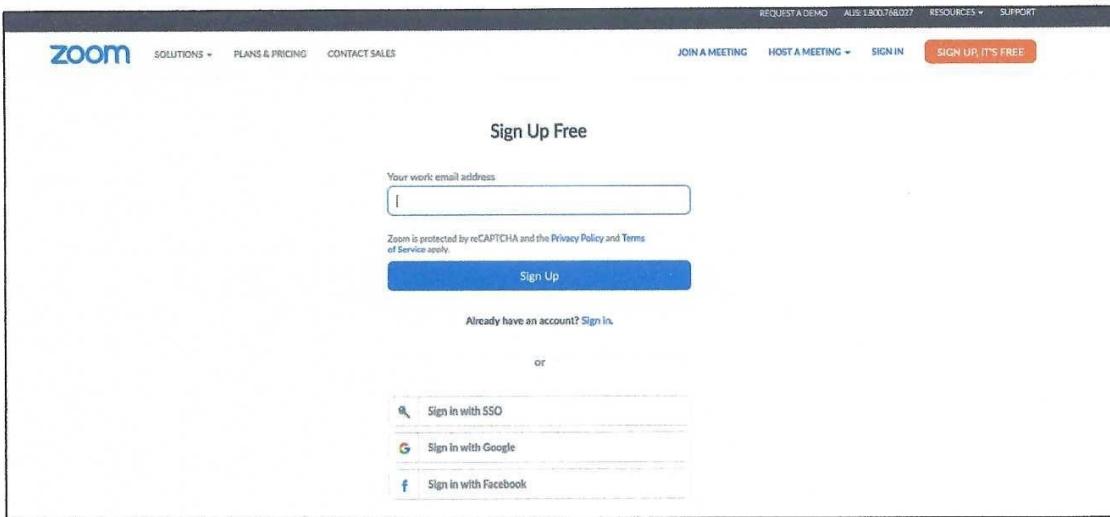


**Step 3:** Enter your date of birth and click 'Continue'

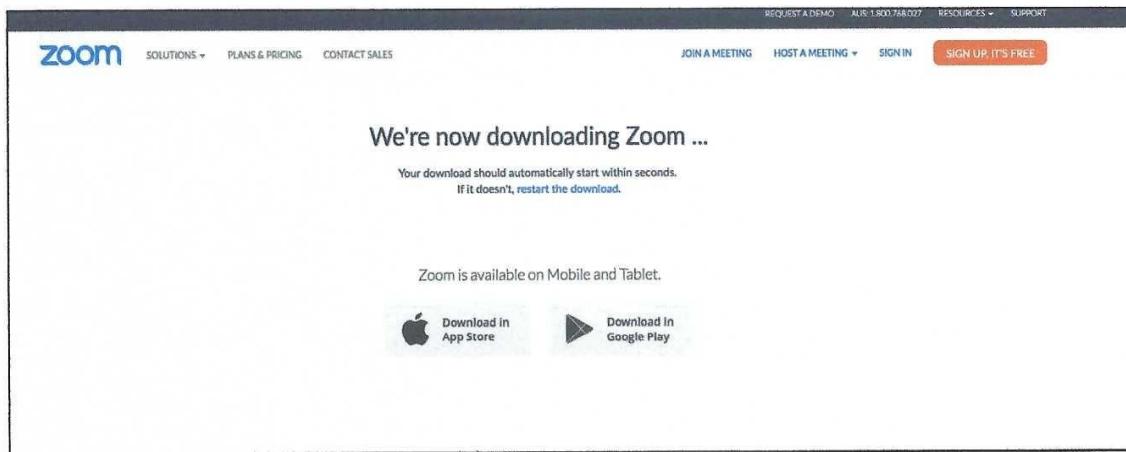


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**Step 4:** Enter your email address and click 'Sign up'



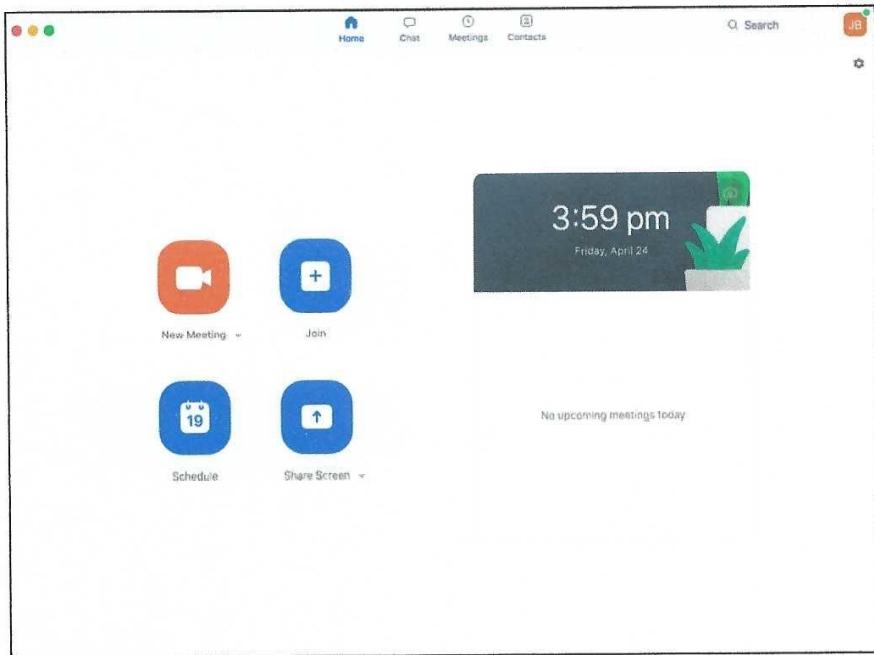
**Step 5:** You will then be prompted to download zoom on your computer.



**Step 6:** Once downloaded, follow the prompts to install zoom.

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**Step 7:** Once installed, you will be able to access and use the zoom platform on your computer.





## RSTHC Behavioral Health Department



*Harnessing the Power  
to Change*  
Providing Outpatient  
Drug, Alcohol, and  
Mental Health  
Treatment for  
Individuals & Families

Our Behavioral Health Team includes licensed clinical psychologists, licensed alcohol and drug counselors, licensed marriage and family therapists, as well as case management staff, prevention outreach staff that utilizes grant funding to promote the awareness and prevention of suicide and drug use, and scheduling staff. Clinical psychology is often confused with the field of psychiatry. Both fields are involved in diagnosing and treating mental disorders; however, the roles of clinical psychologists and psychiatrists are different. Clinical psychologists hold a doctoral degree in psychology and provide a wide variety of mental health services including psychological evaluations, psychotherapy and consultative services.

