



March 2026

TRIBAL NEWSLETTER

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QUARTERLY UPDATE

MARCH 7TH 2026 - GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING

At the Community Center | Doors Open at 8AM | Starting at 8:30AM

AGENDA TOPICS FOR DISCUSSED INCLUDED:

- BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE'S QUARTERLY BUDGET UPDATE
- BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE'S SEWER RATE STUDY FINDINGS
- WANAAHA CASINO QUARTERLY BUDGET UPDATE
- WANAAHA HOTEL UPDATE

This meeting is for Bishop Paiute Tribal Members only, which those who wish to attend can attend in person or virtually.

Breakfast will be provided, please contact us to stay informed and updated with the Bishop Paiute Tribe current operations!



Joining by Zoom?

- Please join with your first and last name to be let into the meeting from the virtual waiting room.
- Zoom begins at 8:25AM
- Viewers must be enrolled Bishop Paiute Tribal Members.
- All viewers must remain muted, failure to do so may result in being removed from the meeting.

EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY

On March 6, 2026 - Bishop Paiute Tribal Offices will be closed for the annual staff appreciation day! Staff will be treated to a movie day at the Bishop Twin Theatre and will return to regular operations and services on March 9, 2026. The Bishop Paiute Tribe would like to thank all their employees for their hard work and dedication to the tribe.





2026 UPCOMING GENERAL MEETINGS:

The Bishop Paiute Tribe has updated the upcoming General Council Meeting dates for 2026. The new meeting dates will be held Saturday mornings on the following dates listed;

- March 7, 2026
- September 19, 2026
- June 6, 2026
- December 5, 2026

*** These meetings are only for Bishop Paiute Tribal Members and required Tribal Staff***
We will be serving breakfast at 8:00AM and the meeting will begin at 8:30AM. If you would like to add an agenda item, please contact Ambrosia Stone (760) 873-3584 ext. 1200.



2026 UPCOMING DISTRIBUTION DATES:

DEADLINE TO REGISTER:

- ~~JANUARY 12, 2026~~
- APRIL 13, 2026
- JULY 13, 2026
- OCTOBER 12, 2026

DISTRIBUTION DATE:

- ~~FEBRUARY 11, 2026~~
- MAY 13, 2026
- AUGUST 12, 2026
- NOVEMBER 11, 2026

CRITERIA THAT MUST BE MET:

- MUST BE 21 YEARS OF AGE - PROOF OF AGE (DRIVERS LICENSE, TRIBAL ID/CALIFORNIA ID OR BIRTH CERTIFICATE).
- TRIBAL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION - (RESOLUTION OR TRIBAL ID CARD).
- RESIDENCY VERIFICATION - MUST BE A PERMANENT RESIDENT OF/ON THE BISHOP PAIUTE RESERVATION, ROUND VALLEY, RED HILL, OR THE CITY OF BISHOP.

Examples of residency verification:

Envelope with postdated stamp within the last 30 days prior to submitting application, utility bill

IF YOU HAVE BEEN INCARCERATED OVER 24 HOURS, YOU MUST RE-REGISTER

IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY A REGISTERED VOTER, NO ACTION NEEDED.

REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE LOBBY AT THE TRIBAL OFFICE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS, CALL THE TRIBAL OFFICE 760-873-3584





Community Update from the Chairman

Chairman Steven Orihuela | Washington, DC Advocacy Recap | February 11–12, 2026

Manahüü Tuihaga,

Nüügwa Tuihino'o Tswau Nana-'Itawa-Wei

I recently returned from Washington, DC, where CEO Ted Wright and I proudly represented the Bishop Paiute Tribe in a series of high-level meetings focused on infrastructure, economic development, and tribal tax policy. I am pleased to share a recap of what we accomplished on your behalf.

Federal Advocacy Meetings

During our time in DC, we met directly with members of Congress, U.S. Senators, federal agency officials, and key committee staff, including:

- Office of Senator Alex Padilla
- Office of Senator Catherine Cortez Masto
- Senator Adam Schiff
- Office of Congresswoman Gwen Moore (Tax Counsel)
- Economic Development Administration (EDA) Tribal Coordinator
- Members of the House Financial Services Committee (staff)
- Democratic Caucus leadership and BOLD PAC roundtable

These meetings were strategic and targeted which ensures that the Bishop Paiute Tribe remains visible, respected, and positioned for federal investment opportunities.

Infrastructure: Our Top Priority

One of our primary objectives was advocating for critical infrastructure funding for our Reservation.

As many of you know, our Reservation consists of 875 acres - a small portion of the 67,000 acres originally set aside for our Tribe in 1912. While surrounding infrastructure developed extensively to serve Los Angeles and the broader region, our own water and wastewater systems have suffered from decades of underinvestment.

We emphasized the urgent need to:

- Conduct a comprehensive infrastructure assessment
- Develop a long-term master plan
- Replace 10,000–14,000 linear feet of aging wastewater pipe
- Upgrade or install 15–20 new manholes
- Reduce the financial burden of wastewater treatment costs

Brief Update on DOI Water Rights Assessment

I briefly mentioned to Secretary Burgum and Assistant Secretary Kirkland the current status of the Department of the Interior's water rights assessment here in the Owens Valley. I emphasized the importance of ensuring our Tribe's water rights are fully recognized, accurately assessed, and protected moving forward.



Department of Commerce



Secretary of Interior
Doug Burgum



U.S. Senator Adam Schiff



Asst. Secretary Billy Kirkland



Community Update from the Chairman Cont.

We discussed pursuing EPA State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG) funding, including Congressionally Directed Spending opportunities to overcome the “chicken and egg” funding barrier we have previously faced.

Funding requests discussed include:

- \$1.2 million for infrastructure planning and master plan development
- \$7.5–8.5 million for full wastewater system improvements (with scalable phased options beginning around \$772,000)

Our message was clear: investment in Bishop Paiute infrastructure is not optional - it is necessary for public health, housing expansion, and economic development.

Economic Development & Tax Policy

In addition to infrastructure, we advanced discussions on:

- Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) and tribal housing equity
- Tribal access to federal tax incentives
- Economic Development Administration resources for feasibility and planning
- Long-term strategies to diversify our economy and strengthen tribal enterprises

These conversations position our Tribe to leverage federal tools that can support housing, job creation, and long-term self-sufficiency.

Strengthening Relationships

Beyond specific funding requests, this trip strengthened relationships with congressional offices and federal agencies. Advocacy is not a one-time event, it is ongoing relationship-building. Each meeting builds credibility and ensures that when opportunities arise, Bishop Paiute is at the table.

Moving Forward

This trip was productive and fulfilled its objectives. We successfully:

- ✓ Delivered our infrastructure priorities directly to decision-makers
- ✓ Positioned the Tribe for Congressionally Directed Spending opportunities
- ✓ Advanced housing and economic development conversations
- ✓ Strengthened bipartisan relationships in both the House and Senate

Your Tribal Council is prioritizing infrastructure improvement in 2026, and this federal advocacy is a critical piece of that work. We will continue to pursue every available avenue to secure resources that improve quality of life, expand opportunity, and build a stronger future for our Tribe. Thank you for your continued trust and support.

Manahobü

Steven Orihuela
Chairman
Bishop Paiute Tribe



Update from the Vice- Chairwoman

Manahüü Nümüü!

I am just four months shy of having served as your Vice-Chairwoman for the last two years. My time spent in service to my tribal community has been interesting and challenging at times. I have always advocated on behalf of tribal members and strive to ensure that tangible services are provided to the tribal community. Leading with transparency is very important to me - so here is a snapshot of what I am working towards as your elected Tribal Council member.

In the works...

Land Back! I have been pushing the Tribal Council to take an active role in pursuing getting trust lands (i.e. Forest Service and BLM lands) and privately owned lands back to the Tribe. It is my goal to have a Land Back Taskforce/Committee created within the next month - this will consist of staff, Legal Counsel, Tribal members, Land Trust Organizations and consultants. WE, as a tribe, need to get the ball rolling in getting our homelands returned to us. More recently, I have seen other surrounding tribes secure hundreds of acres of their ancestral homelands which is wonderful and a win for all Tribes across Indian Country. This needs to be a high priority for the Tribe's and something that I will continuously not give up on throughout my term.

