



# THE CAMP NEWS

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SERVING THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY & HV COMMUNITIES

## Leads a Legacy for Generational Sustainability for All Nevada Tribal Health Clinics



(Reno, NV) - Over this year the Reno Sparks Indian Colony has led the charge in advocating to Nevada Department of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP), otherwise known as Nevada Medicaid, to expand tribal pharmacy reimbursement allowance due to the rising costs of pharmaceuticals.

This has been a key initiative lead by Angie Wilson, Reno Sparks Tribal Health Center Director. Nevada tribal health clinics have only been allowed to bill up to five (5) billing encounters per day which includes

one (1) encounter for Pharmacy regardless of the amount of medications being dispensed per day. If a patient picked up one medication or twenty (20) medications, tribal clinics were only allowed to bill for one pharmacy encounter.

Tribal clinics are able to bill at what is known as the "All Inclusive Rate" as established in the Federal Register each year. Currently the rate is \$719 per encounter. However, some injectables cost over \$1000, so advocating for pharmacy billing expansion is imperative.

Director Wilson began to coordinate data from every State on the allowable pharmacy billing allowance for Tribes. She began to gather other State Plan Amendments (SPA) such as the Oregon SPA submitted in 2017 and approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Region 10.

Director Wilson has strongly advocated that the Nevada Tribal Pharmacies should be able to bill one encounter for each individual medication, without limitation and regardless if tribes procure their medications

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# RSIC TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS



TRIBAL  
COUNCIL  
MEETINGS

## General Council Meetings

Wednesdays  
6 PM

## Economic Development Colony Enterprise Meetings

Wednesdays  
6 PM

January 15, 2025  
February 12, 2025  
March 12, 2025  
April 16, 2025  
May 14, 2025  
June 11, 2025  
July 17, 2025  
August 13, 2025  
September 10, 2025  
October 15, 2025  
November 12, 2025  
December 10, 2025

January 29 2025  
February 26, 2025  
March 26, 2025  
April 30, 2025  
May 28, 2025  
June 25, 2025  
July 30, 2025  
August 27, 2025  
September 24, 2025  
October 29, 2025  
November 19, 2025

RSIC Tribal Council: Top Row L to R  
Vice Chairman Anthony Abbie, Jerrold Wyatt,  
Chairman Daryl Gardipe, Toby Stump  
Bottom Row: Judy Miller, Tribal Secretary  
Marlene Yarrow, Veronica Imus, Treasurer  
Robin M. Eagle, Elizabeth Dunn

January 2025  
In-Person Meeting  
Location

Reno Multipurpose Room  
34 Reservation Rd.  
Reno, Nv. 89502

Meeting also available virtually



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at General Council Meetings only.  
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would like to submit your public  
comment prior to any General  
Council Meeting date, send email  
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For meeting info, contact Public Relations Office at  
775-842-2902 or [bsam@rsic.org](mailto:bsam@rsic.org)

## 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

The deadline for all print submissions to be considered for publication in *The Camp News* is 5 p.m., the second Thursday of every month.

### CONTACT OUR STAFF

E-mail your submissions to [newsletter@rsic.org](mailto:newsletter@rsic.org), [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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If you have a problem with delivery, please call us at (775) 329-2936.

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

## January 2025 IMPORTANT DATES

### 1 New Years Day

2 Education Scavenger Hunt @ PL Museum

15 RSTHC Blood Drive 1715 Kuenzli St, Reno, NV. 9AM-12PM

**15 Tribal Council General Meeting Reno Multipurpose Room 6 PM**

**20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

21 Food Bank Northern Nevada Mobile Harvest HV Parking lot 2:30-3:30 PM

**29 Tribal Council Economic Development Meeting Reno Multipurpose Room 6PM**

### RSTHC Weekly Events

- MONDAY'S @ 3pm- DUI LEVEL II,LL-X, & III
- TUESDAYS @ 4pm- ANGER MANAGEMENT
- WEDNESDAYS @ 10am- SUBSTANCE ABUSE OUTPATIENT GROUP LEVEL
- WEDNESDAYS @ 6PM—WASHOE LANGUAGE CLASSES AT RENO TUTOR ROOM
- THURSDAY'S @ 4pm—DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION GROUP - FRIDAYS @ 4pm—RED ROAD TO WELLBRIETY
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### Please Note:

- **COVID-19 Stockpile & Assistance:** To request PPE or would like to know more info about COVID-19 Assistance, call James Thomas at 775 785-1346
- **UNITY Teen Food Pantry @ TLC Open to RSIC Teens/Families RSIC Employees. Supplies are limited Must Fill out NNFB Required Forms.** Tuesdays 9AM-3PM & Thursdays 3PM-5PM
- **Girl Scouts Troop 155 Every 2nd & 4th Friday each month HV Rec Center 4-5PM**

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 [bsam@rsic.org](mailto:bsam@rsic.org) or [bharjo@rsic.org](mailto:bharjo@rsic.org)

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## *Office of the Chairman*

### *Daryl D. Gardipe*

Happy Holidays Everyone! The spirit of the holidays is about how we all come together to help one another, ease each others' burdens, and fill everyone's hearts with joy. It's how we use our blessings that matter the most.

As we prepare for 2025, the first step for the new year is to reflect on 2024 to set realistic goals, prioritize community health & wealth, and focus on positive financial growth.

I've officially completed my 1<sup>st</sup> year in office as Chairman and I'd like to thank the Tribal Council, RSIC Tribal Members, Community Members and Employees for a successful year.

As I reflect, community safety is still a top priority for me. Keeping our community and families safe is extremely important. We can't ignore the issues that happen in and around the colony. *If you see something*, say something to the authorities."

On this last incident, I want to commend our tribal community, Tribal Police, Tribal Administrator, Public Relations Office, Recreation Dept., Washoe County Victim Services, FBI, BIA Law Enforcement, Washoe County Sheriffs, Reno PD and Sparks PD on a quick response to keep police activity from escalating. Your hard work proved to react positively in keeping the rest of our community safe.

I've continued my commitment to Tribal Membership and



Community in protecting our sovereignty and maintaining political relationships with federal, state, county and city officials; with the help of 360 Strategies and staff.

Also, Tribal Council and I are continuously exploring sensible, economic opportunities to diversify our tribal economy.

Now for my update to the community on what Tribal Council and I have been working on for the month of December.

**Tribal Member Christmas Distribution:** On November 25th, we had a surprise raffle for tribal members and it was quite the scene to see tribal members extremely grateful to win additional gifts.

A big reminder to all tribal members who haven't picked up their checks or raffle prizes is December 31<sup>st</sup> at 12PM or Noon. Go to the finance office if you

have any questions.

**Employee Christmas Party**—On December 7<sup>th</sup>, we had our Annual Employee Christmas Party hosted at GSR this year. It was an Ugly Christmas Sweater Party theme. There were over 380 party guests. Anthony "Sky" Rambeau and Bethany Sam won the ugly sweater contest. Anthony had a hairy man ugly sweater and Bethany wore a baby Jesus sweater.

Our Employees of the year were Tribal Police Chief Jarrod Nunes and Fund Development Manager, Mary Lask. We also gave out the years of service awards. It was a great Christmas Party.

Thank you Employees for all your hard work this year.

Thank you to the Employee Events Committee for putting together a well thought out party and including the raffle for everyone in attendance.

**United Way Fundraiser**—I want to thank all of you who contributed to this years United Way Fundraiser Campaign. There were 37 employees who participated. We raised \$13,919.60.

United Way is a great way to invest in the local community to create lasting change providing prevention/development opportunities and assist families with basic needs & crisis services.

Special thanks to Alicia Wadsworth for heading up the fundraiser and raffle for

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employees.

**Housing Project moving forward:** Housing Project of 22 homes and 3 lots. The official IFB or Invitation for Bid closes this week and will be selecting a contractor to start our first phase of construction. This is great news!

**State Plan Amendment to Medicaid and Tribal Health Centers claiming all pharmaceuticals**— Over the past year RSTHC Director, Angie Wilson has attended multiple meetings to advocate, respond and push forward the negotiation terms of the State Plan Amendments (SPA), as the State had held firm in their stance to only give one additional encounter to the Tribes. The importance of this advocacy would determine the long-term impact to the Tribes as the potential of meaningful third-party revenue was at stake.

In a scheduled tribal consultation meeting held December 9, 2024 with the DHCFP, Adminis-

trator Stacie Weeks made the formal announcement that the State would authorize and submit to CMS Region 9 the full request made by Director Wilson. The SPA would allow all Nevada Tribal Pharmacies to bill the All-Inclusive Rate for each individual medication dispensed, without limitation and regardless of where the Tribes procure the medications.

This is a huge win for RSIC and Nevada Tribes. Thank you Tribal Council, Director, Angie Wilson and RSTHC Staff for your advocacy to advance healthcare for all Nevada Tribes.

**Please Take our Survey's Online:** Economic Development, Community Information Market Survey and Street Names Survey. You can find the links to survey at [www.rsic.org](http://www.rsic.org) on the Planning Department's webpage.

**Christmas Community Events:** All the Christmas Community events were a success. Everyone walked away with smiles to include the holiday craft fairs,

Recreation's Adult Christmas Bingo and dance competitions, the Community Christmas Dinner with Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus to include another community raffle organized by Tribal Council and the announcements of the House Decorating competitions. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to everyone who participated.