Psychiatrists hold a medical degree and can prescribe medication as a form of treatment. A psychiatrist is a physician who specializes in the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of mental health conditions.

1715 Kuenzli Street  
Reno, NV 89502  
(775) 329-5162  
Behavioral Health Scheduler Ext. 2014

### BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES:

- Counseling
- Consultation
- Evaluation
- Individual Counseling
- Grief Counseling
- Family Counseling
- Anxiety Management
- Stress Management
- Anger Management

### Groups Offered:

- Anger Management
- Domestic Violence Intervention
- Family Issues
- Prevention Activities



### ALCOHOL & DRUG SERVICES:

- Consultation
- Screening
- Evaluation
- Relapse Prevention
- Trigger Management
- Referral to in-house or off-site programs based on clients assessed needs & eligibility

### Groups Offered:

- Mental Health Wellness
- Art & Spirituality
- Red Road to Wellbriety
- DUI- Level II, II-X, & III

If you have questions please give us a call. Our services sometimes change based on the needs of the community.

We look forward to serving you.

## What To Do If You Think

**You Have Symptoms**

*or*

**Have Been in Close Contact with Persons  
Suspect, or Confirmed to have COVID-19:**

**#1 - Call RSTHC Nurse Call Line,**

**8am-1pm at 775-334-4319.**

**#2 - After Hours: Call Washoe County  
Health District **775-328-2427****

**#3 – NV Health Response: **702-759-4636****

**#4 – CDC Hotline: **800-232-4636.****



## Symptoms of Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Know the symptoms of COVID-19, which can include the following:



Symptoms can range from mild to severe illness, and appear 2-14 days after you are exposed to the virus that causes COVID-19.

Seek medical care immediately if someone has emergency warning signs of COVID-19.

- Trouble breathing
- Persistent pain or pressure in the chest
- New confusion
- Inability to wake or stay awake
- Bluish lips or face

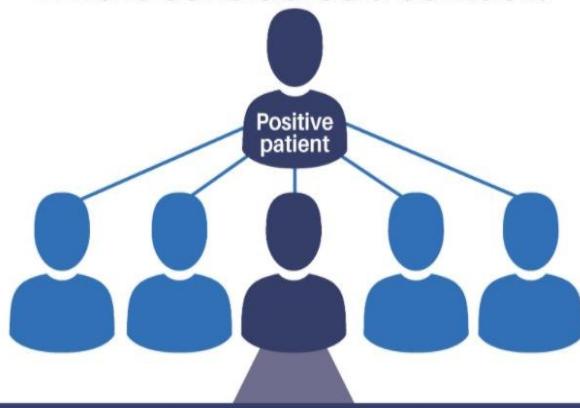
This list is not all possible symptoms. Please call your healthcare provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning to you.



[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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## Who is considered a contact?



Contact tracing focuses on close contacts who were:



With the patient while they were infectious.

6 ft.  
↔

Within 6 feet of the patient.



For more than 15 minutes.

Patients are considered infectious 48 hours before symptoms began or before the positive test was collected, if the person never developed symptoms.

## COVID-19 INCUBATION TIMELINE

COVID-19 has up to a 14 day incubation period.

KATE WAS EXPOSED TO COVID-19.

### DAY 0

Kate was exposed to COVID-19.

### DAY 10

Kate became symptomatic and tested positive.

### DAY 5

Kate got tested for COVID-19 and the results came back negative.

### DAY 8

Thinking she didn't have COVID-19, Kate went to work and a family gathering. She was contagious days 8 & 9 (48 hours before symptoms) and now exposed 22 people.



# Getting the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine

## What to Expect During & After Your Injection

### EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine has not been approved or licensed by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA), but has been authorized for emergency use by FDA, under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA), to prevent Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) for use in individuals 18 years of age and older. There is no FDA-approved vaccine to prevent COVID-19.

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

### Before you get the vaccine

Tell your vaccination provider if you:



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

For more information, visit [modernatx.com/covid19vaccine-eua/recipients/](https://modernatx.com/covid19vaccine-eua/recipients/)

### After you get the vaccine

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

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

Talk to your vaccination provider if you have side effects that bother you or do not go away.

**If you think you're having an allergic reaction to the vaccine, call 9-1-1.**

Signs of a severe allergic reaction can include: Difficulty breathing, swelling of your face and throat, a fast heartbeat, a bad rash all over your body, dizziness and weakness.

### A second dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is REQUIRED

Complete vaccination 1 month after your first dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine.

To help remember that appointment:

Immediately schedule your next appointment **after the first dose of your vaccine**



Ask for a **2nd Dose Reminder Card** to display prominently at home



**Set a reminder** on your mobile phone or calendar



**For more information, talk to your vaccination provider or call Moderna Customer Care at:  
1-866-MODERNA (1-866-663-3762)**

### What is the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is an unapproved vaccine that may prevent COVID-19. There is no FDA-approved vaccine to prevent COVID-19. The FDA has authorized the emergency use of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine to prevent COVID-19 in individuals 18 years of age and older under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA).

**Please see next page for additional Important Safety Information and Fact Sheet for Recipients and Caregivers beginning on page 3 of this document.**

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## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

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

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

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

### Who should not get the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

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

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

### How is the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine given?

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine will be given to you as an injection into the muscle. The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine vaccination series is 2 doses given 1 month apart. If you receive one dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine, you should receive a second dose of the same vaccine 1 month later to complete the vaccination series.

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

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

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

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

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

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

### What should I do about side effects?

If you experience a severe allergic reaction, call 9-1-1, or go to the nearest hospital.

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

Report vaccine side effects to **FDA/CDC Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS)**. The VAERS toll-free number is 1-800-822-7967 or report online to <https://vaers.hhs.gov/reportevent.html>. Please include "Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine EUA" in the first line of box #18 of the report form. In addition, you can also report side effects to ModernaTX, Inc. at 1-866-MODERNA (1-866-663-3762).

See Fact Sheet for Recipients and Caregivers beginning on page 3 of this document.