Recreation Center - Another long-time goal of the Tribe's. The goal is to develop a big facility (i.e. pool, sauna, fitness, spaces for meetings etc.). This can be achieved in phases and through grants, charitable and foundation funding. This is a common goal amongst the Tribal Council and will remain a goal that can be accomplished in the near future.

Archiving - This is so important to the Tribe in safeguarding our most important documents and records. The Tribe is in the process of obtaining digital archiving services to finally get this done.

General Welfare Exclusion (GWE) Fund - the Tribal Council is working on this - some considerations are to utilize a portion of these funds to provide tangible services, such as, possibly covering Tribal Elders water and sewer bills. Elders are to be respected and honored - I have a meaningful dedication to ensuring our Elders are taken care of. This is ongoing and will also have an opportunity for community input too.

Transparency - as an elected Tribal Council member I am a huge proponent in having our Business and Regular meeting minutes made available to the Tribal Community. This is what I have always pushed for and will soon come to fruition with the Tribal Members only portal. This information should be accessible soon.

Compliance and Quality Assurance - as a Tribal Council member I believe our Tribal members should have the best services and programs available to them. Ensuring that customer service and professionalism are practiced at our offices is extremely important.

These are some highlights that I have touched on and been actively pursuing throughout my term. I am always here and will advocate for the Numuu. Staying grounded and in touch with my fellow Tribal members is what I do not lose sight of. I am your elected official and do not forget whom I serve and what I represent. I look forward to seeing many of you at the next General Council meeting!

Many blessings!

Emma William, Vice Chairwoman

BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE

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Public Service Announcement

For Immediate Release:

February 20, 2026

Contact: Ambrosia Stone

Phone: (760) 873-3584

Email: ambrosia.stone@bishoppaiute.org

Sex Offender Registry Protocol

The Bishop Paiute Tribe Administration would like to inform the Tribal Community that the Bishop Paiute Tribal Police Department will begin registering individuals living on the Bishop Paiute Reservation in accordance with the Sex Offender Ordinance, Title 7-Health and Safety, Chapter 7.8- Sex Offender Code. The ordinance mandates that "persons who are convicted as an adult or adjudicated as a minor of a sex offense that requires that person to register as a sex offender shall be required to register as a sex offender with the Bishop Paiute Tribe's Chief of Police: a) A person who resides within the exterior boundaries of the Reservation; b) A person who is employed or is acting as a volunteer within the exterior boundaries of the Reservation; c) A person who intends to visit the Reservation for more than five (5) consecutive days, or does in fact visit the Reservation for five (5) or calendar days despite that person's initial intentions to do so; d) A person who attends school within the exterior boundaries of the Reservation. "

Registration will begin February 23, 2026, and will continue on a consistent basis.

Our goal is to keep our people informed, supported, and protected. If you have any inquiries, please feel free to contact Chris Aukee, Interim Tribal Police Chief at (760)-873-4477 or Ambrosia Stone, COO at (760) 873-3584.

ANNOUNCEMENT IS AUTHENTICATED:

For: Bishop Paiute Tribe
50 Tu Su Lane
Bishop, CA 93514

Authorized By: **Steven Orihuela**
Tribal Chairman
Bishop Paiute Tribe

Steven Orihuela
Chairman

Emma Williams
Vice-Chairwoman

Meryl Picard
Secretary/Treasurer

Jeff Romero
Council Member

Chad Delgado
Council Member



IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL DOG OWNERS

ALL DOGS ON THE BISHOP PAIUTE RESERVATION MUST BE

 **CONTROLLED**  **SECURED**  **PROPERLY CONFINED**

AT ALL TIMES, FAILURE TO DO SO THE DOG OWNER WILL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE.

THE DOG OWNER WILL BE CONTACTED AND GIVEN CITATION FOR LOOSE OR OUT OF CONTROL DOGS WHICH DOG OWNERS WILL NEED TO ATTEND TRIBAL COURT.

ALL PET OWNERS ON THE BISHOP PAIUTE RESERVATION ARE HELD

 **RESPONSIBLE**  **ACCOUNTABLE**

FOR THEIR ANIMALS ON THE BISHOP PAIUTE RESERVATION, AT ALL TIMES.

FOR QUESTIONS OR TO MAKE ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT, PLEASE CONTACT THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER AT

 (760)920-5698



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HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICE

Recruitment Information:

If you are interested in applying at the Bishop Paiute Tribe, please contact the Human Resource Office for more information.

Job listings & descriptions

Employment Applications & Resumes

Contact Information:

Phone #: (760)873-3584

EXT. 1620

Recruiting@bishoppaiute.org

New Hire

BPDC Assistant Director

Community Message:



Javier Kinney
BPDC Assistant Director

Javier I. Kinney is a Yurok Tribal citizen and honored to join the Bishop Paiute Development Corporation as the Assistant Director. He has attained a dual Bachelor of Arts Degree in History and Native American Studies, from UC Davis, Master's of Arts in Law and Diplomacy from the Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy, specializing in Development Economics and Int'l Law, Tufts University, and a Juris Doctorate, from Suffolk Law School. Kinney has 25+ years working with Tribal Governments and tribal business ventures with expertise in direct strategic actions, business development, leadership and governance, natural resources management, cultural resources protection and international diplomacy. Additionally, he has led international delegations to Venezuela, Bolivia, Mexico, Germany, Jamaica, Hungary, Norway, Brazil, United Arab Emirates, Egypt and Switzerland. He looks forward to working with the Bishop Paiute team and furthering the inherent economic sovereignty rights by assisting in creating generational wealth for the Bishop Paiute peoples.



New Hire

Interim Bishop Paiute Tribal Police

Community Message:

Interim Bishop Paiute Tribal Police Chief Chris Aukee serves as a dedicated member of the Bishop Paiute Tribal Police, bringing 5 years of experience in public safety and community service. Chief Aukee has attended training at the Indian Police Academy in Artesia NM and completed his P.O.S.T. basic sworn academy at the Riverside Ben Clark training center. Throughout his career he has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to protecting and serving the community with integrity, professionalism, and respect. Chris Aukee will strive to accomplish advancing the department's mission while continuing to develop strong partnerships with the Bishop Paiute Tribe, Tribal entities and the community they serve. Chris Aukee will diligently lead the Bishop Paiute Tribal Police Department regarding their dedication to ongoing training and professional development, ensuring they remain well-prepared to meet the evolving needs of the community. Interim Chief Chris Aukee takes pride in continually perusing to build trust, promoting safety, and upholding the highest standards of law enforcement service within the Bishop Paiute reservation.



Interim Bishop Paiute Tribal Police Chief Chris Aukee

New Hire

Boys & Girls Club Coordinator



Boys & Girls Club Coordinator
Victoria Begay

Community Message:

Manahuu, my name is Victoria Begay. I was born on the Navajo Nation and raised here on our beautiful Nuumu homelands. I am the daughter of Leonard Begay and the late Sarah Vega, and the proud granddaughter of the late Peggy and Wayne Vega. I come from a large family and deeply value the time we spend together creating lasting memories. My educational background is in Human Services, and my passion for youth work began as a youth worker at Tuniwa Nobi through the Summer Youth Work Experience Program. Working with the Bishop Paiute Tribe and Toiyabe has given me the opportunity to help support successful youth programs throughout our valley.

I am honored to serve as the Boys and Girls Club Coordinator. I am excited to see this new program grow and thrive in our community. As this is a brand-new program, we appreciate everyone's patience as our team builds a strong foundation, with hopes of developing a dedicated facility in the future. This program opens new opportunities for our youth, and I am committed to creating a safe, supportive space for our tribal youth to learn and grow.