**The New Years Eve Sobriety Powwow is on December 31<sup>st</sup> and will start at 4pm this year.** We encourage all community members to support sobriety and attend our powwow.

**Reminder of RSIC Closures:** Closing at Noon on New Years Eve, December 31st and CLOSED on New Years Day, January 1, 2025.

**Medical Needs:** Please pre-plan care especially your pharmacy needs.

*I want to thank our RSIC Community and Staff for a successful year. We appreciate all of you! I look forward to the holidays and New Year.*

For upcoming events, please be on the lookout on our website at [www.rsic.org](http://www.rsic.org), our social media postings and your newsletter boxes.

**DON'T Forget RSIC's Xmas Check Pickup Deadline is December 31<sup>st</sup> at Noon.**

The Tribal Council and I have been extremely busy strategizing on our priorities. We have many upcoming events. Stay informed by RSIC's newsletter, website and RSIC's social media.





## RSIC Language & Culture Program

# MIKE O'DAYE ARCHERY

### Safety and Demonstration



Milo Perez shooting with his own bow.



Karianna John takes archery classes at Pine crest..



Cheeks (Soba) Thomas training on the deer target.



Jeff Thomas



Jayde Thomas taking aim.



Ryder Sanchez sharp shooter.



Jared Tom training on the bear target.



Russel Furst encouraging his grandson to shoot.



Rhonda Sanderson & Michael Sanderson.

The RSIC Language & Culture Program contracted RSIC resident Mike O'Daye for an archery safety and demonstration event. The event was held in Hungry Valley. The first part of the day was a safety presentation, the do's and don'ts of shooting your bow. The second half of the day was a hands on demonstration with various sizes and strength compound bows. We enjoyed deer stew, deer meat, and beans made by Anthony Mauwee. Molly O'daye and Anita Sanchez made sides and deer roast.

Many RSIC community members participated and gained a lot of knowledge in shooting a compound bow. It was an all ages event. Children were able to participate and gain experience with shooting a bow with a safety instructor. Many others gained proper shooting techniques. Everyone who participated were very encouraging and cheered each other on to get their mark. It was a great day to shoot and be with community.



# RSIC Language & Culture Program

## MIKE O'DAYE ARCHERY

### Safety and Demonstration



Jared Tom & Duane Tom shooting together.



Gathering arrows together.



Nicole and Emilia Mandell adjusting bow.



Jennie Burns with "Kedu":



Eating a deer feast together.



Smoked deer meat and slow roasted deer meat.



Russel Furst giving teachings on the compound bow.



Russel Furst with grandson Tyrell Furst.



Alisha Numan getting instructions from Mike.



Judy Miller with Grandson Ryder Sanchez

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through the 340b program or the National Supply Service Center.

During the past year, this advocacy led the State to make an exception and authorized tribal clinics to be able to bill up to 5 allowable encounters per day which could include additional medications to reach the 5 per day limit, as the state considered the final negotiation of the SPA. This exception, although still limited, has resulted in additional third-party revenue for the RSTHC, closing the 2024 year at over \$17M, the highest revenue ever achieved by RSTHC.

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procure the medications. In addition, would not interfere with the current five (5) encounter billing allowances for other program services such as medical, dental, behavioral health, optometry, and more, and will be effective as of January 1, 2025 upon CMS approval. In addition, Administrator Weeks informed the Tribes she would waive the public hearing requirement to expedite the SPA for CMS Region 9 review and approval.

This SPA will be the single largest investment ever achieved for tribal health programs in this State, resulting in significant opportunities for additional third-party revenue for all Nevada Tribal Health Clinics. With Indian Health Services funding to our Tribes at only 50% of the need, this advocacy will allow tribes significant opportunities to close the disparities in funding as all third-party revenue generated through clinics are required to go back into the health care services as part of our formal agreements with the Indian Health Service and consistent with the Department of Health and Human Services and CMS regulations.

“The additional third-party revenue is required to go back into our tribal health care delivery systems. As such, it will allow our tribal clinics significant opportunities to address and sustain the healthcare needs for our patients including expansion of care, additional providers and support staff, improved equipment, tribal sponsorship of

healthcare premiums and expansion of our facilities and services. As the life expectancy of our Indian people continues to fall younger than any other ethnic population, we cannot wait for the Federal Government to fully fund the IHS. We have to take the initiative to force the federal trust responsibility another way, and that is through examples such as this historic State Plan Amendment” – Director Wilson

Nahayvee Flores-Rosiles and Monica Schiffer, Tribal Liaisons for the DHCFP attended the December General Council Meeting to address the Tribal Council and attendees on this historic SPA and thanked Director Wilson for her advocacy in achieving this significant milestone. “This effort is profound and will have generational impacts for improved sustainability for many generations to come. RSTHC led this significant effort, leaving a legacy change for the Nevada Tribes”.

States receive Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) reimbursement for American Indian and Alaskan Native Medicaid Beneficiary's seen in tribal clinics. The FMAP reimbursement for AI/AN Medicaid beneficiaries seen within our clinics is reimbursed to the state at 100%. As such, the increase to all Nevada Tribal Clinics for the pharmacy billing expansion will be reimbursed from the Federal Government to the State at 100%, as part of the Federal Trust Responsibility.

The family of Valerie Moose Morales would like to thank the RSIC Tribal Council and Council Secretary, Public Works Department, Senior Center, RSIC Front Office, Recreation Staff, Jamie & Toby Stump, Eagle Wings and everyone for the helping laying Valerie to rest.

Thank you all for flowers, cards, songs, food and words of sympathy during this difficult time.

Our Mother, Sister, Aunty and Friend will be greatly missed.



## We Wish You A Merry Christmas



### Numu (Paiute)

**Pesa Nagweseme No'o!**  
We wish you a merry Christmas!  
**Pesa Nagweseme No'o!**  
We wish you a merry Christmas!  
**Pesa Nagweseme No'o!**  
We wish you a merry Christmas!  
**Pesa Pudu Tommo!**  
And a happy new year!  
**Pesa Sooname U Numudooc**  
Good thoughts to your relatives  
**Pesa Nagweseme No'o!**  
We wish you a merry Christmas!  
**Pesa Pudu Tommo!**  
And a happy new year!

### Newe (Shoshone)

**Damme émmé Zandgoo**  
**Gweshemas**  
We wish you a merry Christmas!  
**Damme émmé Zandgoo**  
**Gweshemas**  
We wish you a merry Christmas!  
**Damme émmé Zandgoo**  
**Gweshemas Wa'i**  
We wish you a merry Christmas!  
and  
**Zaa egebich domo**  
Happy new year!

### Washishu (Washoe)

**Di kešmeš ajaw huya!**  
We Wish You a Merry  
Christmas!  
**Di kešmeš ajaw huya!**  
We Wish You a Merry  
Christmas!  
**Di kešmeš ajaw huya!**  
We Wish You a Merry  
Christmas!  
**Ida ajaw gabagi!**  
And a Happy New Year!



Scan with device to hear  
Christmas carols in the  
Great Basin Languages

# 2024 Recreation Christmas BINGO



Christmas Bingo was a blast and one to remember, many prizes were won and the building was shaking and a rolling and it even had people dancing in the aisles as the gym was lit up for disco! There 1st BINGO of the night won a 75 in. Vizio TV the winner was, Kevin O'daye, even Wilbur got up to dance and won a 50 in. Samsung TV. Lindsay Mauwee also won a 65 in Vizio TV and the Blackout Bingo winner won a 75 in Samsung TV and that winner was Doris Brooks. This is one event we wait for all year for.

RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY  
TRIBAL MEMBER & RESIDENT

# NAKO QUARTZ

Congratulations!

OG DUCKS AYE CHAMPIONS

RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY

CALLING ALL ADVENTURERS

JOIN RSIC's EDUCATION DEPARTMENT FOR A SCAVENGER HUNT  
& A TOUR OF PYRAMID LAKE MUSEUM

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 2025

SPACE IS LIMITED TO 10 STUDENTS AT EACH LOCATION.

- ✓ RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. PERMISSION SLIP WILL BE AVAILABLE AT TIME OF REGISTRATION.
- ✓ PERMISSION SLIP MUST BE SIGNED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN.
- ✓ CALL RSIC'S EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AT 775-322-6114 TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION OR EMAIL: Susan Zeiter @ [szeiter@rsic.org](mailto:szeiter@rsic.org) OR Lizette Ariaga [laariaga@rsic.org](mailto:laariaga@rsic.org)
- ✓ PLEASE ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 9:15 AT RSIC'S EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OR AT THE HUNGRY VALLEY OFFICE.
- ✓ LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED.
- ✓ THE HV VAN IS EXPECTED BACK AT APPROXIMATELY 2:00PM, AND THE RSIC VAN IS EXPECTED BACK BY 2:30 PM.

RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY

YOUR YEAR OF CREATIVITY

✓ Design a mural inspired by your community.  
✓ Plan a nature walk for you and your friends.  
✓ Find new ways of expressing yourself.

Let your imagination lead the way as you try new things. Find your inspiration and discover a different side of yourself.

Be a Girl Scout

girl scouts of the sierra nevada

Join Girl Scouts Today!

Girl Scout troop 155 meets every 2nd & 4th Friday at the Hungry Valley Rec Center from 4:00-5:00pm starting Sept. 13th

Girl Scouts earn badges related to STEM, outdoors, entrepreneurship, and life skills while making new friends.

Scan the QR code or visit [gssn.org/CLT](http://gssn.org/CLT) to fill out the permission slip.