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# NDOT SBX RSIC 2020-21 CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES



## 2020 (DECEMBER)

- Utility work including trenching on the empty lot between Mill St. and Second St.
- Utility work on Second St. from Kietzke Ln. to Galletti Wy.
- Trenching and boring on residential properties, pending RSIC acceptance of the NV Energy contract.
- **Neighborhood wall construction:**
  - South of Second St. and west of Reservation Rd.
  - South of Second St., heading east to the southbound I-580 off-ramp.
  - North of Mill St. from Reservation Rd. east to the open property.
- Northbound I-580 paving reconstruction.
- Eastbound I-80 to northbound U.S. 395 bridge reconstruction.
- Eastbound I-80 to southbound I-580 ramp work.



## FIRST QUARTER 2021 (JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH)

- Utility upgrades (NV Energy, Charter Cable, and AT&T).
- Neighborhood wall construction: east side of the RSIC property next to the empty lot between Mill St. and Second St.
- Construction of southbound I-580 off-ramps at Second St. and Mill St.
- Northbound I-580 paving reconstruction estimated completion.
- Eastbound I-80 to northbound U.S. 395 bridge work.
- Retaining wall work on the west side of Mill St., at the corner of the southbound I-580 on-ramp, and north of Fourth St., next to the eastbound I-80 to southbound I-580 ramp.
- Southbound I-580 off-ramps at Second St. and Mill St. construction.



## SECOND QUARTER 2021 (APRIL, MAY, JUNE)

- Eastbound I-80 to northbound U.S. 395 bridge work.
- Neighborhood wall work expected to be complete.
- Retaining wall work (Mill St. to Second St., north of Second St., north of Truckee River, and north of Fourth St.), on southbound I-580.
- Late spring, traffic routed onto new off-ramps to Second St. and Mill St.
- Southbound I-580 traffic configuration change to move traffic to the eastbound lanes—to allow for demolition and reconstruction of the Truckee River and UPRR bridges.



## THIRD QUARTER 2021 (JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER)

- Southbound I-580 bridge work (UPRR, Truckee River, Second St. and Mill St.).
- Southbound I-580 retaining wall work (Mill St. to Second St., north of Second St., north of Truckee River, and north of Fourth St.).
- Southbound I-580 grading and paving.



## FOURTH QUARTER 2021 (OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER)

- New southbound I-580 bridges open to traffic.
- I-580 median reconstruction.

*Operations are anticipated and subject to change.*

TEXT: 797979 with "SBX" for project updates via text | FACEBOOK: [www.facebook.com/NevadaDOT](https://www.facebook.com/NevadaDOT) | HOTLINE: 775-636-4202  
EMAIL: [info@ndotspaghettibowl.com](mailto:info@ndotspaghettibowl.com) | WEBSITE: [ndotspaghettibowl.com](http://ndotspaghettibowl.com)



## **RSIC Planning Department Releases the *RSIC Web Map***

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Web mapping and the use of geographic information online have evolved rapidly over the past few decades. Almost everyone uses mapping information, whether one realizes it or not. RSIC has an opportunity to evolve with the technological trends in the usage of web mapping and geographic data into its operations, workflows, and web infrastructure. It will allow RSIC to provide and share public information of related to Tribal lands, infrastructure, and commercial properties.

GIS (Geographic Information System) web tools are used to make maps, analyze data, share, and collaborate, and that is the main goal of the *RSIC Web Map*. It was created using base layers to give context and relevant RSIC data for staff, Tribal members, and community in general. It provides the option to open it on a device (phones, tablets, laptops, or desktops) and if your device has GPS capability (i.e., smartphone), it will show your location on the map. This could be very beneficial for those who are not familiar with the evacuation routes or where the Colony's boundaries are located. The user can interact with the map in many ways: turn on/off layers to focus only on the ones that he is interested in, make measurements of distances, areas, and get coordinates of specific locations, draw lines, polygons, create annotations on the map, and export or print the map for their own reports, flyers, or events.

The new RSIC Web Map will be able to be accessed in two ways. The first is via the top of the RSIC web page ([www.rsic.org](http://www.rsic.org)). The second will be via scanning a QR code such as the to the right with your smartphone QR code reader. This will then pull the web map up on your browser and you will be ready to use the map! Any questions can be e-mailed to [gis@rsic.org](mailto:gis@rsic.org).



# ‘Tribes are hurting’: Senator Cortez Masto (D-Nevada)

*Speaks in support of increased COVID-19 relief and additional funding for tribal nations.*

Senate on Indian Affairs, Indianz.Com



[Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto](#) (D-Nevada) speaks in support of increased COVID-19 relief and additional funding for tribal nations on February 3, 2021.

“In Nevada and across the country, our tribes are hurting,” said Masto. “They are trying to do too much with far, far too little. Some of them are still under lockdown, desperate to protect elders — often the gatekeepers of rich Native languages and cultures — from the impact of the virus that they see is devastating their communities, and many are struggling to keep business doors open. All of them are stretched too thin.”

“Tribes were suffering from unstable funding streams and budget shortfalls even before the coronavirus pandemic affected their economies,” added Masto, who serves on the [Senate Committee on Indian Affairs](#).

“Now on shoestring budgets — with staffing levels that were insufficient even before the pandemic hit — they are trying to address the myriad urgent needs of their communities.”

This week, the [U.S. Senate](#) is taking up legislation to help implement [President Joe Biden’s so-called American Rescue Plan](#). According to Democrats, it [provides more than \\$28 billion in investments](#) for health care, education, housing and other programs serving Indian Country and Native communities.

“The federal government absolutely has to do more to support these efforts and uphold the federal trust responsibility. It can help tribes navigate the federal bureaucracy and ensure that funds allocated to tribal priorities actually get into the hands of those who need them,” said Masto.