JUDGE DEAN T. STOUT

JUDGE STOUT IS OFFICIALLY RETIRING AS THE TRIBAL COURT CHIEF JUDGE



**BISHOP TRIBAL COUNCIL
WILL BE HONORING HIS
MANY CONTRIBUTIONS
TO THE BISHOP PAIUTE
TRIBAL COMMUNITY.**

His knowledge of State and Local systems, and his relationships with State and local officials has helped create many successfully collaborative efforts, including our Tribal Youth Healing to Wellness Court and Tribal Youth Attendance Achievement Program. Judge Stout has tirelessly worked towards enforcement of Tribal Court Orders while increasing the knowledge of others on various areas of law, practice and procedures including the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) and California Dependency (Child Abuse & Neglect cases). Judge Stout has been honored to present on a state and national basis at many trainings, symposiums, conferences, webinars, and podcasts on ICWA, Child Dependency and several other topics.

Judge Stout has served as Chief Judge at the Tribal Court since September 2020 and has always been a strong advocate for Tribes not only at the Tribal Court level but also through his work with the Judicial Council of California and as a founding member of the California Chief Justice's Tribal Court/State Court Forum.



He has served as a board member of the California Tribal Court Judges Association, and we have been fortunate to work with a judge that is held in such high esteem and who is looked to as a source of knowledge on many topics that impact not only the Bishop Tribe but Tribal communities as a whole. Judge Stout has been recognized as an "ICWA Hero" by Tribal Star and a statewide gathering of Tribal and State Judges and other ICWA trainers and advocates.



Judge Stout has always led by example and has been invaluable to the advancement of the Bishop Paiute Tribal Court. It has been a pleasure to work with him, and we want to wish him all the best. Please join us in recognition of Judge Dean T. Stout on March 19, 2026, at 5PM.



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JUDGE STOUT HAS SERVED AS CHIEF JUDGE AT THE TRIBAL COURT SINCE 2020 AND HAS ALWAYS BEEN A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR TRIBES NOT ONLY AT THE TRIBAL COURT LEVEL BUT ALSO THROUGH HIS WORK WITH THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA AND AS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA CHIEF JUSTICE'S TRIBAL COURT/STATE COURT FORUM. HIS KNOWLEDGE OF STATE AND LOCAL SYSTEMS, AND HIS RELATIONSHIPS WITH STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS HAS HELPED CREATE MANY SUCCESSFULLY COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS, INCLUDING OUR TRIBAL YOUTH HEALING TO WELLNESS COURT AND TRIBAL YOUTH ATTENDANCE ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM. JUDGE STOUT HAS TIRELESSLY WORKED TOWARDS ENFORCEMENT OF TRIBAL COURT ORDERS WHILE INCREASING KNOWLEDGE ON VARIOUS AREAS OF LAW, PRACTICE AND PROCEDURES INCLUDING THE INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT (ICWA) AND CALIFORNIA DEPENDENCY (CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT CASES). JUDGE STOUT HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO PRESENT AT MANY TRAININGS, SYMPOSIUMS, CONFERENCES, WEBINARS, AND PODCASTS ON BOTH TOPICS. WE HAVE BEEN FORTUNATE TO WORK WITH A JUDGE WHO IS HELD IN SUCH HIGH ESTEEM AND WHO IS LOOKED TO AS A SOURCE OF KNOWLEDGE ON MANY TOPICS THAT IMPACT NOT ONLY THE BISHOP TRIBE BUT TRIBAL COMMUNITIES AS A WHOLE. JUDGE STOUT HAS ALWAYS LED BY EXAMPLE AND HAS BEEN INVALUABLE TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE TRIBAL COURT. IT HAS BEEN A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH HIM, AND WE WANT TO WISH HIM ALL THE BEST. PLEASE JOIN US IN RECOGNITION OF JUDGE DEAN T. STOUT ON MARCH 19, 2026, AT 5PM.



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Tribal Administration Staff

Ambroshia Stone

Chief Operation Officer

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Ted Wright

Chief Executive Officer

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CURRENTLY VACANT

Chief Operation Officer

CURRENTLY VACANT

Executive Assistant to CEO

Brian Adkins

Tribal Urban Planner

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CURRENTLY VACANT

Executive Assistant to

Tribal Council

Alyssa Reno

Administrative Receptionist

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Jordan Fimbres

Administrative Float Clerk

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COO engages in County Leadership

Bridging the gap between agencies to promote increased services to Inyo County



Ambroshia Stone, COO

Inyo County 20 Intergency 26 Team Meeting

Agencies

- Bishop Paiute Tribe
- Inyo County Sherriff's Department
- Inyo County Probation
- Inyo County Office of Education
- Health & Human Services
- Owens Valley Career Development Center
- Child Protective Services
- Toiyabe Indian Health Project and many more...

Location
Bishop, CA

Date
Feb 5, 2026

Agencies
10+

Participants
20+

"Ambroshia Stone, Chief Operating Officer, opened the meeting with a keynote statement focused on bridging gaps between tribal and non-tribal services. She emphasized the collective commitment of all departments to ensure services remain continuously available to the communities of Inyo County, while acknowledging the importance of lifelong work and the ongoing effort to build stronger, more connected support systems."



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Bishop Indian Education Center



BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE

PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

JOIN OUR COMMITTEE NOW!

We Are Looking For

**FIVE (5)
COMMITTEE
MEMBERS**

SUBMIT YOUR LETTER OF INTENT TO

Ambroshia.Stone@bishoppaiute.org

AND CONTACT US 760.873.5740

Requirements

- ✓ Be a parent of a Bishop Paiute Tribal Member who attends BUSD.
- ✓ Have a genuine interest in education and provide educational partners with valuable parental perspectives.
- ✓ Possess relevant personal or professional experiences that can enrich the board's discussions and decisions.

SCAN QR CODE FOR LETTER OF INTENT FORM



For More Information

www.bishoppaiute.gov

Bishop Indian Education Center

TRIBAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Bishop Paiute Tribe

Requirements:

- Bishop Paiute Tribal Member
- Knowledgeable about higher education and scholarships
- Commitment to service - able to attend meetings regularly and participate in scholarship review and decision-making
- Ethical and impartial - capable of maintaining confidentiality and avoiding conflicts of interest



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CAL POLY HUMBOLDT COLLEGE TRIP

OPEN TO ALL NATIVE AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



April 2nd - 4th, 2026 - Arcata, CA

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Attending a BUSD school
- High academic performance
- Strong attendance
- Positive behavior
- *BIEC students who regularly attend tutoring will receive priority



LAST DAY TO SIGN-UP
FRIDAY, MARCH 13TH, 2026



QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:

tamia.shoshone@bishoppaiute.org
760.873.5740

- NOT AFFILIATED WITH BUSD -



Taawano Spring Enrichment Program

ACTIVITIES, ARTS AND CRAFTS, PAIUTE LANGUAGE, S.T.E.A.M. PROJECTS

MARCH 30-APRIL 2 | 7:30AM - 1:00PM | K-8TH GRADERS

BREAKFAST, SNACK, AND LUNCH PROVIDED



STUDENT MUST BE NATIVE AMERICAN TO PARTICIPATE

STUDENTS WILL BE CHOSEN AT RANDOM.
IF ONE SIBLING IS ACCEPTED, THEIR SIBLING(S) WILL BE ACCEPTED AS WELL.

REGISTER HERE BY MARCH 20, 2026

BISHOP INDIAN EDUCATION CENTER | 390 N. BARLOW LANE | 760.873.5740



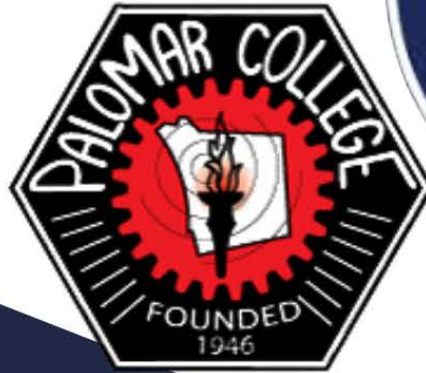
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DREAM THE IMPOSSIBLE NATIVE YOUTH CONFERENCE

OPEN TO ALL
NATIVE
AMERICAN
MIDDLE
SCHOOL AND
HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS



APRIL 16TH - 19TH, 2026
SAN MARCOS, CA

LAST DAY TO
SIGN-UP
FRIDAY, MARCH
27TH, 2026

Eligibility Requirements:



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NATIVE AMERICAN SCHOLARSHIPS 2026-2027

Cobell Scholarship

Available for Undergraduate, Graduate, & Vocational/Trade Students for the 2026-2027 Academic Year.