For questions or concerns email [girlscouthelp@gssn.org](mailto:girlscouthelp@gssn.org)

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RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY

## Reno Sparks Tribal Health Blood Drive

Donate Inside  
1715 Kuenzli St  
January 15<sup>th</sup> 9:00am- 12:00PM

Please sign up today. To book your appointment scan the QR code or call Vitalant (775) 329-6451  
Walk-ins Welcomed!

Before you donate: Eat. Hydrate. Bring your photo ID

GIVE BLOOD TODAY | [vitalant.org](http://vitalant.org)

SCAN ME



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

DRIVE  
THROUGH  
UNTIL  
FURTHER  
NOTICE

1/21/2025  
2:30 - 3:30PM

NOTE THE NEW  
DATE!  
MH IS NOW ON THE  
3RD TUESDAY OF  
THE MONTH  
FROM 2:30-3:30 PM

WHERE:  
HV GYM PARKING LOT

LIMIT ONE DISTRIBUTION PER WEEK



### PLEASE NOTE:

- EACH FAMILY (NOT PERSON) RECEIVES ONE DISTRIBUTION
- CLIENTS MAY PICK UP FOR UP TO 3 FAMILIES NOT PRESENT
- VOLUNTEERS DISTRIBUTE BASED ON WHAT FBNN STAFF WRITES ON WINDSHIELDS



### Winter Safety Tips for Homeowners & Renters

With winter around the corner, AMERIND is committed to sharing knowledge, helping you to identify risks and remove hazards. Your safety is important to us at AMERIND and prevention is the key.

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### Fireplace Safety



### Space Heater Safety



Connect with us for homeowner safety tips and other information [AMERIND.com](http://AMERIND.com)



### THE ABC'S OF SALVATION



#### ADMIT

Admit you are a sinner and have made mistakes.

#### BELIEVE

Believe that Jesus is God's Son, died on the Cross for you, and rose up from the grave on the third day.

#### CONFESS

Confess Jesus as the Lord of your life. And commit yourself to a life of following Jesus, and serving others.

*(Romans 3:23; John 1:12; Romans 10:9)*

# 2024 RSIC Employee Christmas Dinner



5 Years of Dedication and Service Award



10 Years of Dedication and Service



15 Years of Dedication and Service



20 Years of Dedication and Service Award



2024 Tribal Chairman's Award



2024 Tribal Chairman's Award

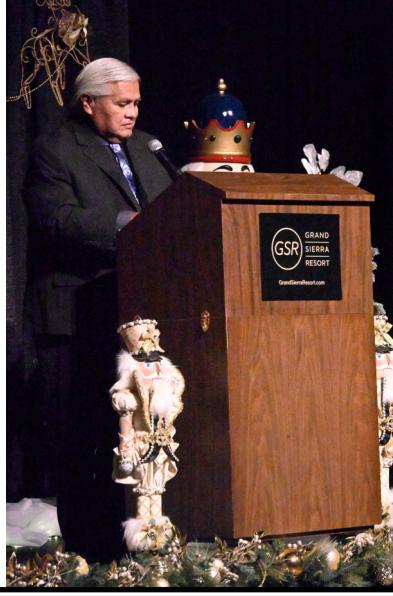


Outstanding Employee of The Year

Mary Lask

Outstanding Employee of The Year

Jarrod Nunes



The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Employee Christmas Dinner at GSR. Dedication and Service Awards for 5 years, 10 Years, 15 years and 20 years were recognized as well as The Chairman's Employee of The Year Awards, congratulations to Mary Lask - RSIC Grant Writer and Jarrod Nunes RSIC Chief of Police. Both have contributed to much hard work RSIC and the community this past year. All RSIC employees have contributed to the success of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony and The Reno Sparks Tribal Health Center. Keep up the good work!

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Tribal Council members pose at the end of RSIC Christmas Distribution Elizabeth Dunn, Secretary Marlene Yarrow, Judy Miller, Treasure Robin Eagle, Veronica Imus and Toby Stump



Angel Jackson winner of Public Relations Survey and Michelle Smoky (Not Present)



2024 RSIC UNITY End of Year Dinner and Recognition of Officers and members and Advisors, was held at The Coconut Bowl. After a delicious Taco Bar dinner awards were presented to Unity Executive Officer and Senior– L-R Jayla Ramirez, Emily Mason Secretary, Jalei Moody Treasure, Justin Moody President, Tokala Chasing Crow Vice-President, Kenneth Leyva Co-Officer



Christmas rolled up on us very quickly and all the departments get very festive this time of year, actually all year with each passing season. Above we have employees of administration with Ugly Sweaters and Pajamas, later with a pot-luck of some really good food and desserts.



### RSIC EXECUTIVE HEALTH BOARD

**TERM: 2024 - 2028**

**Serves as Secretary and  
RSIC Representative  
Member on the RSIC  
Executive  
Health Board.**

*"It is our responsibility to uphold the health of our people and bridge the healthcare gap to pave the way for future generations."*



## RSTHC spotlight

### DEENA O'DAYE

Deena O'Daye, BSN, RN is an appointed member and current Secretary for the Executive Health Board. With more than 20 years of experience in health care, Deena joins the Health Board as a currently practicing clinical nurse at the VA Medical Center in Reno, NV. Throughout her career, she served in a variety of roles including the Healthcare and Hospital State Liaison (Arizona) for the Maricopa County Department of Public Health as well as providing mentorship for at-risk youth for the Hoop of Learning Program at the Phoenix Indian Medical Center. She currently volunteer's deployment to areas of national emergency with the Disaster Emergency Medical Personnel Systems (DEMPS) program.

She maintains her multi-state state board certifications after having earned her BSN from Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, Arizona. She is actively pursuing her Doctorate as a Nurse Practitioner at the University of Nevada Reno emphasizing on the health care needs of Native American communities. She empowers the community to actively participate in creating culturally competent and community-based care that is equitable and culturally appropriate. During her term, she foresees the future of the Tribal Health Center holding both challenges and opportunities. Challenges that require ongoing advocacy for resource allocation, addressing prevalent chronic disease and educating on long-term prevention. Leveraging cultural strengths, identifying disparities, and tracking health outcomes creates opportunities to drive policy decision making to directly reflect the unique characteristics of the community. She is grateful to be on this board and help serve the community with integrity and ethical decision making.

# **2024 Reno-Sparks Indian Colony**

## **Cultural Resources Accomplishments**

### **RSIC THPO/Cultural Resource Program Mission for 2024:**

Perpetuate the traditional RSIC culture through preservation, protection and management of Native American Cultural Resources and Ancestral Remains throughout Washoe County, Nevada and the RSIC Areas of Cultural Interest; to operate the Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO). RSIC THPO/Cultural Resource Staff: Michon R. Eben (THPO/Cultural Resource Manager) and Sierra Rambeau (THPO Program Assistant & Oral Historian).

**This mission is accomplished throughout the year:**

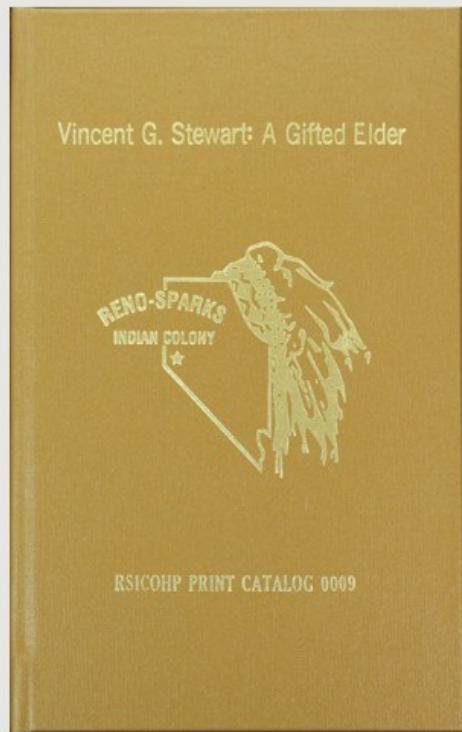
**Inform and advocate the RSIC cultural interests areas to the federal, state, local agencies, museums and other entities in regards to NAGPRA (Native American Graves & Protection Act), ARPA (Archeological Resources Protection Act), NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act), AIRFA (American Indian Religion & Freedom Act), NHPA (National Historic Preservation Act), 1872 General Mining Act, Nevada State Laws and other important guidelines, policies and executive orders pertaining to cultural resources.** The RSIC THPO/Cultural Resource Manager attends meetings, reviews and prepares correspondences for federal, state, local, tribal and consulting firms each month for the protection & preservation of Native American cultural resources/historic properties and Section 106. The Cultural Resource Manager/THPO corresponds and/or participate in monthly or quarterly meetings with federal, state, local cities and archeological consulting firms on protection and preservation of Native American Cultural Resources in RSIC Cultural Interests Areas. These meetings and/or correspondences are regarding projects that may have impacts to Native American Cultural Resources, cultural sites and landscapes. There are Federal, State and Tribal Laws that these agencies must abide by and conduct consultation with the RSIC Cultural Resource Program. Since 2016, the RSIC Cultural Resource Program continues to monitor the Truckee Meadows Public Land Management Act.

**Maintain the Tri Basin Cultural Committee (TBCC), advisory committee to the cultural Resource Program/THPO.** Mandatory for National Park Service Historic Preservation Fund THPO. RSIC THPO Staff coordinated and facilitated 11 monthly meetings this 2023 year.