# RSIC's February Directives/Memos



## RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY \* CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE

34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502  
Phone: (775) 329-2936 • Fax: (775) 954-9175

### DIRECTIVE TO RSIC FINANCE DEPT ON EXTENSION FOR FEBRUARY 2021 #10

**Issued:** January 29, 2021

**To:** Savita Shukla, CFO

**From:** Chairman Arlan D. Melendez and Tribal Council

**Re:** Extension of Management Plans for RSIC Finance Dept during COVID-19 Pandemic

**Directive:** On February 1, 2021 in an effort to curtail and limit RSIC Finance Department employees from public exposure of COVID-19. The Tribal Chairman's office with the consult of Tribal Council hereby issues the following directive to the RSIC Finance Department:

- A. RSIC Finance Front Window will continue to be CLOSED to the Public until further notice.
- B. ALL Payments for the following will be deferred or waived for 30 Days, including:
  - **Housing**
    - Rent Relief for Month of February 2021.
  - **Water Services**
    - No Charge for Month of February 2021. RSIC will waive all water charges for February.
  - **Disposal Services**
    - No Charge for 1st Quarter, RSIC will waive 1st Quarter charges.
  - **Loan Payments will be deferred for 30 days without penalty.**
- C. **RSIC is NOW accepting new Loan applications, if they qualify.**
- D. Tribal Council will revisit this directive as needed, due to the rapidly changing information of COVID-19.

Please contact the Tribal Chairman if you have questions regarding this Directive.

We deeply appreciate your compliance with this Directive and your understanding during these unprecedeted times.

Sincerely,

Tribal Chairman Arlan Melendez and Tribal Council Members

MEMORANDUM  
Chairman's Office

Date: February 3, 2021



TO: ALL RSIC Directors and Managers, All RSIC Employees, including RSTHC Director, All RSTHC Managers and All RSTHC Employees

FROM: *AM* Arlan D. Melendez, Chairman and Tribal Council

RE: Implementation of Phase 2 of the COVID-19 Return to Work Policies and Procedures

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This is to inform all RSIC and RSTHC Employees/Departments, Tribal Council has approved the implementation of Phase 2 of the COVID-19 Return to Work (RTW) Policies and Procedures.

PHASE 1 of the Return to Work (RTW) Policies have been implemented and in effect since August 6, 2020 (See RTW Policy, Appendix D). Accordingly, as of the date of this Memorandum, approximately thirty percent (30%) of all RSIC Essential Depts. have resumed work, some with altered duties, remote work and/or modified schedules.

Beginning tomorrow, February 4, 2021, Directors shall begin implementing PHASE 2 of the Return to Work (RTW) Policy. Full implementation of Phase 2 shall be completed not later than February 16, 2021. As of that date, Departments will bring not more than an additional thirty percent (30%) of their workforce, for the purpose of increasing operations and support activities of RSIC. Departments should enhance preparations in anticipation of return to full operations. All guidelines and requirements established for Phase 1 will continue to apply. (See page 2 of RTW Policy).

Directors have determined which employees will be returning to work in Phase 2. See attached graph for list of depts./employees returning to work in Phase 2.

Prior to returning to work, all Phase 2 employees must complete COVID-19 testing with negative results. Phase 2 employees will be scheduled for COVID-19 Testing at RSTHC, February 10<sup>th</sup> thru February 12<sup>th</sup>.

Phase 2 employees will return to work on February 16, 2021 at 8am. Employees

will also be required to complete a COVID-19 Awareness & RTW Policy Training at 1pm on February 16, 2021 with the RTW Group and COVID-19 Incident Commanders.

**PHASE 3 will be implemented on March 1, 2021.** At that time, the remaining RSIC workforce shall return to work. (See page 2 of the RTW Policy).

Prior to returning to work, all Phase 3 employees must complete COVID-19 testing with negative results. Phase 3 employees will be scheduled for COVID-19 Testing at RSTHC, February 24<sup>th</sup> thru February 26<sup>th</sup>.

Phase 3 employees will return to work on March 1, 2021 at 8am. Employees will also be required to complete a COVID-19 Awareness & RTW Policy Training at 1pm on March 1, 2021 with the RTW Group & COVID-19 Incident Commanders.

**REPURPOSED EMPLOYEES** will stay repurposed until further notice.

**ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE PAY** will end on February 16, 2021 for Phase 2 employees. Administrative leave pay will end on March 1, 2021 for Phase 3 employees.

**CHILDCARE ISSUES:** Employees who may have childcare challenges or need time to make special arrangements, please contact your Department Director.

**COVID-19 VACCINES** will be offered to all RSIC Staff.

**HAZARD PAY:** Beginning on February 16, 2021, Hazard Pay is discontinued for all RSIC employees except those who qualify for Hazard Pay reimbursement under FEMA 214 Guidelines.

For those employees who have been completing the FEMA 214 reimbursement form, you should continue to do so and your Hazard Pay will continue until further notice. All others will no longer receive Hazard Pay and should discontinue reporting any time that so indicates. If you have any question regarding your qualification for Hazard Pay beginning on February 16, 2021, please contact your Supervisor for clarification.

**TRAVEL BAN DISCONTINUED:** Beginning on February 1, 2021, the ban on travel for RSIC employees is lifted. Employees are advised to follow all CDC guidelines when traveling, and to be extremely cautious with regard to mode of travel and travel destinations. We ask that you avoid destinations that are known hotspots for COVID outbreaks. Furthermore, if you plan to travel out of State (except for destinations within a 100-mile radius), please advise your Supervisor of your intention and arrange for a COVID rapid test before you return to the workplace. Such test may be obtained at the RSIC Tribal Health Clinic.