<https://cobellscholar.org/>

Deadline: March 31st, 2026

Vocational/Trade open June 1st to May 15th

Native Forward Scholars Fund

Funding opportunities for Undergraduate and Graduate students for tuition, internships, fellowships, exams, etc.

<https://www.nativeforward.org/>

Deadline: June 1st, 2026

PLEASE NOTE: THE LIST OF SCHOLARSHIPS PROVIDED IS JUST A SMALL SAMPLE OF THE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONTINUE RESEARCHING FOR ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES THAT MAY BE A PERFECT FIT FOR YOU!

American Indian College Fund

Available for Certificate, Undergraduate, & Graduate students for the 2026-2027 Academic Year.

<https://collegefund.org/students/scholarships/>

Deadline: Application Opens February 1st & Ends May 31st

American Indian Services

Available for Undergraduate Students for the Fall and Winter/Spring semester.

<https://www.americanindianservices.org/scholarships>

Deadline: Fall Application Opens May 1st - Deadline July 1st

Winter/Spring Application Opens September 1st - Deadline November 1st

American Indian Education Fund

Available for Undergraduate & Graduate Students for the 2026-2027 Academic Year.

<https://nativepartnership.org/aief/>

Early Deadline: March 1st, 2026

Final Deadline: April 4th, 2026

Association on American Indian Affairs Scholarship

Available for Undergraduate & Graduate Students for the 2026-2027 Academic Year.

<https://www.indian-affairs.org/nativescholarship.html>

Deadline: May 31st, 2026

Indian Health Services

Available for Undergraduate & Graduate Students for the 2026-2027 Academic Year seeking a degree in a health profession.

<https://www.ihs.gov/scholarship/scholarships/>

Deadline: February 28th, 2026



Need Assistance Applying?

Contact College & Career Counselor
Tamia Shoshone

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NATIVE AMERICAN SCHOLARSHIPS 2025-2026

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Congratulations

to our

Spring 2026 Scholarship Recipients

- Andrew Allen - **Salish Kootenai College** Grant Management
Taza Barlow - **Missoula College** Cyber Security
Madison Barlow - **Cerro Coso Community College** Psychology & Business
Ethan Birmingham - **University of Nevada, Las Vegas** Finance
Larissa Bohay - **Cerritos College** Early Childhood Education
Carrie Brown - **Cerro Coso Community College** Human Services
Paige Burdick - **Sierra College** Early Childhood Education
Rosalind Cardenas - **Pepperdine University** Clinical Psychology
Yvonna Chandler - **Cerro Coso Community College** Addiction Studies
Yolanda Chavez - **Cerro Coso Community College** Business/Paralegal
Ryan Cox - **Universal Technical Institute** Automotive & EV Technology
Morgan Daugherty - **Truckee Meadows Community College** Nursing
Jaden Davis - **Cerro Coso Community College** Business Management
Jessica Delgado - **Cerro Coso Community College** General Studies
Reese Dondero - **Truckee Meadows Community College** Diesel Technician
Gabriel Dondero - **Cerro Coso Community College** Biochemistry
Ania Durham - **Truckee Meadows Community** Social Work
Olivia Ellis - **Montana State University** Criminology
Jordan Fimbres - **Cerro Coso Community College** Humanities
Valeria Harris - **Central Wyoming College** Psychology/Mental Health
Cheynna Herrera - **Carrington College** Nursing
Emily Jaeger - **Western Nevada College** Nursing
Amber Kinney - **National University** Education
John Kinney - **California State University, Sacramento** Business Administration
Serenity Limon - **Ventura College** Social Work
Henry Mackel - **Universal Technical Institute** Nursing
Kathleen Manuelito - **University of Kansas** Nursing
Mary Marcinko - **Cerro Coso Community College** Medical Assisting

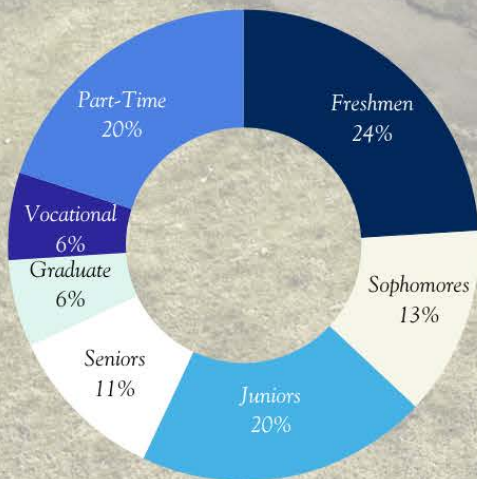
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to our

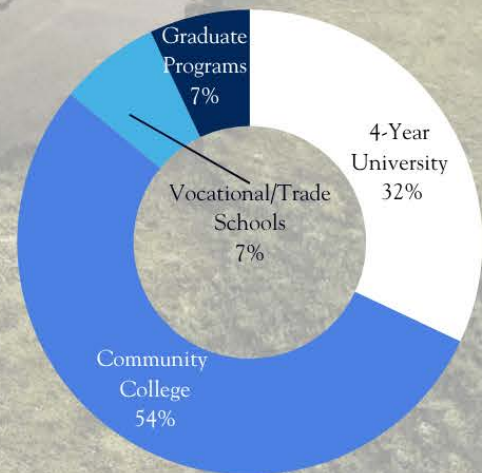
Spring 2026 Scholarship Recipients

Cade McMurry - College of Southern Idaho Welding Technology
 Mack Momberg - University of Montana Media Arts
 Maddox Moose - Marshall University Mechanical Engineering
 Cain Omohundro - College of the Canyons Health Sciences
 Clay Omohundro - Ottawa University Arizona Psychology
 Levi Patterson - Tarleton State University Animal Science
 Dakota Rambeau - Truckee Meadows Community College General Education
 Lola Rambeau - Truckee Meadows Community College General Education
 Ezra Rambeau - University of Nevada, Reno Social Work
 Joseph RedOwl - University of Nevada, Reno Agriculture
 Tammy RedOwl - Concordia University Irvine Counseling
 Josie Rogers - Arizona State University Educational Studies
 Tara Rossi - Truckee Meadows College Nursing
 Melissa Ruiz-Bermudez Southern New Hampshire University Psychology
 Siriana Sandoval - Truckee Meadows Community College Undecided
 Ryan Shay - UEI-Bakersfield HVAC
 Frances Swift Hawk-Bernal - Coconino Community College General Studies
 Joseph Weaver - San Diego Mesa College Fashion Merchandising

Student Level



Types of Schools



Congratulations Graduates!



ON BEHALF OF THE BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE, THE BISHOP INDIAN EDUCATION CENTER WOULD LIKE TO HONOR OUR GRADUATES!

We want to commend all Bishop Paiute Tribal students (high school & college/vocational) on this amazing achievement by gifting you an honor cord.

We have ordered limited supply, so please fill out the application below to get yours today!

You will receive the honor cord and one medallion (Bishop Paiute Tribe logo) to rep at your commencement.

Once again congratulations, we are very proud of you and your educational journey!



Bishop Paiute Tribal Honor Cord Application

*** You must be a Bishop Paiute Tribal member to receive a cord***

Applications will be processed on a first come, first serve basis.

Please email your completed form to College & Career Counselor Tamia Shoshone,
tamia.shoshone@bishoppaiute.org

Student's Full Name: _____

Enrollment Number: _____

Student's Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

(Please note this is the address we will send your honor cords)

School Student is Graduating From: _____

Level: High School Certificate Associates Bachelors Masters Doctoral

Field of Study: _____

Graduation Date: _____

Now Enrolling School Year 2026-2027!

Bishop Indian HeadStart Preschool

- ❖ Applications are now being accepted from March 2, 2026, to July 13, 2026.
- ❖ Children must turn three years old on or before September 1, 2026.
- ❖ BIHS is a CACFP provider!