**Educate community pertaining to cultural resources and arts and culture.** The RSIC THPO Staff co-coordinated and facilitated the July 2024 RSIC Artown event in collaboration with ARTOWN during Cultural Night at Wingfield Park. This year's Artown Poster was RSIC Member, Steve Nighthawk, and a special artists reception was held in conjunction at the Sierra Arts Center in July 2024.

**Develop a collection of Oral Histories from significant RSIC community members.** The RSIC Cultural Resource Program Oral History Project's Mission is interview RSIC elders, members and residents and persons with the RSIC history. These interviews are transcribed from the recording, proofread by interviewer and interviewees and published for the interviewee and RSIC in hard bound books. To date, 20 final hard book oral histories have been completed. See Example:

Cover of the Late Vincent G. Stewart's Oral History book



*"We lived here (RSIC) in a little tiny one-room government house. It was a green one. We had running water outside in a faucet and we had an outhouse in the back here, and I remember that. That was a long time ago. Then the road was a dirt road went through here, and we were way out. We were kind of out, and there was a farmlands in back of the Colony here where GSR (Grand Sierra Resort) and all of those are now. I guess we were about a mile from town, and there was land between here and the main town there, so we were kind of outside the city limits for a while. And later on, it grew and grew, and now we're kind of like in the middle of Reno and Sparks. Then there was a little freeway back there too. There was a big pond where we liked to swim, where the construction company (Isabel Construction) dug their gravel up and then the groundwater seeped up and made big ponds back there, and we were able to swim when we were younger. There was a ditch running back through here, too, back of the Colony. Everybody called it "the ditch." They went swimming in there, too, and we had a lot of fun back there. And there was a lot of animals too. I seen muskrats and porcupines, and you could smell a skunk once in a while. Yeah, we were quite a ways out here, yeah, it felt like."*

**The late Vincent G. Stewart (1949-2024)-RSIC Tribal Member Oral History, 2017.**



## Senior Center Menu 775-785-1349



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1) Closed - Holiday <i>No meals delivered or served</i>	2) Oven Ham Mashed Potatoes Steamed Carrots Apple Wedges	3) Sausage Gravy over Biscuit Tomato and Cucumber Salad Orange
6) Meatball Marinara Sandwich Peas & Carrots Grapes	7) Soft Taco with lettuce, tomatoes, cheese Spanish Rice Peaches	8) Flatbread Pizza 5 Way Steamed Veggies Banana	9) Lemon Pepper Salmon Wild Rice Green Beans Tropical Fruit	10) Denver Scramble; ham, onions, cheese & bell peppers Wheat Toast Pears
13) Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, and cheese Red potato salad Fruit cocktail	14) Chicken a la king over noodles Peas & carrots Apricots	15) Pork Chop Pasta veggie salad Applesauce	16) Beef, bean and cheese burrito Bell peppers Orange	17) Oatmeal Boiled egg Muffin Baby carrots Berries
20) Closed - Holiday <i>No meals delivered or served</i>	21) BBQ ribs Coleslaw Pineapple	22) <i>Birthday Bingo</i> Chicken Alfredo California Veggies Fruit Cocktail	23) Vegetable Beef Stew Wheat roll Mandarin Orange	24) Turkey bacon Scramble eggs Sliced Peppers Banana
27) Tuna Salad on lettuce Celery sticks Grapes	28) Vegetable Chicken Noodle soup Trail Mix Apple wedges	29) Roast Beef Mashed potatoes Green Beans Honey dew	30) Chicken Taco Lettuce tomato cheese Squash mix Pears	31) Pork Chop Scramble eggs with onions, bell peppers, Pineapple

Your meal will be placed in a plastic bag on your doorknob, or driveway fence if you have loose dogs. Please listen for staff to honk and knock, then pick up your meal bag after they leave. Staff will return within 15-20 minutes. Meal bags that stay on the door, or fence will be taken and a "missed you" note will be left. This ensures safe temperatures of food. Please call before 10:00 am to add or cancel lunches for the day. Please tie up any dogs.



## Senior Center Activities 775-785-1349



# January 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1) Closed - Holiday <i>No meals delivered or served</i>	2)	3)
6)	7)	8) 	9)	10) 
13)	14) 	15)	16)	17)
20) Closed - Holiday <i>No meals delivered or served</i>	21) Food Pantry	22) 12:30 pm Birthday BINGO 	23)	24)
	 Please remember to call and cancel your lunch if you are coming to play bingo. 775-785-1349			
27)	28) 1 pm Arm crochet	29)	30) 1 pm Arm crochet	31)

Activities are subject to change or cancel without notice.



January 2025

**RSIC Senior Program Clients –**

THANK YOU to those of you who have completed your annual client registration!!! We need a few 2025 income, so please bring in a copy as soon as possible.

If you have not turned in your 2025 registration packet (purple cover), it is stressed to do so as soon as possible to avoid interruption of services you receive. Applications have been delivered and available since November 20, 2024.

December 2024 - It's annual renewal and new client registration time again for 2025 RSIC Senior Program Client Registration!!! Applications available and accepted at the senior center, Monday-Friday from 7:30 am – 2:30 pm.

\*Items required and we can make copies for you, if need -

Valid photo ID (driver's license, state or Tribal ID)

2025 Income (optional) - However, *"IF", you receive any additional resources like; food pantry, farmers market coupon books, etc., your 2025 income is required to continue.*

Registration Raffle will be held for all completed packets!!! Drawing on February 13 at the Valentine/Birthday Bingo. The number of raffle ticket(s) depends on the date you submit your completed packet.

Early completion = more Raffle tickets for you

November 20 – December 30 = 5 Tickets

January 2-31 = 3 Raffle Tickets

February 1-13 = 1 Raffle Ticket

*Awesome prizes to be won, so get your registration packet done soon as possible.*



For more information or assistance please stop by or call 775-785-1349.



## New Refill Services

### Leave Message/Phone Refill

- New refill line - call (775) 334-0413 or call (775) 329-5162 and use extension 1699
  - Option #1 = enter your prescription number
    - DO NOT ENTER THE R OR N at the end of the number
  - Option #3 = leave a message for the pharmacy Staff

### Pharmacy Staff

- To talk to someone inside the Pharmacy Call (775) 329-5162 and use extensions 2032, 1994, 1993, or 2004.

### Phone App Refills

- Download the RefillPro App by scanning one of the below QRs.



- Once Downloaded put (775) 329-5162 for the Pharmacy phone number
- Order Refills tab
  - Option #1 = enter your prescription number
    - DO NOT ENTER THE R OR N at the end of the number
  - Option #2 = Scan the Barcode on your prescription bottle.

### New Text Alerts

- Receive texts when
  - Medications are ready to pick up
  - Medications are due to refill
  - SIGN UP by Talking to a Pharmacy Staff Member

## New Prescription Labels



- **Red Box** = Prescription number. The Letter at the end is not part of the prescription number, it just indicates if the prescription is new or a refill. N = new script/renewed script and R = refilled script.
- **Green Box** = The Number of Refills left for this medication.
- **Black Box** = Refills on this medication are good until this Date.
- **Blue Box** = Barcode used to scan in RefillPro app to order refills on the app

# Legal / Public / Job Announcements

## Recruitment for committee / boards

### Public Notice

On December 16, 2024, the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony THPO/Cultural Resource Program received a grant from the Department of Interior's (DOI) National Park Service (NPS) Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) in the amount of \$161,000.00 to renovate the windows and door at the Field Matron's Cottage.

The Field Matron's Cottage is the current Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) and Cultural Resource Program's building that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The 925-square-foot cottage was constructed ca. 1926, and a modern addition was built at the rear (north end) of the building, comprising 294 square feet. Stylistically, the Field Matron's Cottage follows a regional architectural type called Stewart Vernacular.

Please contact the RSIC THPO/Cultural Resource Program at (775) 785-1326 if you have any questions, comments or concerns regarding the renovation to this historic building.



Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
Planning and Community Development Department  
1937 Prosperity St.  
Reno, NV 89502  
775-785-1363

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Preliminary Approval of Residential Land Lease

On December 11, 2024, the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal Council gave preliminary approval of a residential land lease for:

Applicant: Cedar D. Miller

Address: 50 Wa Pai Shone Circle, Reno, NV 89502

If you object to this preliminary approval, submit a written statement to the Planning and Community Development Department and the Tribal Council Secretary, including detailed reasons for the objection please. The written statement must be emailed or delivered to the Planning and Community Development Department and the Tribal Council Secretary:

Planning and Community Development Department Director  
1937 Prosperity Street, Reno, NV 89502  
775-785-1363 or [cstowell@rsic.org](mailto:cstowell@rsic.org)

Tribal Council Secretary  
34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502  
[myarrow@rsic.org](mailto:myarrow@rsic.org)

Written objections to this preliminary approval must be submitted to the Planning and Community Development Department and Tribal Council Secretary by:  
4:00 p.m. on Monday, January 13, 2025.