# RSIC'S CARES FUNDING PROJECTS

## RSIC Treasury Projects

Department	Total Funded
<b>Public Information Officer Projects</b>	\$35,199
○ Social Media Moderator, Poster my wall subscription for Native American flyer creation and vehicle purchase	
<b>Human Resources Projects</b>	\$329,507
○ Hazard Pay for Essential Employees, Finger printing Machine and training	
<b>Info Technology Laptop Purchase</b>	\$570,728
○ Community & Staff laptops	
<b>Info Technology – Conduit Project</b>	\$177,463
▪ Install conduit between 34 Reservation and other departments	
<b>Info Technology – Bandwidth Project</b>	\$386,224
○ Increase Community bandwidth in Hungry Valley	
<b>Planning – Mural Project</b>	\$2,500
○ Mitigation mural created by Community Member	
<b>Tribal Court Project</b>	\$2,001
▪ Purchase wipe able chairs for Courtroom	
<b>Public Works – Project Manager</b>	\$25,725
○ Manager hired to manage Treasury Projects	
<b>Public Works – PPE Project</b>	\$213,243
○ Personal Protection for community distribution from stockpile	
<b>Public Works – HVAC improvements &amp; Touchless fixtures</b>	\$874,247
Various RSIC buildings received touchless fixtures & HVAC upgrades	
<b>Public Works – Vehicle purchases</b>	\$390,379
○ 2 Transit Vans, forklifts and refrigerated trucks	
<b>Seniors Project</b>	\$40,188
○ Senior delivery van	
<b>Human Services – COVID Assistance</b>	\$370,604
○ Hire Coordinator and provide assistance to COVID 19 positive members	
<b>Law Enforcement – Vehicle &amp; HV Substation</b>	\$374,034
○ 3 vehicle purchases, fully equipped, Modular for substation	
<b>Public Safety – Emergency Services</b>	\$211,484
○ Update RSIC Coop Plans, HV EOC Substation, Generators for Community and EOC vehicle, fully equipped	
<b>Law Enforcement – Access Control</b>	\$2,742,160
○ Silver State Contract	
<b>Public Safety – HV Fire</b>	\$212,373
○ Patrol Truck, Service Truck, Rescue Truck & Equipment for Fire Station	
<b>Education – Safety Precautions</b>	\$60,321
○ Office Equipment, Electrostatic sprayers, classroom flooring & storage	
<b>Education – Vehicle &amp; Student Assistance</b>	\$102,950
○ 2 vehicles and assist students with distance learning needs	
<b>Education – Childcare Modular</b>	\$285,047
○ 1 Modular for additional classroom to promote social distancing	
<b>Education – Unity Vehicles</b>	\$97,305
○ 2 Vans & Prius	
<b>Housing – Low Rent Unit Furnishing</b>	\$77,557
○ Furnishing low rental units fully equipment for quarantine homes	

Total to date spent as of January 21, 2021

\$ 7,581,239

# ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS EVERY WEDNESDAY



@ 6:30PM

NORTHERN  
NEVADA  
INTERGROUP  
(NNIG)



## HUNGRY VALLEY AA ZOOM MEETING

TO JOIN VIA PHONE, CALL **699.900.6833**



**ZOOM**

**MEETING ID:**

**832.373.1135**

**Password: JA2S82**

**We hope you log on! Going strong during COVID-19!  
Practicing Social Distancing by Going Virtual!**

**for more info: 775.433.5327**

# Biden: ‘Tribal sovereignty will be a cornerstone’

*Biden Administration has made several actions in the first week concerning tribal nations.*

*By Jourdan Bennett-Begaye, Indian Country Today*

The third of four executive orders signed by President Joe Biden on Tuesday focuses on strengthening the nation-to-nation relationships with tribes. It's only one presidential action of many taken by the administration in week one.

Biden signed a [presidential memorandum](#) that requires all federal agencies and executive departments to have a “strong process in place for tribal consultation,” said Libby Washburn, Chickasaw and the newly appointed special assistant to the president for Native American Affairs for the White House Domestic Policy Council. The position previously was held by [Kim Teehee](#), Cherokee, and Jodi Archambault, Hunkpapa and Oglala Lakota, in the Obama Administration.

The move represents the new president “committing to regular, meaningful robust consultation with tribal leaders” and it requires all federal agencies and executive departments to have a “strong process in place for tribal consultation,” Washburn said.

Biden gave [remarks](#) on his racial equity plan, which includes the signed tribal consultation memorandum, from the White House State Dining Room.

“Today I’m directing the federal agency to reinvigorate the consultation process with Indian tribes,” Biden said, noting respect for sovereignty “will be

a cornerstone of our engaging with Native American communities.”

Washburn said previous presidents like Barack Obama and Bill Clinton have done this.

So what makes this one different?

It enforces a [previous tribal consultation executive order](#) signed on Nov. 6, 2000.

This time around the executive order requires the head of each agency to submit, within 90 days, a memorandum with a detailed plan of action on how they will implement policies and directives, Washburn said. Agencies must listen to what tribes want.

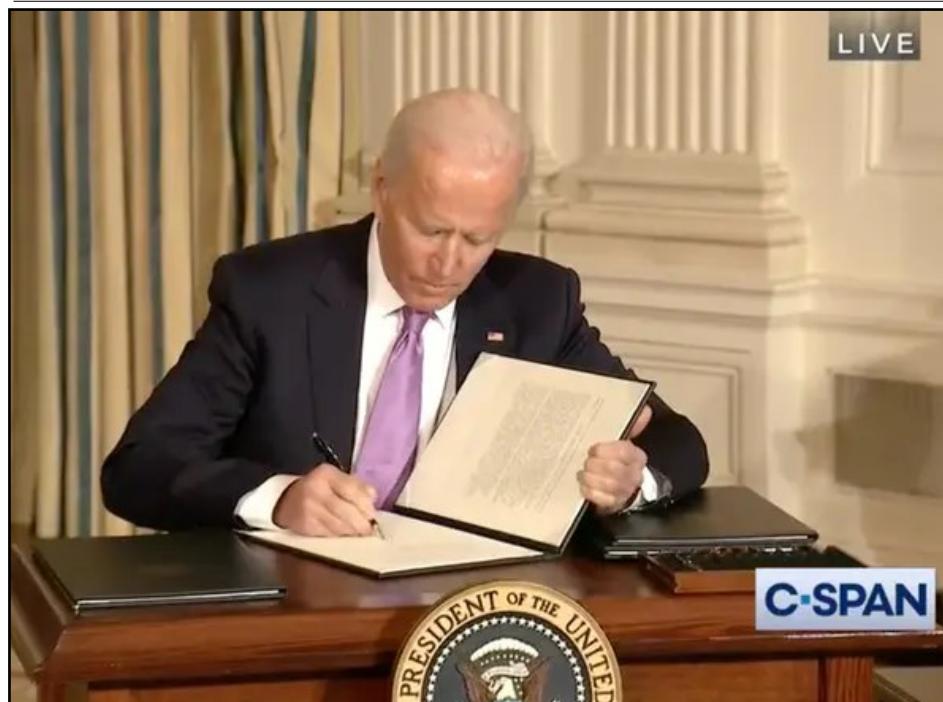
These federal agencies and executive departments will have to continuously keep the White House updated, she said.

Tribal consultation is also crucial when it comes to the pandemic.

“This builds on the work we did last week to expand tribes’ access to the Strategic National Stockpile for the first time, to ensure they receive help from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, FEMA, to fight this pandemic,” Biden stated Tuesday.

On Jan. 21, Biden announced that FEMA would make financial assistance available to tribal governments at 100 percent

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*President Joe Biden signed the executive order, “a memorandum for the executive departments and agencies, tribal consultation and nation relationships” on Jan. 26. (Screenshot)*

of the federal cost share.