You may pick up an application at:
Bishop Indian HeadStart
405 North Barlow
Bishop, CA 93514 or on our website:

<https://www.bishoppaiutetribe.com/programs/headstart/>

For more information contact:

Susie Cisneros or Sylvia Ramirez (760) 872-3911 EXT. 2510

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider. "





Food Sovereignty Program March 2026 Events



Seed Library Open House

Stop by to pick up free seeds! We have a selection of veggies, greens, flowers, grains, herbs, and native plants.

Wednesday, March 4th, 11:30am-1:30pm

Cultural Center Garden, just SW of OVPSCC at 2300 W Line Street



Eastern Sierra Composting Meeting

The Bishop Paiute Tribe is leading a regional effort to turn local green wastes into a resource that boosts soil health. Help us map resources & build a business!

Wednesday March 11th, 10-11:30am

Cultural Center, 2300 W Line Street and Zoom: tinyurl.com/ydnwcewa



Seed Starting Workshop

Introductory hands-on workshop. Start seeds together in trays and take them home to plant out later in the spring.

Wednesday, March 18th, 12-1pm

Elders' Garden, behind the Tribal Elders' Building at 350 N Barlow Lane



Cultural Botany Project Participation Survey

Scan the QR code or type:
<tinyurl.com/47dc8pyx>



Please contact <fsp@bishoppaiute.org> or (760)920-2543 with any questions, or check for updates on our Instagram @bishoppaiutefoodsovereignty Facebook page @bishoppaiutefoodsovereigntyprogram and linktree: linktr.ee/bptfsp



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Community Development Department Announcement

Yearly Recertification that helps everyone stay on track!



Why This Matters

- Accurate records ensure **fair** and balanced housing opportunities.
- Protect your housing.

Just like a good diner keeps the records spinning and the orders straight, we do a yearly check-in to make sure **files stay accurate** and up to date so housing opportunities are safeguarded for the whole community. 🎵

Making Sure the Numbers Add Up

- Income can change from year to year.
- A yearly recertification helps us adjust **rent up or down** as needed, keep rent calculations fair and consistent, and catch small errors before they turn into bigger problems.

Worth Knowing

- If you were income-eligible when you moved in, earning more later does not automatically **affect your** housing. Income changes affect rent, not whether you can stay.
- Once you bring in an original or verified document, CDD makes a certified copy for your file. You don't need to bring that same document back every year.

This Year's Deadline

Recertification
packets are due
no later than
MARCH 31st

Questions? We're Happy To Help:

★ CALL (760) 872-4356 ★
VISIT 48 TU SU LANE - BISHOP, CA



HOUSING POLICIES & ENFORCEMENT NOTICE

— Community Development Department (CDD) —

Policy enforcement begins April 1, 2026

This notice is provided so households have time to prepare and remain in good standing.

HOUSE RENTALS →

Arrowhead APARTMENTS

Housing Policies & Occupancy Rules



Top 10 Most Common Policy Violations

1. Repeated late or missed rent payments
2. Failure to report household changes
3. Sober Living Violations
4. Unauthorized pets
5. Noise & Nuisance Violations
6. Unauthorized occupants
7. Property damage above normal wear and tear
8. Illegal disturbances by guests
9. Unsanitary condition
10. Refusal of inspections

Need a copy of your lease agreement?

Please contact the Community Development Department

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UNION TRADES CONSTRUCTION RESOURCE FAIR



AMERICAN INDIAN APPRENTICESHIP INITIATIVE

- Electrical
- Masons
- Painters
- Plumbers



LEARN
ABOUT JOBS
& TRAINING
AVAILABLE
IN KERN
COUNTY.

March 12, 2026 3:00 - 6:00 pm



Owens Valley Career Development Center
4300 Stine Road, Building 800
Bakersfield, CA 93313

For more information contact: Ryan Howard

Phone: (661) 323-1086 ext. 249

Email: rhoward@ovcdc.com



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NÜÜMÜ FITNESS PRESENTS

COMMUNITY HIKING/WALKING GROUP



BEGINS: MARCH 25, 2026
MEET@ NUUMU FITNESS PARKING LOT
TIME: 11:00 AM
ALL AGE GROUPS WELCOME

- 1 mile walk
- Historical and Traditional Teachings of the walk route- Gerald Howard
- Water and Snacks Provided

Walks/Hikes will take place on a weekly basis. Routes will change per week. Limited transportation available if needed.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: ANTHONY TUCKER NUUMU, FITNESS MANAGER
(760) 784-9686

24 HOUR FITNESS

270 N. SEE VEE, BISHOP CA, 93514



Monthly memberships can be purchased through gym master or in person at the Nuumu Fitness Center.

For more information, please contact the fitness center at (760)784-9686

Anthony Tucker - Nuumu Fitness Manager - anthony.tucker@bishoppaiute.org

Joseph Molina - Nuumu Fitness Attendant - joseph.molina@bishoppaiute.org

(760)784-9686



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Child Care Development Fund (CCDF)

Quality Improvement Activity

CCDF participated in Quality Improvement Activities for Child Care Providers. Assessing Safety, Learning and Health Needs Assessments for all CCDF providers and local In home Child Care Connection Providers. As a part of ongoing Quality Improvement CCDF upgraded toys and Learning Materials for playrooms, and provided yard clean up and repairs for providers.

Before



After



Pamela Martinez: (760) 873-4414 ext.2830
pamela.martinez@bisoppaiute.org



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HOME SAFE & HDAP



HOME SAFE

Home Safe provided Minor Home repairs to 4 active participants engaged in Case Management. Home Safe has successfully supported 2 IHSS applications and services for 2 dependent adults for healthcare services and needs.



HDAP

HDAP has provided Minor Home repairs to 4 active participants with case management and Social Security Disability (SSD) for participants trying to achieve Self Sufficiency. Updating Bathrooms, Doors, & homes to be ADA compliant.

The Social Services Department would like to Thank CDD, 7 Sons Construction, Chris Brown and Mammoth Junk Removal for assessing the Health and Safety of Bishop Paiute Tribal members homes. Offering home repairs that Include Mold Clean up, Roof Repairs, Pest Control, Weatherizing homes, and junk removal from yards.



Kristian.oriuela@bishoppaiute.org



760-873-4414 ext. 2800



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RAVE

FEBRUARY

OUTREACH

BISHOP UNION HIGH SCHOOL

The Bishop Paiute Tribe's RAVE team was invited to present at the Native American Student Association (NASA) at the High School Lunch. February is Teen dating violence awareness month RAVE passed out Snacks and Healthy Relationships facts sheets to over 100 students at Bishop Union High School (BUHS).

HOME STREET MIDDLE SCHOOL

RAVE attended HSMS NASA club and hosted over 80 teens in completing a Healthy relationships quiz in collaboration with OVCD. RAVE also supported on campus outreach and handed out healthy relationships education and tools to over 60 students.

The RAVE team successfully made over 200 encounters for teen dating violence awareness month!

HIGHLIGHT

BISHOP
UNION HIGH
SCHOOL

LUNCH
OUTREACH

HOME STREET
MIDDLE
SCHOOL

NASA CLUB
OUTREACH



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BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE

MISSING MURDERED INDIGENOUS PEOPLE COMMUNITY WALK & DINNER 2026



SAVE THE DATE

MAY 9TH, 2026



MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW



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BISHOP EHS PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

March 2026

What is Early Head Start?

Applications for 2025-26 school year to be accepted throughout the year. EHS is a comprehensive early learning program for children 6 weeks-36 months old. The EHS program delivers early learning/education, health nutrition, and family support services.

Join Our Team

Teacher
Full-time
Open until filled
Apply online @
ovcdc.com/employment/

Upcoming Events

- 03/06/26: CLOSED for Employee Appreciation Day
- 03/30-04/03/2026: Spring Break - Closed to children

Contact Info

Education, Culture & Partnership Liaison

Josie Rogers

jrogers@ovcdc.com

(760)920-0434 or (760)873-5107



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LEARN ABOUT OUR OUTREACH EVENTS



Free Developmental Assessments



Parent Consultations




Access to Clinicians



Special Education Support

Questions about your child's development?