If you have any questions concerning this residential land lease, please contact Candace H. Stowell, AICP at 775-785-1363 ext. 5409 or [cstowell@rsic.org](mailto:cstowell@rsic.org)



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Planning and Community Development Department  
1937 Prosperity St  
Reno, NV 89502  
775-785-1363

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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On December 11, 2024, the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal Council gave preliminary approval of a residential land lease for:

Applicant: Sharon Thomas

Address: 107 Colony Road, Reno, NV 89502

If you object to this preliminary approval, submit a written statement to the Planning and Community Development Department and the Tribal Council Secretary, including detailed reasons for the objection please. The written statement must be emailed or delivered to the Planning and Community Development Department and the Tribal Council Secretary:

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# Legal / Public Announcements

## *Recruitment for committee / boards*

# TRIBAL COURT 2024

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Accomplishments in 2024: working with other departments to obtain a grant to begin work on a new justice center on Sunshine Lane; funds received from the BIA, the Healing to Wellness Court Staff was able to attend the National Association of Drug Court Professionals Conference in Anaheim, California; and the Court purchased new workstations and updated software for each court staff.

We will work with the Fund Development Coordinator on grants that enhance the Tribal Court, the Healing to Wellness Court Program, and Youth Peer Court.

The Law and Order Committee has been re-established and is working on amendments and additions to the Tribal Law and Order Code, in collaboration with the Staff Attorney's Office.

Hearings held at the Tribal Court in 2024: Criminal hearings (219), Civil hearings (67), Probate hearings (4), Temporary Protection Orders (10) and Juvenile hearings (34). Healing to Wellness Court graduated 1 in 2024.

In 2019 the RSIC Tribal Council approved Ordinance 56 Part 1 Probate and Part 2 Wills. From 2019-2024 there were 22 probates filed with the Tribal Court. Out of those 22 cases 6 were dismissed due to incorrect filings, no follow up by the petitioner after filing the initial petition, or at the request of the petitioner. Out of the remaining 16 probates, only 3 took 12 months or longer to complete, with the majority of the probates closed within 6 months or less.

Tanya Hernandez: During 2024, the Truancy Officer has been working

with RSIC juveniles who have community service to complete. The Truancy officer and the juveniles worked with the Planning Department assisting with keeping the Truckee River path clear of trash. The Juveniles were transported to the Truckee River path on Wednesdays after school on early release days, some Fridays, and during school breaks. The juveniles worked 2-4 hours at a time to pick up garbage and cut down some overgrown weeds. The juveniles have also cleaned some of the RSIC parks in Hungry Valley as well as shovel snow for some seniors. Some of the juveniles have also worked during community events such as the Numaga Powwow/ New Year's Powwow, and Hungry Valley community clean-up day also attended some events with the RSIC cultural department helping events. The Truancy Officer has been working more closely with the Washoe County School District Truancy Officers.

Enrico Castillo and Christian Luna: The Tribal Court Advocates provided zealous representation in RSIC tribal court. They represented Defendants in criminal cases and juvenile in juvenile cases. They also provided limited representation to enrolled RSIC tribal members in civil cases.

Tribal Court Advocates assisted community members in execution of their Last Will and Testament. They also represented parties in probate cases. A presentation on wills was given at the court's community event in November.

To keep current with tribal court procedures and jurisprudence as well as evidence-based substance abuse

treatment as alternative sentencing in criminal cases, the Tribal Court Advocates attended trainings. This year, the tribal court team attended the 2024 RISE conference. Treatment Courts were discussed which was beneficial since the Court team has a Healing to Wellness Court program for clients who meet certain criteria. One training in particular discussed the legal, constitutional, and ethical issues in treatment courts. Addiction is a disease and in order for clients to succeed in our Healing to Wellness Court, they must be given the proper treatment and tools. Overall, the training was beneficial for all of us. One Tribal Court Advocate also attended the 55th Annual Tribal Judicial and Court Personnel Conference that deals with tribal court rules and procedures.

Dana Thomas: Being the Tribal Court Clerk for the Reno Sparks Indian Colony, I have gained monumental knowledge of my position as Tribal Court Clerk and the variety of duties including but not limited to assisting tribal community members in filing proper pleadings with the court. I accomplished professional growth through experiences within our community and that I'm continuously developing my skills. This year I had the pleasure attending the 55th Annual National Tribal Judicial and Court Personnel Conference and completed the Court Clerk I and II training. Ms. Thomas looks forward to her future as the Tribal Court Clerk.

Submitted by Jeraldine Magee, Court Administrator and Court Staff

# Legal / Public / Job Announcements

## Recruitment for committee / boards

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### Tri Basin Cultural Committee

#### Recruiting for 1 Member

Want to learn more about OUR ancestral past and Traditional Cultural Properties? Want to learn about the Great Basin People's history and cultural items, as well as PROJECTS that may affect them?

**Join the RSIC Tri Basin Cultural Committee (TBCC)!**

The TBCC is an advisory board to the RSIC Cultural Resource Program/Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO). The RSIC Cultural Resource Program/THPO is active in reporting, commenting, reviewing, assisting, & monitoring Federal, State, Tribal, and local agencies on their potential impacts to Native American Cultural Resources.

Please submit a letter describing your interest in joining the TBCC to the RSIC THPO at 34 Reservation RD. Reno NV

**ACCEPTING LETTERS OF INTEREST  
UNTIL August 16, 2024.**

**TBCC members are required to attend 12 paid meetings per year which requires field site visits & your review and comment on projects.**

For more information or if you have questions contact **Michon R. Eben** (RSIC THPO/Cultural Resource Manager) or **Sierra Rambeau** (THPO Assistant/Oral Historian) at (775) 785-1326.

The RSIC Tribal Historic Preservation Office is supported by a grant from the Department of Interior National Parks Service



### RECRUITMENT FOR RSIC POWWOW COMMITTEE

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

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony **Powwow Committee** is seeking four (4) RSIC **Enrolled Members** who are interested in serving on the Committee. Any interested RSIC Enrolled Member, may complete the application and submit their signed letter of interest to:

**Reno-Sparks Indian Colony**  
Attn: Tribal Administrator / Powwow Committee  
34 Reservation Road  
Reno, NV 89502.  
\*No emails will be accepted.

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Powwow Committee consists of no fewer than four (4) and no more than seven (7) members. Each member shall hold office until his/her term expires, or until he/she resigns or is removed from office in accordance with the Bylaws and Standing Rules for Committees and Advisory Boards of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony. Committee Members are appointed by 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 of 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 Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Powwow Committee Application is included with the Recruitment Notice.

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### Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Senior Advisory Committee Is seeking 1 new member

The Senior Advisory Committee encourages RSIC enrolled seniors (55 or older) to become a member of the SAC. Please submit a letter of interest, stating your name and contact information to: Tribal Headquarters, 34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502, Attention: Tribal Administrator's Office. The tribe's standing rules for committees and advisory boards apply to this position. The Committee meets the first Monday of the month. You must be an active participant in the meetings and other SAC sponsored events and be available for any additional meetings. The term is for two years.



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Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
34 Reservation Road  
Reno, NV 89502



### URGENT – APPLY TODAY

MUST FILL (2) ELECTION BOARD VACANCY – MEETINGS ARE THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

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#### QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates shall meet the minimum qualifications:

- Ability to work positively under team concept with community.
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- Persons with the time and flexibility to prepare for and work on Tribal Election Day.

In addition, eligible candidates must be able to complete a pre-employment drug screening and criminal background check.

#### APPLICATIONS & QUESTIONS

If you wish to be considered for this vacancy, please submit your letter of interest to:

Tribal Administrators Office  
Attn: Election Board  
By mail or hand delivery: 34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502

If you have any questions regarding this opportunity, please contact:

Tanya Hernandez, Chairperson  
By e-mail: [thernandez@rsic.org](mailto:thernandez@rsic.org) or by phone: (775) 785-8775

# Legal / Public / Job Announcements

## Recruitment for committee / boards



### RECRUITMENT FOR HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD

THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY HOUSING DEPARTMENT IS SEEKING (5) NEW HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS. RSIC ENROLLED MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTEREST, STATING YOUR NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION, TO RSIC TRIBAL HEADQUARTERS OFFICE AT 34 RESERVATION ROAD.

PLEASE SEND IN A LETTER OF INTEREST TO:  
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
ATTN: Tribal Administrator Office / Housing  
34 Reservation Rd  
Reno, NV 89502

ANY QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT AT (775) 785-1300

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
34 Reservation Road  
Reno, NV 89502



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If you have any questions regarding this opportunity, please contact:

Tanya Hernandez, Chairperson  
By e-mail: [thernandez@rsic.org](mailto:thernandez@rsic.org) or by phone: (775)785-8775



### Recruitment Language & Culture Advisory Committee Members

The Language & Culture Advisory Committee is currently seeking (1) RSIC Tribal member to serve on the Language & Culture Advisory Committee.

Committee member will be appointed by the RSIC Tribal Council and shall serve a term of 2 years.

If interested in becoming an LCAB member, please submit an letter of interest to:

Reno Sparks Indian Colony  
Tribal Administrator's Office  
34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact the Language & Culture offices at 775-785-1365



RSIC Truancy Officer has new hours:

Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Truancy Officer will be in the Hungry Valley Community 8:00 a.m. through 9:00 a.m., Monday through Wednesday

The Truancy Officer will be in the office daily at 7:30 a.m., and if necessary, can provide a ride to school. Assistance can be limited, based on need, weather conditions, out of office, but the goal is to always assist the child to make sure they get to school.