When the COVID-19 pandemic was declared a national emergency, it activated eligible tribal, state and local governments to access FEMA emergency funding, Washburn said. The federal cost share was 75 percent, and tribes were responsible for 25 percent of the cost.

"It has been something the tribes have been asking for, for a long time, and there has been legislation pending in the House and Senate on it," Washburn said.

The funding can be used for safe openings, operations of schools, childcare facilities, health care facilities, shelters, transit systems, and more.

Another ask by the tribes: access to the Strategic National Stockpile. And granted by the administration on Jan. 21.

The public health supply chain [executive order](#) states that the "Secretary of Health and Human Services shall consult with Tribal authorities and take steps, as appropriate and consistent with applicable law, to facilitate access to the Strategic National Stockpile for federally recognized Tribal governments, Indian Health Service healthcare providers, Tribal health authorities, and Urban Indian Organizations."

Fawn Sharp, Quinault, president of the National Congress of American Indians, said the administration's first week demonstrated that the needs of tribal nations are a priority.

"I am both excited and encouraged that the Biden Administration is taking so many meaningful and significant steps towards Tribal Nations' priority issues -- respect for sovereignty, racial equity, urgent action on climate change, protection of sacred sites and ancestral ecosystems, and the commitment to meaningful Tribal consultation," she said. "There's immense work still to be done, but we celebrate that the first steps President Biden has taken towards truth and reconciliation with Tribal Nations are so responsive to our needs and aligned with our values and principles."

Since Day One, the Biden administration has gone full speed on taking presidential actions that affect tribal nations.

Hours after taking his oath, Biden [revoked the permit](#) for the [Keystone XL pipeline](#), placed a temporary moratorium on all oil and gas activities in the [Arctic National Wildlife Refuge](#), and signed another [executive order](#) on "advancing racial equity and support for underserved communities through the federal government."

"I think it's exciting and it shows that things are going to be front and center for him and his entire administration," Washburn said, adding that includes hiring more Native people across the board.

In addition to New Mexico Rep. Deb Haaland's nomination for Interior secretary, Washburn said, "President Biden, he promised during the

campaign that tribes would have a seat at the table at the highest levels of federal government and a voice throughout the government, and I think that he's really showing in the early beginning days of his administration that he is going to make sure that happens."

And down to what is in the Oval Office. Washburn pointed out that a painting of Andrew Jackson, a strong proponent of Indian removal, was removed from the Oval Office. The "Swift Messenger" sculpture by Allan Houser, Chiricahua Apache, now sits on a bookcase, reported the [Albuquerque Journal](#).

As for land acknowledgements, that's an ongoing conversation.

"It is something that we are talking about, so I think we will talk about it and really, I'd like to talk to Deb Haaland about it as well, and once she's confirmed it's something that I think will become a focus," Washburn said.

This story has been corrected to show Tuesday, Jan. 26 was the day the executive order was signed.

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*Bennett-Begaye's Grey's Anatomy obsession started while attending the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications.*



IN HONOR OF AMERICAN HEART MONTH:

## VIRTUAL HEART TO HEART TALKING CIRCLE

February 22nd, 2021 from 5:15 pm - 6:15 pm  
Presentation will be done via ZOOM

For more information or to sign up, please contact  
Kristie Messerli, Dietitian or Gina  
Featherstone, Health Educator @ 329-5162

## MANDALA CONTEST

7-8th Grade Category & 9-12th Grade Category

Mandalas can be found in different places of Native Culture: medicine wheel, dream catchers, bead work patterns, and sandpaintings. The meaning of mandala in Sanskrit is circle. The idea is that life is never ending and everything is connected. The creation and reflection of a mandala is to center your body and mind.

1. Create your own original mandala
2. Submit original artwork to:  
Behavioral Health Department  
1715 Kuenzli Street  
Reno, NV 89502  
or to [vwilliams@rsicclinic.org](mailto:vwilliams@rsicclinic.org)
3. Deadline February 22, 2021
4. Must be: RSIC enrolled member, RSIC community member, or RSTHC patient
5. Behavioral Health Providers will blind judge the entries based on creativity
6. Release will be available to those who are willing to have their art used for a community coloring book.

CONTEST SPONSORED BY  
METHAMPHETAMINE SUICIDE PREVENTION INITIATIVE  
Reno Sparks Tribal Health Center  
Behavioral Health Department  
(774) 329-5162 ext 2014

## Heart Healthy ✨ QUARANTINE RECIPE CONTEST



In conjunction with American Heart Month, Behavioral Health & Diabetes will be sponsoring an adult recipe contest. Send us your best heart healthy quarantine recipe by February 22, 2021

1. One entry per person
2. Share photo, recipe, and explanation of HOW you made it heart healthy or WHY it is heart healthy to: [kmesserli@rsicclinic.org](mailto:kmesserli@rsicclinic.org) or [vwilliams@rsicclinic.org](mailto:vwilliams@rsicclinic.org)
3. Must be RSIC enrolled member, RSIC community member, or RSTHC patient
4. RSTHC staff will blind judge the entries based on creativity and explanation of HOW you made it heart healthy or WHY the recipe is heart healthy
5. Winners will be announced on February 26, 2021

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RSTHC DIABETES PROGRAM

Questions?  
(775) 329-5162  
ext 2009 or 1943



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Suicide  
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## KIDS SENORY BAG CONTEST

### CONTEST CRITERIA:

1. FAMILIES ENCOURAGED TO HELP
2. OPEN TO ALL RENO-SPARKS TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER PATIENTS
3. OPEN TO ALL RSIC ENROLLED MEMBERS
4. OPEN TO ALL RSIC COMMUNITY MEMBERS
5. BLIND JUDGING WILL BE DONE BY BH PROVIDERS

K-3RD GRADE & 4TH-6TH GRADE CATEGORIES

1ST, 2ND, & 3RD PLACE

ENTRY DEADLINE:  
FEBRUARY 22, 2021

SEND PHOTO AND LIST OF CONTENTS TO:  
[VWILLIAMS@RSICCLINIC.ORG](mailto:vwilliams@rsicclinic.org)



Thank you



Reno Sparks Indian Colony would like to express our most sincere appreciation to all those who worked wonders to keep our community healthy, safe and moving in a positive direction during these trying times this past year. Thank for all your hard work and dedicaton.