- Does not play interactive games like peek-a-boo or pat-a-cake by 12 months
- Still has little to no vocabulary at 24 month
- Restrictive or repetitive patterns of play, behaviors, or interests.
- Very difficult time regulating emotions where it impacts daily life or school performance (any age).
- Does not do pretend play like superhero, teacher/ student, cats and dogs etc by age 4.

LEARN MORE 

-  858-361-9544
-  info@acorns2oak.com
-  www.acorns2oak.com
-  acorns2oak



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Bishop Youth

HANDGAME

Club

UPCOMING EVENTS:

**FOOD
WILL BE
PROVIDED**

23 FEBRUARY BISHOP PAIUTE COMMUNITY CENTER
6:30PM- 405 N. BARLOW LN.
8:30PM BISHOP, CA
(BISHOP INDIAN HEADSTART BUILDING)

9 MARCH BISHOP PAIUTE COMMUNITY CENTER
6:30PM- 405 N. BARLOW LN.
8:30PM BISHOP, CA
(BISHOP INDIAN HEADSTART BUILDING)

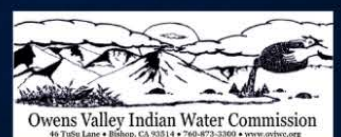
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SCAN CODE



TO SIGN UP

Any Questions Please Call
(760)264-5865



Bishop Paiute Tribe's Family Formation

SPRING BREAK MOVIE DAYS

2PM-4PM | BARLOW GYM
CURRICULUM: SELF CARE

Ages 5-18

Monday March 30th

Wednesday April 1st



For more information contact Family Formation
at (760)783-4473 ext.2720 or 2700

SPRING BREAK FIELD DAY

**COME JOIN THE TRIBE WITH SOME OUTDOOR
GAMES AT BARLOW FIELD DURING SPRING BREAK!**

Barlow Field Bishop, Ca 93514

Day Includes:

Please bring your own gloves and bats for Mush/Softball

- 1:30pm-2:30pm Flag Football
- 11am-12pm Kickball
- 12pm-1pm Mush/Softball
- 2:30pm-3:30pm Soccer

**APR
3RD**

**11:00 AM –
3:30 PM**

Ages 5-18

CURRICULUM: TEAM BUILDING

For more information contact Family Formation at
(760)783-4473 ext.2720 or 2700



How to build Healthy Relationships in our Community

BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE'S FAMILY FORMATION PROGRAM

SPRING *Gatherings*

Saturday, April 4, 2026

Barlow Lane Gym

11:00am to 1:00pm

Community Meal | Easter Egg Hunt | Photobooth | Paiute Language

Pre-registration is not required, current prevention application is required.

Please contact the Family Formation office to check on the current status of your prevention application.

The Tribal Community is encouraged to wear ribbon skirts and/or ribbon shirts!

For more information, contact Family Formation at (760)873-4473





TOIYABE
INDIAN HEALTH PROJECT

GRAND OPENING

Please join us as we celebrate
the grand opening of our new
dialysis center.

FRIDAY, MARCH 13TH, 2026

250 See Vee Lane, Bishop, CA

12 pm to 3 pm

Community members, patients, families,
and partners are all welcome. Come to our
facility, meet our care team, and help us
mark this exciting milestone as we expand
access to high-quality dialysis care!

Ribbon Cutting & Light Refreshments

Questions call (760) 873-8464



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**ENVIRONMENTAL
MANAGEMENT OFFICE
EVENT POSTINGS**



**PINYON PINE SURVEY WORKSHOP FOR
TRIBAL COMMUNITY MEMBERS**

JOIN THE BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE ENVIRONMENTAL
MANAGEMENT OFFICE **FRIDAY, MARCH 20TH FROM
8AM-12PM**

EVENT TIMELINE

- 8 AM - MEET AT ELDERS BUILDING**
- 8:15 AM - LOAD INTO VEHICLES AND HEAD OUT TO GROVE**
- 9 AM-11 AM - ARRIVE, COLLECT SURVEYS, AND ENJOY LUNCH**
- 11:15 - HEAD BACK TO ELDERS BUILDING**

*TRANSPORTATION AND LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED



FOR ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT
MILES.LAFAYETTE@BISHOPPAIUTE.ORG

SAVE-THE-DATE

**Bishop Paiute Tribe's
Earth Day and
Spring Market**

Sunday, April 19th 2026

8:00 AM-3:00 PM



Scan QR code for
tabling sign up ↗

More info to come! Please reach out to
brianda.hernandez@bishoppaiute.org with questions about the
event. Questions about vending please direct to the Cultural
Center at tara.frank@bishoppaiute.org



Scan QR code for
vendor sign up →
Call 760.873.8844 for
vendor questions



Bishop Paiute Tribal Elders Fundraiser

BINGO

Everyone Welcome- Come join us for fun
at 390 N. Barlow Lane

Sunday, March 15, 2026

Bingo Packs

Pre-Sale \$25.00 Buy-In-\$30.00

Extra Packs \$5.00

Early Bird Games \$5.00

**FOOD &
DRINKS**

**50/50
Raffle**

PAYOUT

10 Regular Games- \$150.00,
2-Special Games-\$250.00 each
Double Action- Winner Take All

Doors Open at 11:00AM

Early Birds start at 12:00AM
Regular Games start at 12:30pm

CONTACTS

Mary Davis 760-263-4507

Pat Howard 760-937-5120

Lynda Charlie-760-263-5572





**WANAHA
CASINO**

MAD FUN  MARCH
@WANAHA CASINO

SUNDAY Funday

POINTS EARNED WEEKLY FROM MONDAY TO SUNDAY WILL GET YOU SOME AMAZING SUNDAY FUNDAY PERKS!

DISCOUNTS OR FREE FOOD



FREE SLOT PLAY



WEEKLY BONUS GIFT



Points	Free Play	Food	Gift
2,500	\$30	30% off	✓
5,000	\$75	Free Entree	✓
7,500	\$125	2 Free Entree	✓

PLAY ALL WEEK... REDEEM ON SUNDAYS

**CLUB
55+**

MEMBERS AGE 55 YEARS YOUNG AND OVER, WHO EARN 700 PTS FROM SUN TO WED EACH WEEK RECEIVE:

\$10 FREE PLAY | 50% OFF ENTRÉE
(GOOD FOR BREAKFAST OR LUNCH ONLY)


\$55 CASH DRAWINGS EVERY 15 MINS 10AM TO 12PM

FRIDAYS
(EXCLUDES 3/20)



**CASH IS KING
FRIDAY**

\$100 @ 7PM **\$200 @ 7:30PM** **\$300 @ 8PM** **\$400 @ 8:30PM** **\$500 @ 9PM** **\$600 @ 9:30PM** **\$700 @ 10PM**

 **EARN ONE (1) ENTRY FOR EVERY 200 POINTS EARNED WEEKLY IN MARCH**

SATURDAYS



JOIN US FOR ALL THE CASH GAME FUN!



 **HOT SEAT | 2 WINNERS EVERY 15 MINS • 7-10PM**

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17
LUCKY
WINNERS

Lucky Shamrock

GIVEAWAY

ST. PATTY'S
TUES 3/17

PICK A SHAMROCK
AND WIN UP TO

\$500!

TICKETED DRAWINGS DRAWINGS EVERY 15 MINS 4 PM TO 8 PM!



200 PTS - 25oz MUG | 700 PTS - T-SHIRT

(WHILE SUPPLIES LAST. BEER NOT INCLUDED.)