If your child has missed the bus and needs a ride to school, please call the Truancy Officer at (775) 444-6228





# DUI LEVEL II, II-X, & III

WEEKLY

Mondays 3:00-4:00 PM



- ✓ MAKE POSITIVE CHANGES TO YOUR HIGH-RISK DRIVING BEHAVIORS
- ✓ LEARN HOW ALCOHOL & OTHER DRUGS AFFECT DRIVING ABILITY
- ✓ EXAMINE YOUR SUBSTANCE ABUSE PATTERNS
- ✓ EXPLORE THE LINK BETWEEN THOUGHTS, FEELINGS & BEHAVIOR
- ✓ DEVELOPE A PLAN FOR CHANGING YOUR IMPAIRED DRIVING BEHAVIOR

For more information  
(775) 334-0989  
or  
(775) 329-5162 EXT 7785



## PATH TO A BETTER YOU



### Substance Abuse Outpatient Group Level I

- Psychoeducation to identify factors that compel problematic use and/or continued use.
- Skill development to learn how to enhance the skills necessary to break free of addictions.

When: Wednesdays

Time: 10am-11:30am

## PROGRESSION NOT PERFECTION

If you would like more information or  
have questions please call  
(775) 329-5162 ext. 2014



"Harnessing the power  
of change"



## ANGER MANAGEMENT

TUESDAYS AT 4:00PM

For more information,  
please call the Behavioral  
Health Department  
**775-334-0989**

**OR**  
**775-329-5162 extension 7785**

### THE BENEFITS

#### Knowing Your Triggers

Learn to identify what  
sets you off or  
worsens your anger

#### Communication Skills

Learn how to express  
feelings and needs  
assertively  
(not aggressively)

#### Respond Instead of React

Calm yourself down



## DOMESTIC

## VIOLENCE

### Intervention Group



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE GROUP OR TO  
GET SIGNED-UP, PLEASE CALL:

**(775) 334-0989**

**or**



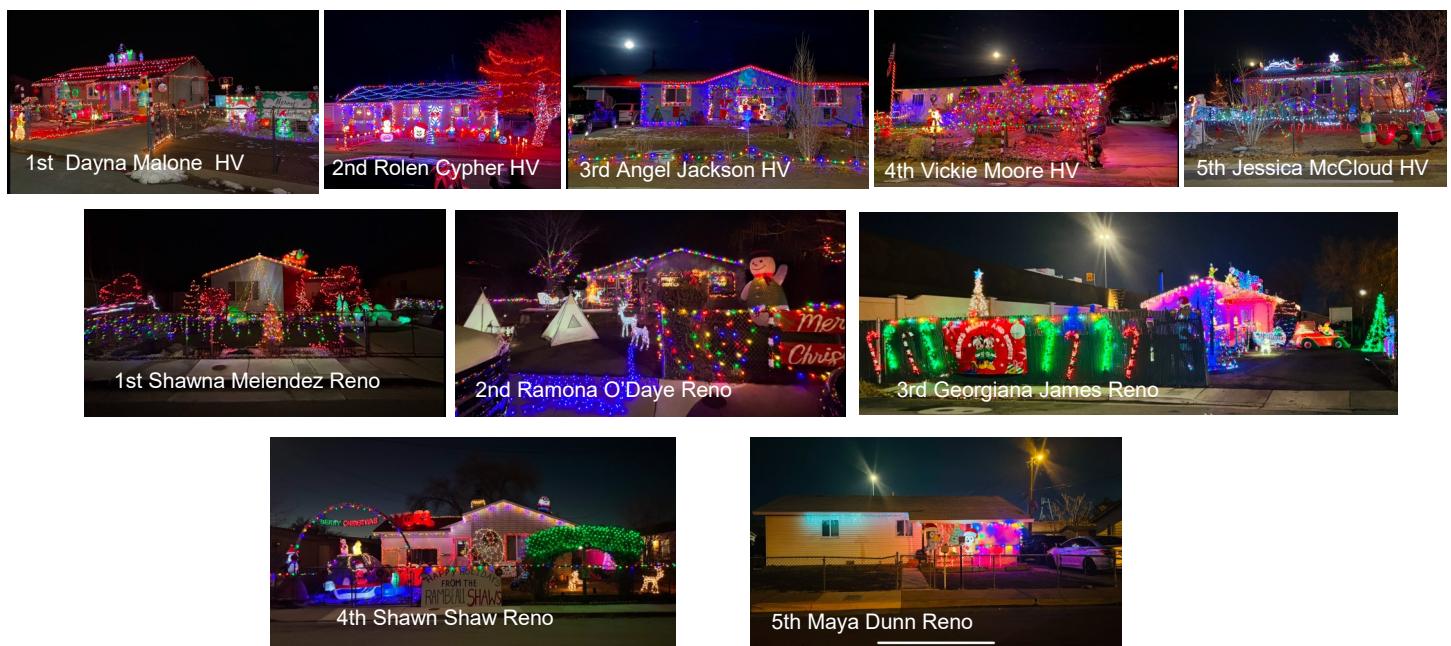
**(775) 329-5162 ext. 7785**

# Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Community Christmas Dinner

The annual RSIC Christmas Dinner was held at the Reno gym hosted by the Recreation Program. Santa and Mrs. Claus made a quick visit to pose for pictures the kids and families, The kids received gifts from Santa and a raffle from Tribal Council for those 18 years and older.



2024 Reno and Hungry Valley Christmas House Decorating Contest Winners





# Talking Circle

w/ MICHELLE JIM-KATENAY  
CADC-S, LMSW, CSW-I

MONDAYS  
4:00pm-5:00pm

For more information please call  
(775) 329-5162 ext. 2014 or email  
mkatenay@rsicclinic.org

RSTHC Behavioral Health

RENO SPARKS TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER  
MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION



## MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION & MEDICATION DELIVERIES



RSTHC is happy to announce that we are open for patient transport to your scheduled appointments.

Transport is limited to persons residing in Reno, Sparks, North Valleys, and Hungry Valley without other means of transportation.

To schedule a ride or medication delivery please call  
(775) 329-5162 ext. 7714

We require a minimum of 24 hrs notice but encourage you to schedule as soon as you can.

Wheelchair accessible.

## Red Road



Service  
Spiritual Awareness  
Perseverance  
Justice  
Forgiveness  
Humility  
Willingness  
Integrity  
Courage  
Faith  
Hope  
Honesty

RSTHC Behavioral Health

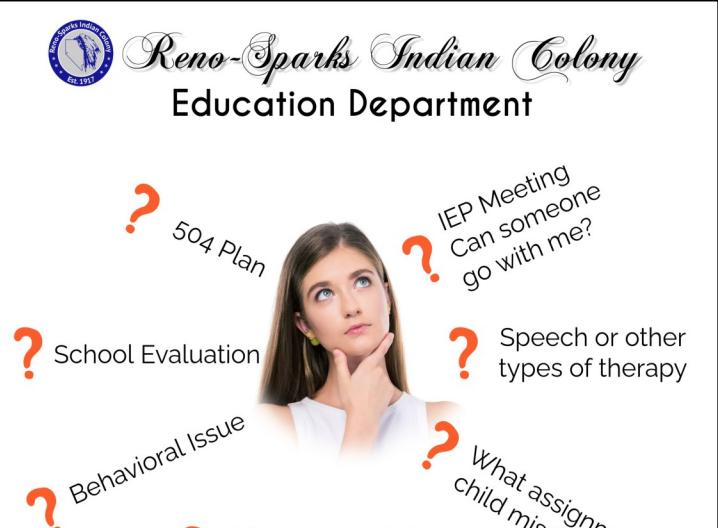
During these meetings you will have the opportunity to listen to others and share your experience, strength, and hope.

These meetings will focus on creating new thought patterns, new attitudes, and new feelings about yourself and not on "fixing" other people

**FRIDAYS 4:00 PM**  
LOCATION: Behavioral Health Conference Room

For more information call:  
(775) 329-5162 ext. 2014

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
Education Department



504 Plan  
School Evaluation  
Behavioral Issue  
What are my rights as a Parent/Guardian?  
IEP Meeting  
Can someone go with me?  
Speech or other types of therapy  
What assignments is my child missing?

Meet the newest member of RSIC's Education Department,  
Susan Zeiter  
Student Family Support Advisor  
Assisting Families With A Child Who Has An IEP or 504 Plan

SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT PLEASE CALL:  
OFFICE: (775) 329-6114 EXT. 5131 OR CELL: (775) 224-2764

## THREE NATIONS WELLNESS CENTER

### WORKOUT CLASS SCHEDULE

#### MONDAY

12:15-12:45 PM - F.I.T. (FUN INTERVAL TRAINING) WITH WALI

#### TUESDAY

12:15-12:45 PM - POWER HALF HOUR WITH MICHELLE

#### WEDNESDAY

12:15-12:45 PM - STEP WITH WALI

#### THURSDAY

12:15-12:45 PM - BEND & EXTEND STRETCHING WITH TIFFANY

#### FRIDAY

12:15-12:45 - SPIN WITH MICHELLE

### → NEW GYM HOURS ←

MONDAY 8:00-7:00PM

TUESDAY 8:00AM-7:00PM

WEDNESDAY 8:00AM-1:00PM

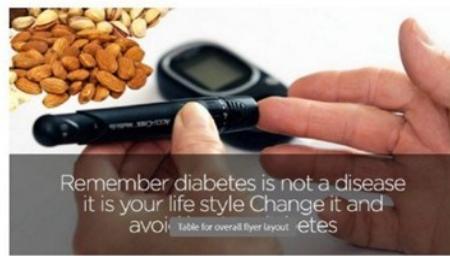
THURSDAY 8:00AM-7:00PM

FRIDAY 8:00AM-5:00PM

STARTING 1/2/2024

CLASSES ARE FIRST COME FIRST SERVE

FOR ANY QUESTIONS CALL 3NWC AT 775-329-5162



What happens on Diabetes Thursday?