Tribal Council  
Chairman's Office  
Tribal Court  
Education  
Economic Development  
Emergency Services  
Finance  
Front Office  
Housing  
Human Resources  
Covid-19 Stock Pile  
UNITY  
COVID-19 Volunteers

Tribal Health Center  
Human Services  
IT  
Legal  
Planning  
Police  
Public Works  
Real Estate  
Seniors Program  
Smoke Shops  
TA Office  
All Repurposed  
Employee's

# Photo Collage of RSIC During COVID-19

*Photos provided by Bucky Harjo and Bethany Sam*



**Top Photo:** 580 closure at Mill St. bridge demolition.

**All other Photos:** UNITY group helping with Food Pantry.

**Bottom Photo:** Mtn. range north of Hungry Valley morning after huge snow storm.



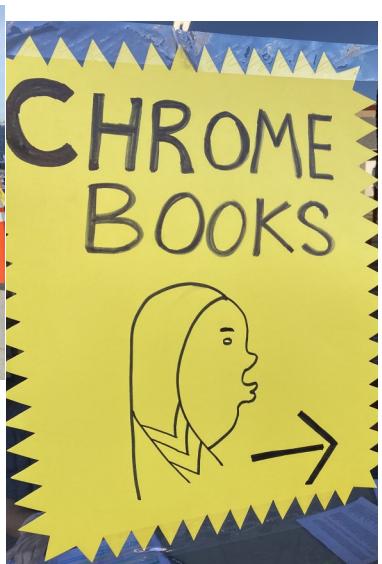
**Top Photo:** SBX Community wall on Mill St.  
**Bottom Photo:** HV Fire Crew, Lance and Donovan, assisting with food pantry..





Food distribution at Food Bank on 1/22/21 HV.

Employees at RSTHC Go Red for Heart Health on February 5, 2021.

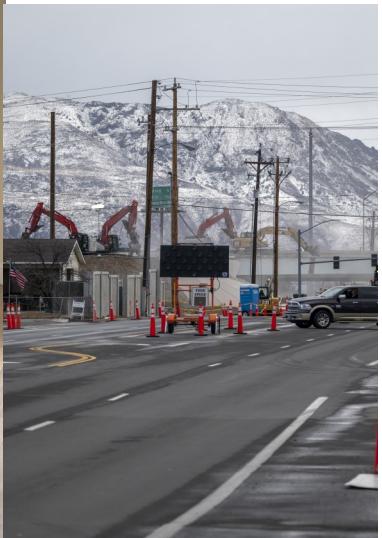


*Above Photo:* Tribal Members picking up their Chromebooks approved through the CARES Funding.  
*Top Left Photo:* RSIC Unified Command safely meet in-person & virtually on COVID-19 mitigation efforts.  
*Left Photos:* Chromebooks arrive for community distribution. Education Dept. delivers to school aged kids.  
*Bottom Photo:* B. Thayer gives interview for Native American Women Veterans "I am not invisible" campaign by Department of Veterans Affairs.



*Above Photo:* Stockpile Employee, Brendan Abel's sign for Chromebook Distribution.

*Bottom Photos:* SBX Mill St. closure for bridge demolition.



# RSIC Legal Notices, Public Announcements

*Advisory committee spots open, address update form, name changes, grant expires*

**IN THE RENO-SPARKS TRIBAL COURT  
IN AND FOR THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY  
RENO, WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

Notice is hereby given that the Petitioner, Kayla Maria Talancon-Yazzie, who is a member of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, has filed a Petition in the Reno-Sparks Tribal Court, Case No. CV-NC-2020-0027, praying that said Court enter an Order changing the present legal name of Kayla Maria Talancon-Yazzie to the name of Kayla Maria Talancon, which is the name Petitioner desires to have.

Notice is hereby given that any person having objection to the aforesaid change of name shall file written objection, showing cause why the Petition should not be granted, with the Reno-Sparks Tribal Court, 1900 Prosperity Street, Reno, NV 89502, within ten (10) days after publication of this notice.

Dated this 22nd day of December, 2020.

/S/  
Jeraldine Magee, Court Administrator  
Reno-Sparks Tribal Court

**IN THE RENO-SPARKS TRIBAL COURT  
IN AND FOR THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY  
RENO, WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

Notice is hereby given that the Petitioner, Victor Melendez Montelongo, who is a member of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, has filed a Petition in the Reno-Sparks Tribal Court, Case No. CV-NC-2020-0008, praying that said Court enter an Order changing the present legal name of Victor Melendez Montelongo, to the name of Victor Manuel Montelongo Melendez, which is the name Petitioner desires to have.

Notice is hereby given that any person having objection to the aforesaid change of name shall file written objection, showing cause why the Petition should not be granted, with the Reno-Sparks Tribal Court, 1900 Prosperity Street, Reno, NV 89502, within ten (10) days after publication of this notice.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

/S/  
Jeraldine Magee, Court Administrator  
Reno-Sparks Tribal Court

## **RECRUITMENT FOR ELECTION BOARD MEMBERS**

### **Notice to Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Enrolled Members**

**An Election Board consisting of five (5) members and two (2) alternates shall be appointed within six (6) months before the Tribal Election and the terms of office for these officials shall be for two (2) years. The Election Board members shall be compensated at a rate prescribed by the Tribal Council.**

**The Standing Rules for Committees and Advisory Boards of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony were revised and adopted by the Tribal Council on 10-31-2012, Resolution No. 2012-RS-53. Rule No. 8, states – Each person appointed as a member of a committee or advisory board shall not sit on more than two committees or advisory boards at a time; this is combined, meaning that if a person sits on a committee and an advisory board, that person has reached the limit under this rule. The only exception is if a person sits on an intermittent board, such as the Election Board; in that instance the person is subject to the limit of this provision but can sit as a member on one intermittent committee or advisory Board. A person can only serve as the Chair of one committee or advisory board at a time, including an intermittent committee or advisory board.**

**The 2021 Tribal Election will be automated. Training will be provided to the Election Board by Automated Election Services. The training will include use of the ballots, voting tabulators, voting booths, and the AutoVote Management System. The automated voting process will allow for the 2021 Tribal Election results to be available within 10 minutes after all ballots are cast and the polling sites, at Reno-Sparks Indian Colony and Hungry Valley, are closed.**

**Any Interested RSIC Enrolled Member may submit their signed letter of interest to Angie Wilson, Tribal Administrator at 34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV. No emails will be accepted.**