RUBEN SANDWICH \$14.95

&

CORN BEEF 'N CABBAGE
DINNER SPECIAL \$24.95



GREEN BEER IRISH CAR BOMBS JAMESON SHOT GUINNESS

Spring

into Cash

\$5K

GIVEAWAY

FRIDAY • MARCH 20

\$250 DRAWINGS
EVERY 15 MINS • 7PM-9:45PM

\$2,000

DRAWING @ 10PM

TICKETED DRAWINGS EARN ENTRIES STARTING MARCH 1ST

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BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE ELDERS PROGRAM



ACTIVITY & EVENTS CALENDAR

MARCH 2026

ACTIVITIES

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3	4 COOKING CLASS w/ TIHP @ 2PM BEGINNERS CHUP-UHII @ 12:30PM	5	6
9	10	11 BREAKFAST CLUB w/TIHP @ 9AM ELDERS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING @ 4PM CDD EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION @ 5PM	12 CULTURAL VISIT THE NATIVE AMERICAN BASKET COLLECTION AT INDEPENDENCE EASTERN SIERRA MUSEUM LEAVE AT 1PM	13 OVD CD LANGUAGE PROGRAM SHARING KNOWLEDGE OF NATIVE LOCAL PLANTS @ 10AM
16	17 SCAVENGER HUNT ON YOUR LUNCH BREAK @ 11:30AM-12:30PM	18 FSP SEED STARTING WORKSHOP @ 12-1PM BEGINNERS CHUP-TUHII @ 5PM REGULAR GAMES AT 5:30PM LIGHT DINNER PROVIDED	19 VITALS CLINIC @ 11AM-1PM	20 SPRING ACTIVITY
23	24 MOD PODGE AND NAPKIN SPRING VASE MAKING @ 5:30 LIGHT DINNER PROVIDED	25	26	27 BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION BIRTHDAY BINGO \$5 BUY IN
30	31			DON'T FORGET THE ELDER'S BINGO ON MARCH 15TH AT THE BARLOW GYM PRE-SALE PACKETS AVAILABLE NOW

Menu and Activity Calendars Are Subject To Change

Eva Bacooh- Activities Specialist (760) 873-3052 ext. 1390

BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE ELDERS PROGRAM



ACTIVITY & EVENTS CALENDAR

MARCH 2026

MEALS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Chicken Enchiladas, Rice, Pineapple	3 Salisbury Steak, Pasta, California Vegetables, Mandarin Orange	4 Sunshine Salad W/ Chicken, Whole Wheat Crackers	5 Pork Roast. Red Potatoes, Asparagus, Banana	6 Clam Chowder Oyster Crackers, Carrot Salad
9 Lasagna, Mixed Vegetables, Marinara Sauce, Green Grapes	10 Orange Chicken, Broccoli & Carrots, Brown Rice, Pineapple	11 Turkey Wrap, Ranch Dressing, Sweet Potato Fries, Cantaloupe	12 Beef Stew, Naan Bread, Banana	13 Tuna Sandwich on a Croissant & Tomato Soup, Orange
16 Tri-tip, Gravy, Baked Potato, Broccoli & Carrots, Apricots	17 Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes, Watermelon	18 Chili Beans, Naan Bread, Garden Salad, Peaches	19 Taco Salad Tortilla Chips, Salsa, Banana	20 Teriyaki Salmon, Rice pilaf, Lemon, Asparagus, Strawberries
23 Chicken Pot Pie, Garden Salad, Strawberries	24 Bean & Cheese Burrito, Rice, Salsa, Green Apple	25 Chicken, Caesar Salad, Red Grapes	26 Slow Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Green Beans	27 Chili Lime Fish, Brown Rice, Lemon Broccoli, Fruit Cocktail
30 Country Fried Steak, Gravy, Au-Gratin Potatoes, Green Beans, Mango	31 BBQ Bacon Burger, Lettuce, Tomato, Coleslaw, Orange			Menu was approved by Toiyabe Dietician, Fatima Pina. All meals served with 1% milk



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JANUARY-DECEMBER 2026
YERINGTON PAIUTE TRIBE COMMODITY FOOD PROGRAM SCHEDULE

171 CAMPBELL LN
YERINGTON NV 894477

PLEASE CALL AHEAD AND SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT BEFORE VISITING OUR WAREHOUSE OR OFFICE TO ENSURE PROMPT SERVICE.

TAILGATE SITE	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DECEMBER
FALLON @ GYM/HOUSING	7	3	3	1	5	2	7	4	1	6	3	1
YERINGTON	8	5	5	3	7	4	9	6	3	8	5	3
BRIDGEPORT	9	6	6	2	8	5	10	7	4	9	6	4
YOMBA BENTON & FISH LAKE	12	9	9	6	11	8	13	10	8	12	9	7
CARSON & WOODFORDS COMMUNITY CENTER/ GYM	14	11	11	8	13	10	15	12	9	14	10	9
LOVELOCK@TRIBAL ADMINISTRATION	16	13	13	10	15	12	17	14	11	16	13	11
BIG PINE @ OLD TRIBAL OFFICE	21	18	17	14	19	16	21	18	15	20	17	15
BISHOP CA CULTURE CENTER	22	19	18	15	20	17	22	19	16	21	18	16
RENO ADMINISTRATION	27	24	24	21	26	23	28	25	22	27	23	22
SCHURZ @ GYM	29	26	26	23	28	25	30	27	24	29	24	23

ITS YOUR RESPONSIBLY TO CHECK YOUR BOXES

IT IS ESSENTIAL TO CHECK YOUR BOXES FOR ITEMS SUCH AS CHEESE AND MEATS UPON RECEIVING THEM TO ENSURE YOU HAVE EVERYTHING YOU NEED. REGULARLY VERIFYING YOUR INVENTORY HELPS MAINTAIN ACCURACY AND PREVENTS SHORTAGES DURING DISTRIBUTION.

NEW CLIENTS—PLEASE BE AWARE THAT WHEN APPLYING FOR FOOD BENEFITS, YOU MUST PROVIDE COMPLETE HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION. THIS MEANS SUBMITTING SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS AND BIRTHDAYS FOR EVERY HOUSEHOLD MEMBER; WITHOUT THESE DETAILS, WE CANNOT ADD THEM TO YOUR CASE. BE SURE TO BRING COPIES OF HOUSEHOLD BILLS, SUCH AS THOSE FOR ELECTRICITY, RENT, GAS, AND WOOD. ADDITIONALLY, IF YOU RECEIVE ANY TYPE OF INCOME—including SOCIAL SECURITY AWARD LETTERS, DISABILITY DOCUMENTATION, OR PAYCHECK STUBS—YOU MUST HAVE THESE ON HAND. PLEASE NOTE THAT GAMING INCOME IS NOT CONSIDERED AS PART OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD INCOME.

THE WAREHOUSE/OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED AT THE END OF EVERY MONTH DUE TO DOING INVENTORY. DURING THIS TIME, NO PICKUPS, DELIVERIES, OR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE UNTIL THE INVENTORY PROCESS IS COMPLETED. PLEASE PLAN YOUR VISITS AND COMMUNICATIONS ACCORDINGLY TO AVOID ANY INCONVENIENCE.

SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE! STAFF WILL POST ON COMMODS FACEBOOK PAGE AND NOTIFY TRIBAL OFFICES

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VACANCIES FOR THE BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE COMMITTEES/BOARDS:

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN A VACANCY ON A COMMITTEE/ BOARD, PLEASE SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTENT.

- FORMS AT THE BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBAL OFFICE -

For more information, please contact Ambrosia Stone, Chief operations Officer at (760)873-3584 Ext. 1340

EDUCATION PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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The purpose of PAC shall be to assist the Community, Tribe, and local education agencies (LEA) in bringing about the most effective Indian Education and LEA programs and policies. To achieve this purpose, the PAC shall provide advice and assistance in developing, and evaluating the Bishop Indian Education Center.

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

SABRINA RENTERIA | ERIN HOWARD | VACANT | VACANT | VACANT

The Social Services Committee is established to provide oversight, guidance, and support to the Social Services Department in alignment with Tribal laws, policies, funding requirements, and the overall mission of strengthening and protecting Tribal families and community members. The Social Services Committee operates under the authority delegated by Tribal Council. The Committee serves in an advisory and oversight capacity and does not engage in day-to-day program administration.