Provider Visit

Annual Lab Work

Foot Exam

Meet with a

Dietitian

and Exercise Trainer

Receive a food recipe with all of the ingredients

After your visit you will receive a call from the Dental and Optometry Depts.

If necessary.

## DIABETES THURSDAYS

## TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR DIABETES TODAY

Call (775) 329-5162 Ext. 1958 / 1989 to schedule a Diabetes Thursday appointment.

RENO SPARKS TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER

1715 Kuenzli Street  
Reno, NV 89502

### ENROLLMENT OFFICE

#### W9 UPDATES | ALL ENROLLED TRIBAL MEMBERS

Please make sure to update any address or name changes to our office for YOUR records. This is also for all Tribal Members who are minors.

Any Tribal Member turning 18 years old will need a new W9 in their name and signature for any education or monetary assistance.

← W9's are available in the Enrollment Office, Finance, or IRS.GOV →

Phone: 775-785-1306 | Fax: 775-329-2781

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# Combining Technology and Tradition to Transform Indigenous/Indian Healthcare

By: Colin Hung, Reporter for Healthcare IT Today (Published on December 2, 2024)

The resourceful and caring team at [Reno Sparks Tribal Health Center](#) (RSTHC) has been leveraging technology from NextGen Healthcare (NextGen) to deliver quality care to the American Indians in their community. Now, with the recent CMS announcement, they will be able to add traditional medicine.

Healthcare IT Today had the opportunity to sit down with Angie Wilson, Tribal Health Director at RSTHC while she was attending the 2024 NextGen User Group Meeting (#NextGenUGM24). We wanted to find out more about their use of NextGen's EHR and how the announcement from CMS will affect how they deliver care.

## Key Takeaways

**1. EHR is the central nervous system.** RSTHC uses NextGen's EHR system to streamline operations, improve patient engagement, and reduce clinician burnout. It is their “central nervous system”.

**2. Addition of traditional medicine will improve care.** Adding culturally appropriate care will encourage more people to seek care from the community. It will also give patients more choice in the care they receive.

**NextGen helped with emergency preparedness.** Because the NextGen EHR held up-to-date patient contact information, during a recent wildfire, RSTHC was able to quickly identify and assist hundreds of evacuated patients.

**Leveraging NextGen's EHR as the Central Nervous System**—In northern Nevada, the Reno Sparks Tribal Health Center (RSTHC) serves over 6,000 American Indians and Alaska Natives with a full range of services, from primary care and behavioral health to optometry and specialized diabetes care.

At the heart of RSTHC's operational success is NextGen's electronic health record (EHR) system, which Wilson describes as the “central nervous system”.

Since adopting the platform in 2015, RSTHC has utilized tools like population health analytics and AI-powered charting to enhance efficiency and reduce clinician burnout. These advancements have not only improved face-to-face patient interactions but have also led to remarkable operational success including doubling clinic revenue in just two years through a combination of optimized workflows and proactive patient engagement.

“The population health capability is phenomenal,” said Wil-

son. “It gives me all the tools that I need as a tribal health administrator to look at the decisions I make and how to drive the clinic forward. I can see how my decisions will impact revenue, pre-visit planning, and preventative patient outreach. Population health

## Inclusion of Traditional Medicine is Transformative

The recent [CMS approval of traditional medicine](#) in four states, including neighboring California and Oregon, marks a transformative moment for Indigenous communities.

“It is a very exciting time for us here in the United States and Indian country,” stated Wilson. “I sit on the CMS Tribal Technical Advisory Group, and I can tell you this is a groundbreaking and historic time. We will be able to incorporate cultural values and practices in traditional ways into the primary care practice.”

Combining Western with Traditional medicine could break down barriers to care by fostering trust and encouraging more individuals to seek medical attention.

“It's about giving patients healthcare that aligns with their cultural values,” Wilson added.

## Innovative Use of NextGen EHR During a Wildfire

RSTHC's innovative use of technology had an unexpected benefit. During [recent wildfires](#), population health analytics enabled the center to identify and reach out to over 200 evacuated patients in minutes. This capability not only ensured continuity of care during a crisis but also reinforced trust within the community.

"The beautiful thing was that NextGen's population health analytics solution has geospatial data," explained Wilson. "We were able to plug in the zip codes and able to get a patient list of everybody that was evacuated. It took seconds. Being able to do targeted outreach to them in an emergency situation was phenomenal."

According to Wilson, even the Nevada State Emergency Service was impressed.

"We are proud of this system," said Wilson. "I am really proud of the work that we have put in to showcase it and have it be what we need it to be to meet our overall goals in the community."

Learn more about Reno Sparks Tribal Health Center at <https://www.rsic.org/186/Health-Center>

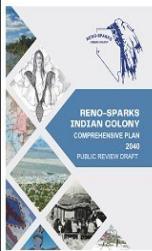
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## Senior Program Christmas Dinner and Bingo



Senior Christmas Dinner and Bingo was held December 12, 2024 and the seniors were treated to a prime rib dinner and desserts and followed up by a few fun games of Bingo. For those Seniors who have not filled out their 2025 annual senior client registration was a good time to do so. If you have not completed your 2025 RSIC Senior Program Client Registration, please do so, to avoid disruption of service. Also there will be a raffle drawing February 13, 2025. For more information or assistance, stop by Senior Program or call: 775 785-1349.



# Planning Accomplishments 2024

## Planning and Community Development Department Accomplishments

The Planning and Community Development Department goals for 2024 focused on long-range planning, public health and safety, transportation safety, and facility master plans. Below are the goals and specific actions that were included in the Department's 2024 Budget along with the status for each action.

### Goal 1: Prepare long-range planning documents to guide development decisions that meet the housing, community facility, and economic development needs of the Colony.

Objective 1a. Adopt 2040 Comprehensive Plan

*Status: The 2040 Comprehensive Plan is scheduled to go before Tribal Council on January 29, 2025 for adoption.*

Objective 1b. Adopt the Pow Grounds Master Plan.

*Status: The Tribal Council adopted the Pow Wow Grounds Master Plan on September 25, 2024.*

### Goal 2: Improve public health and safety on the Colony

Objective 2a: Adopt a Building Code during 2024.

*Status: The Tribal Council adopted Ordinance 62, the Building Code Ordinance, on June 12, 2024.*

Objective 2b: Update the Critical Land Use Standards and Development Planning Guidelines (2000) for residential, commercial, and community facility development (e.g., setbacks, parking, etc.).

*Status: The Department will begin preparing new development regulations during 2025 instead of using the guidelines included in the 2000 Comprehensive Plan.*

Objective 2c: Remove at least 10 additional inoperable vehicles with the voluntary vehicle "rescue" program managed by the department.

*Status: The Department helped four community members remove unregistered vehicles during 2024.*

Objective 2d: Assist Tribal Police and Prosecutor with litter and public nuisance citations by providing solid waste removal services for serious violations.

*Status: The Department worked with Tribal Police to enforce the Solid Waste Ordinance regulations, which resulted in the removal of six vehicles from one property in Reno.*

Objective 2e: Continue to hold annual Clean Up Days in Reno and Hungry Valley.

*Status: The Department held three Clean Up Days in 2024 with the Public Works Department.*

### Goal 3: Increase safety of pedestrians and bicyclists who walk or bike through the Colony

Objective 3a: Pursue additional funding for the final design and construction of the Truckee River Path.

*Status: The Department worked with regional partners during 2024 to pursue the final design and construction of the Truckee River Shared-Use Path.*

Objective 3b: Prepare Draft Transportation Safety Plan to address safety issues in Reno and Hungry Valley.

*Status: Staff worked with the City of Reno and the Regional Transportation Commission to analyze transportation safety issues impacting the Reno Colony. One community meeting was held in April and staff will focus on transportation safety issues in Hungry Valley during 2025.*

### Goal 4: Carry out Facility Master Plans to address Community Facility Needs on the Colony

Objective 4a: Adopt a Pow Grounds Master Plan and pursue funding to implement the adopted Master Plan.

*Status: Staff will begin to apply for grants to prepare the design plans for the Pow Wow Grounds Master Plan during 2025.*

Objective 4b: Assist the Health Center with the preparation of the Wellness Center Facility Plan for 1555 Kuenzli Street.

*Status: Staff assisted the Health Center with development plans at 1555 Kuenzli by submitting the draft fee to trust application on December 2, 2024 to the Bureau of Indian Affairs.*

Thank you to all the community members who participated in our surveys during 2024. Your input was valuable and appreciated.

Please contact us at [planning@rsic.org](mailto:planning@rsic.org) or at 775-785-1363 if you have any questions.

# UPDATE YOUR TRIBAL ID



## OFFICE HOURS:

**MONDAY - FRIDAY**

**8:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

- ✓ Tribal ID's have a four (4) year expiration date
- ✓ The new Chairman's signature is on the back
- ✓ If you are turning 18 years old, you need an updated picture and a W9 in your name for any monetary assistance or educational purposes.
- ✓ RSIC Department's will no longer accept a Tribal ID without an expiration date or an expired Tribal ID.
- ✓ Update your name change or information w/Enrollment.