**v/01-2021**



**FOOD BANK**  
OF NORTHERN NEVADA

**VISIT THE  
FOOD BANK OF NORTHERN  
NEVADA'S MOBILE HARVEST  
IN HUNGRY VALLEY**

**WHEN:**  
**FRIDAY 2/26  
9-10:30AM**

**WHERE:**  
**HV GYM PARKING LOT**

**LIMIT ONE DISTRIBUTION PER WEEK**

**Drive  
Through  
Until  
Further  
Notice**

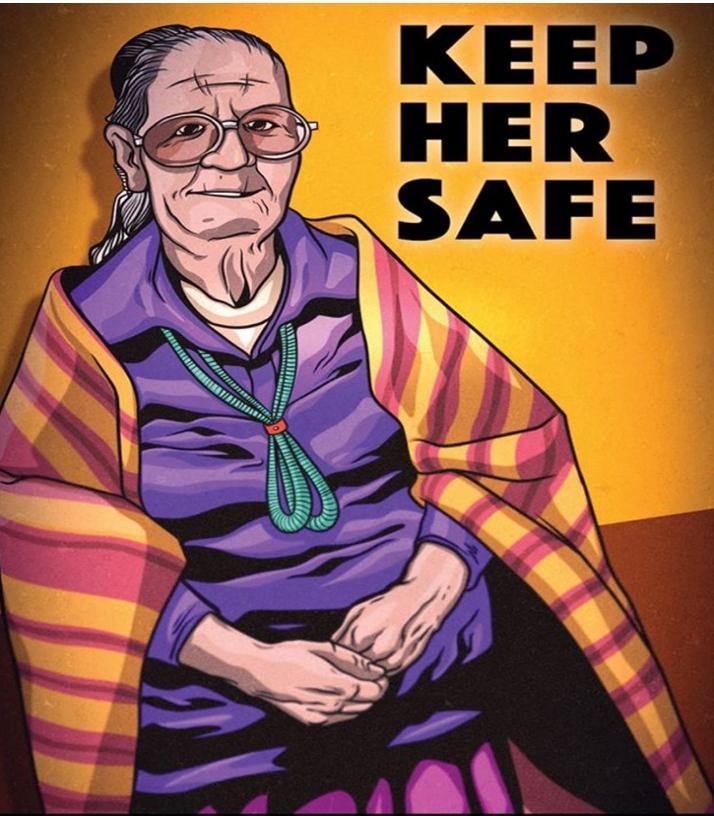
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for info  
required for a  
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**Tribal  
Members,  
Residents,  
Employees  
Only**









**PROTECT YOUR ELDERS  
AS THEY'VE PROTECTED YOU**  
*wash hands - physical distance - be safe*

Concept by Native Realities [www.nativerealities.com](http://www.nativerealities.com)  
art by Dale Deforest - [daledeforest.com](http://daledeforest.com)

**Need Help?  
You are not alone**

**Call or Text**



**• Mobile Crisis Response Team- 775-688-1670**  
**• Crisis Support Services of NV- 800-273-8255**  
**• Text: LISTEN to 839863**  
**• Suicide Prevention Hotline- 800-273-TALK**  
**• SafeVoice- 833-216-SAFE (7233)**  
[www.safevoicenv.org](http://www.safevoicenv.org)  
**• Reno Behavioral Healthcare Hospital- 775-393-2200**  
**• West Hills Hospital- 775-323-0478**  
**• Renown Hospital- 775-982-4100**  
**• St. Mary's Hospital- 775-770-3000**  
**• Northern Nevada Medical Center- 775-331-7000**

**Pause and remember, there is...  
always hope...**

**RED & GREEN**  
**COVID-19 CARDS**

The RED and GREEN cards are to help RSIC identify if your household needs assistance during COVID-19 Home Sheltering.

***The GREEN CARD***  
*Is to identify your household is good. You don't need any assistance.*

***The RED CARD***  
*Is to identify your household needs assistance  
(food, personal hygiene, cleaning supplies, masks, medication, transport to RSTHC)*

**\*Place the color of card you feel fits best for your household in the front window of your home/apartment.**

\*We ask you be a good neighbor and report any household(s) with a Red Card in window.  
\*Tribal Police, Hungry Valley Fire, and RSTHC CHR's are also patrolling for Red Cards.

**Need Immediate Assistance, Please Send a Text or Call Anytime to:**

**Public Information Officer, Bethany Sam 775-842-2902**  
**Tribal Police Chief Michael Ford 775-530-1173**  
**Emergency Manager, Danny Thayer 775-232-8116**  
**COVID-19 Case Manager, Griselda Maya 775-560-9041**




# ATTENTION RSIC SENIORS & RESIDENTS (55+ YEARS)

RSIC Senior Staff is in the process of updating client files. Our program updates information every year, due to grant requirements the Senior Program must have a complete application on file. RSIC members and residents are eligible to enroll in the program. You may be eligible to enroll if you are under 55 with medical or other concerns.

Senior Program staff is committed to prove a comprehensive nutrition and social activities program that will ensure program compliance with grant requirements. In order to meet this goal, procedures must be followed which include maintaining valid client file content.

Our Senior Program provides Food Pantry bags, Farmer's Market, Food Bank Delivery, Respite Caregiver supplies and other program services to RSIC and community. Due to the Pandemic, the Congregate Meal site is closed. Activities are also limited or cancelled until further notice.

## ***We will need the following documents for your client file:***

- Driver's License or State ID
- Tribal Enrollment Card (RSIC or other Tribal enrollment card)
- Income Verification for 2021. This includes all types of earnings. (Optional) Some agencies require proof of income to participate.

## ***Meal Delivery Clients:***

During the COVID-19 Pandemic, we have adjusted the meal delivery service. Meals delivery is 3 days a week (Mon-Wed). You must be home to receive your meal. Due to concerns about how long the meals remain outside, staff will return and retrieve any meals not picked up. This ensures the meals are within safe temperature guidelines.

If you have questions or for more info,  
please call the Senior Center-775-785-1343.

Darlene Gardipe  
Senior Program Manager

# Remembering Our Loved Ones

For those loved ones whom we have lost during this past year, we would like to honor and remember each of our loved ones in a special issue.

Please send photos and a  
250 word paragraph to share

Submit by Feb 15, 2021  
Publish Date March 5, 2021



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