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## RENO EDUCATION TUTORING ASSISTANCE

RENO EDUCATION BLDG. D \*\*\* MORE INFO 775-329-6114

**STARTING TUESDAY AUGUST 27, 2024**

**EVERY TUESDAYS/THURSDAYS**

Elementary School  
Arrival: 4:00pm  
Departure: 4:45pm

Middle School  
Arrival: 3:00pm  
Departure: 4:00pm

High School  
Arrival: 2:45pm  
Departure: 3:45pm

## TUTORING ROOM \* COMPUTER ROOM



- ✓ Homework Help
- ✓ Reading Groups
- ✓ Individual Help
- ✓ Computer Room/Printer
- ✓ Laptops
- ✓ Snacks Provided



- ✓ Attendance Incentives
- ✓ Language/Culture Visits
- ✓ RSIC Presenters
- ✓ Transportation
- ✓ (Reno Colony Only)
- ✓ Lots of FUN

All times are allotted for each grade to assure academic needs are being met. If the student needs more time, RSIC Education Department will stay on site until student(s) is finished.

## AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING

for all K-12  
students

HOMEWORK AND  
READING SUPPORT

SNACKS AND  
TRANSPORTATION  
PROVIDED

**STARTING 08/19  
MONDAY TO THURSDAY  
3PM - 5PM.  
@ HUNGRY VALLEY EDUCATION**



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## Hungry Valley Fire Department

Hungry Valley Fire Department had an active year, we onboarded an Assistant Fire Management Coordinator and crew has been involved in numerous events, activities, meetings, briefings, trainings, as well as instructor opportunities. Our incident runs/calls totaled 116 and included 57 medical, 3 Motor Vehicle Accidents (MVA), 2 MVA fires, 22 brushfires, 2 structure fire related responses, and 30 varied activities/events.

HV Fire has participated in a multitude of meetings with both RSIC departments and outside agencies such as the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC), National Weather Service, and more. Our Coordinators are involved with ongoing meetings with Truckee Meadows Fire regarding mutual aid with the Hungry Valley Fire Department. We also accompanied RSIC Assistant Emergency Manager to meet with the Reno Fire Department the RSIC automatic aid agreement. We helped update the Hazard Mitigation Plan, Extreme Heat Plan, Snow Plan, building codes, RAVE messaging protocols, RSIC Public Safety Cadet Program, FEMA Region 9 interoperability, RFQ for mowing fire breaks around the Hungry Valley Community, access management and new signage in Hungry Valley and negotiations for purchasing Track Skid Steer and Mastication equipment for cost effective local fire break management. We consulted in the Mendez grazing and water rights acquisition, Powwow events, and provided guidance to Susanville Indian Rancheria EM, Scott Dixon. Staff also attended daily meetings with Davis Fire Incident Management Team and RSIC Emergency Operations Center to prepare for RSIC's emergency declaration.

Department Leadership assisted in a short presentation on Emergency Response challenges and interoperability of tribal response to the United States Department of State Exchange Program from South Africa, this was facilitated by the University of Nevada Reno (UNR) International Program Coordinator. Staff attended and conducted a variety of trainings, exercises and workshops to include; CPR/First Aid, recurring Wildland Fire, Active Shooter, Narcan, RAVE system, First Due paging system, Radon Education, Hazardous Material Awareness (HMA), Hazardous Materials Decontamination (DECON), Child Endangerment workshop, Northern Nevada Public Health multi-agency Response to Chemical Release 2-day Exercise, and National Incident Management System (NIMS) ICS 100c, 200c, 300, 400, 700b, 800d and G191.

Hungry Valley Fire Department is always recruiting. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming a volunteer, please call (775) 785-1339.



## RENO SPARKS INDIAN COLONY

### COURIERS WANTED 2025

Must be 13 years or older  
Reno & Hungry Valley

RSIC Front Office is looking for community members to deliver flyers to Reno & Hungry Valley.

Administration office located at 34 Reservation Rd Reno, NV 89502  
Office hours 8am-5pm  
Mon-Fri



Reno Rates:  
Flyers: \$25  
Camp News: \$70

Hungry Valley Rates:  
Flyers: \$40  
Camp News: \$90

You can stop by the Administration Office to pick up a contract or contact us either by phone or email [ncivers@rsic.org](mailto:ncivers@rsic.org)

**775-329-2936**

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## Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Police Department



### GET HOME RESPONSIBLY DURING THE HOLIDAYS

### DON'T RISK DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED. CALL A TAXI OR RIDESHARE

TAXI- (775) 400-3009

UBER- (833) 873-8237

LYFT- (707) 663-4025

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION (775) 348-7433

FOR ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT US AT:

775-785-8776

[www.rsic.org](http://www.rsic.org)

## Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal Police Department



### ATTENTION ALL DOG OWNERS! ORDINANCE I-I-2

PLEASE RESTRAIN YOUR DOGS IN YOUR HOME, FENCE, CAGE OR LEASH

PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW DOGS TO RUN AT-LARGE.

IF YOUR DOG IS AGGRESSIVE, YOU MUST REGISTER YOUR DOG WITH THE TRIBAL POLICE.

AGGRESSIVE DOGS MUST BE CONFINED IN A FENCED ENCLOSURE (12 FEET BY 12 FEET).

FOR ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT US AT:

775-785-8776

[www.rsic.org](http://www.rsic.org)



# RSIC Presents: New Year's Eve Sobriety Powwow 2025

(RENO, NV.) Looking for a family friendly, sober NYE celebration full of tradition? Join us for the 21st Annual New Year's Eve Sobriety Powwow on Tuesday, December 31st, 4pm-12:30am at the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC) Gym: 34 Reservation Road, Building #B, Reno, NV.

It's a FREE=FAMILY FRIENDLY event for all ages. Everyone is invited to participate, inclusive of our non-native friends.

Powwows gather people from all walks of life and this powwow focuses on sober traditions that reflect RSIC's values and goals. It brings an exciting opportunity to create memorable experiences without the influence of alcohol or substances.

In its 21st year, everyone in attendance will welcome the New Year with drums, songs, and rounding dancing; all while passing cultural practices from one generation to the next.

Traditionally, Native Americans acknowledge the New Year 2 weeks before the modern-day January 1st celebration; through the sun, mountains & stars. The old ones used astronomical observations to create calendars and the passing of time. Ceremonies, songs and prayers are held to honor the universe as we are all connect-



New Years Eve Sobriety Powwow 2023—Girls Jingle Dress Special

ed.

The annual New Year's Eve Sobriety Powwow does not forget these teachings and honors the dancing, prayers and songs to heal our nations and continue to provide a sober, safe and fun event on the biggest drinking holiday of the year!

Alongside the powwow, there will be Indigenous artists selling handmade beadwork, quill work, silverwork, paintings, native-style clothing and traditional foods.

All powwow attendees will be able to partake in free raffle door prizes, the sobriety chip giveaway, cake walks, & more. No one will get bored.

The RSIC New Year's Eve Sobriety Powwow began in 2003. The RSIC community was experiencing an increase in drug

abuse and a committee was formed, the Drug Elimination Task Force (DETF). The DETF provided work programs for the various RSIC government departments. One of these programs became a notable community event, the Annual New Year's Eve Pow-Wow: A Sobriety Celebration.

We hope you and your family can make the time to swing by our sober event.

This event is organized by the RSIC Powwow Committee and sponsored by Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Center, Travel Nevada and Nevada's Indian Territory.

For more info, please contact RSIC Powwow Committee at [powwow@rsic.org](mailto:powwow@rsic.org) or Bethany Sam at [bsam@rsic.org](mailto:bsam@rsic.org) or 775-842-2902.

2025

Happy New Year

# OPEN GAME\$ & CELEBRATION

Come join us as we ring in the New Year!

NDN Taco Sale!

Free NYE Swag!

Games all night!



DOORS OPEN AT 6PM

ALCOHOL AND DRUG FREE EVENT

DECEMBER 31, 2024

34 RESERVATION RD, RENO, NV

RSIC HG COMMITTEE EVENT

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
**POWWOW COMMITTEE**  
PRESENTS

# 2025

## NEW YEAR'S EVE SOBRIETY POWWOW

RENO GYMNASIUM

(34 Reservation Road, Bldg B, Reno, NV)

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 31, 2024**

DOORS WILL OPEN AT 3PM

POWWOW HOURS: 4PM-12:30AM

**Head Man:**

**Skush Poodry**

**Head Woman:**

**Tashina Jim**

**Head Teen Boy:**

**Max Padilla**

**Head Teen Girl:**

**Alani Barr**

**Host Drum:**

**Red Hoop**

**Arena Director:**

**Jack Williams**

**MC:**

**Martin Montgomery**

Sobriety Chip Giveaway

Gifts for Dancers & More

\*5 Vendor Spaces Only

\*THIS IS AN ALCOHOL & DRUG FREE EVENT

**HEAD STAFF SPECIALS:**

~ 18+ Men's Traditional

~ 15+ Jingle Dress

~ Junior/Teen Boys Grass

~ Teen Girls Contemporary Fancy Shawl

**GENERAL INFO:**

Anita Talancon 775-338-3723

Lorri Chasing Crow 775-560-2788

Bridgette Stump (Vendors) 775-846-5997

Sharron Yazzie 775-750-4589

MEDIA REQUESTS: Bethany Sam 775-842-2902

The RSIC Powwow Committee is NOT RESPONSIBLE for any damages, loss of personal property, short funded travelers, etc.  
Event Sponsored by Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Center, Travel Nevada & Nevada's Indian Territory