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

VICTORIA BEGAY | DIANE HART | CHRISTOPHER TURNER | VACANT | VACANT

The Constitution Committee is a temporary tribal committee formed to gather existing tribal ordinances, laws, and governing documents. Working closely with legal counsel, contracted professionals, and the tribal community, the Committee organizes and drafts these materials into clear constitutional articles. The Committee seeks community input on this important document to ensure it reflects tribal values, governance needs, and sovereignty, and prepares recommendations for review by tribal leadership and the membership.

CULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

LAVINA BENGOCCHIA-BANNING | DIANA TERRAZAS | CHARLENE REDNER | VACANT | VACANT

Through the Owens Valley Paiute-Shoshone Cultural Center, the Bishop Paiute Cultural Advisory Committee (CAC) will provide constructive input, recommendations, and valuable feedback regarding cultural and historical issues. The Cultural Advisory Committee will coordinate with Bishop Paiute Tribe staff and other agencies in implementing activities and events that primarily focus on the local Paiute- Shoshone people with the inclusion of intertribal cultures; providing educational awareness for the cultural traditions of indigenous people

MISS BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE COMMITTEE

LETICIA GONZALES | JORDAN ANDREAS | ALYSA CHARTRAW | VACANT | VACANT

The princess committee maintains communication with the Miss Bishop Paiute Tribe through her reign, assist with needs as requested with monthly check ins, planning and organizing the annual princess pageant.

BISHOP PAIUTE GAMING COMMISSION

GLORIANA BAILEY | BEAU ROMERO | CYNTHIA STONE | VACANT | VACANT

The Gaming Commission shall promulgate rules and regulations for the operation of any gaming establishment and shall hear and resolve all disputes regarding any provision of this Code. In all decisions, the Gaming Commission shall act to promote and ensure the integrity, security, honesty, and fairness of the operation and administration of gaming and ancillary activities of the gaming operation. The Gaming Commission shall have the authority to deny any application; to limit, condition, suspend, or restrict any license; make a finding of suitability or approval of a license, or find suitable the imposition of a fine upon any person or entity licenses, for just cause deemed reasonable by the Gaming Commission pursuant to this ordinance, Compact and IGRA. (Section 407 of the Bishop Paiute Gaming Ordinance).

UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD - PENDING BOARD DESCRIPTION

PAIGE SILLS | DIANE HART | WILLIAM VEGA | TERRY CROWL | VACANT

TRIBAL COURT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

PATRICIA HOWARD | VALERIE GOODWIN | LYDIA SCHULTZ | TOIYAGADUH STONE | VACANT

The Bishop Paiute Tribal Court Advisory Committee (hereinafter "Committee") is organized exclusively to make recommendations to further develop and enhance the Bishop Paiute Tribal Court (hereinafter "Court"). In order to evaluate implementation and progress the Committee will: Review reports from the Tribal Court Administrator/Clerk and Chief Judge, Review of financial expenditures, Review statistical data generated by the Court, Observe Court proceedings to gain first-hand knowledge of operations, without interfering with the judicial process, and Make recommendations to the Council regarding Court operational needs.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

KATRINA STONE | DEEANNE CHIATOVICH | LISA MANUELITO | TEEHEENAH DUCKEY | VACANT

The scholarship committee takes part in reviewing tribal scholarship applications with the responsibility of determining the status of the reviewed application whether their are approved or denied.

BISHOP PABANAMANINA POW WOW COMMITTEE

JOAN HUFF | JOANN HANSON | LYNETTE ROMERO | TEEHEENAH DUCKEY | VACANT

The Bishop Pabanamanina Pow Wow Committee is responsible for the planning and coordinating of the annual Bishop Pabanamanina Pow Wow/Pow Wow Princess Pageant during the California Indian Day weekend..

BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE EXCLUDED INDIVIDUALS

THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS ARE NOT ALLOWED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBAL RESERVATION. ANY ASSIGNMENT HOLDER HARBORING AN EXCLUDED INDIVIDUAL WILL BE CITED.

NOT PICTURED

JOHN SALAIZ

DURATION: INDEFINITE

NOT PICTURED

JORDAN BARR

DURATION: INDEFINITE



FRANK SHOSHONE
DURATION: 4/1/2027



LAUREN ANDREAS
DURATION: 7/24/2028



AUBURN ANDREAS
DURATION: 3/15/2029



HECTOR CERDA
DURATION: 9/18/2029



JOSE CAMACHO
DURATION: 9/18/2029



DAMIEN MALONE
DURATION: 2/19/2030



RAYMOND JOHN GARCIA
DURATION: INDEFINITE



GABBY MCDARMENT JR.
DURATION: INDEFINITE



RUBEN GRANADOS
DURATION: INDEFINITE



GABBY MCDARMENT SR.
DURATION: INDEFINITE



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TANYA SOLESBEE
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IF SEEN ON THE BISHOP PAIUTE RESERVATION PLEASE CALL BISHOP PAIUTE POLICE DEPARTMENT AT (760)873-4477 OR INYO COUNTY SHIERIFF DISPATCH (760)878-0383 OPTION 4

Copies of current Ordinances are available at www.bishoppaiute.net or at the Bishop Paiute Tribal Office.

BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

If you are looking to be added to a Tribal Council Business Agenda , please complete the agenda request forms at the Bishop Paiute Tribal Office.



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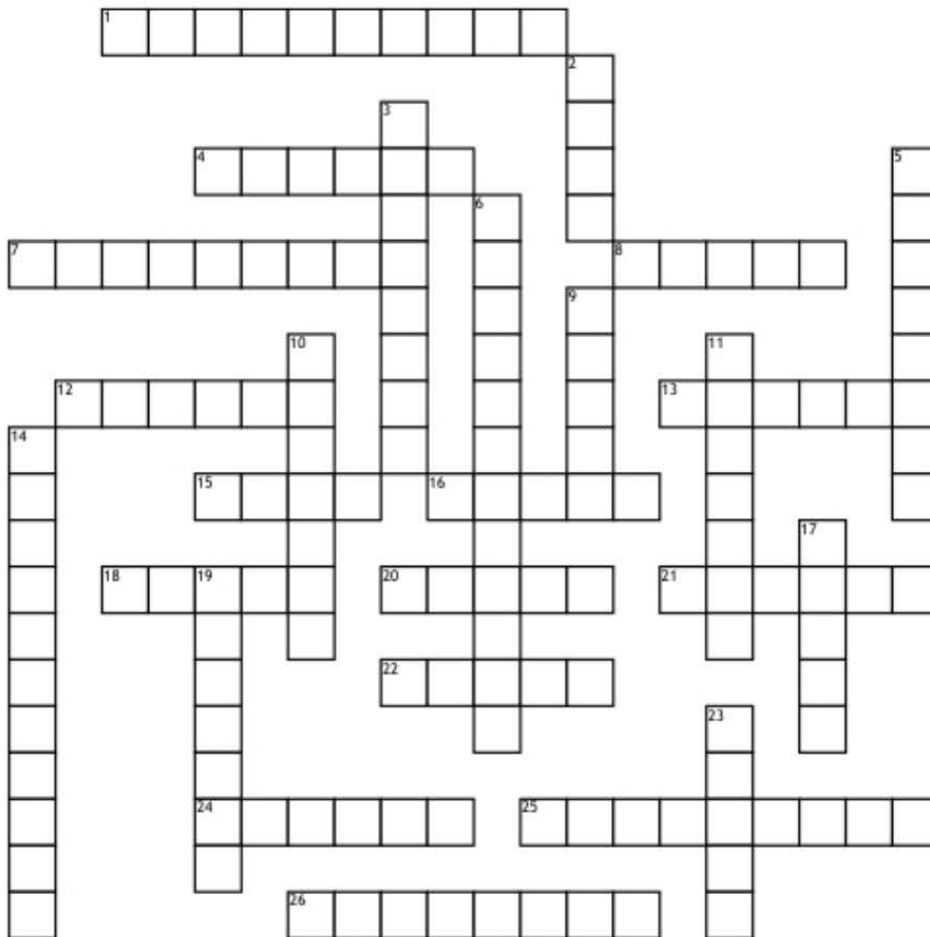


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St. Patrick's Day



Across

1. A mischievous elf in Irish Folklore
4. A branch of the Indo-European languages that was spread widely over Europe in the pre-Christian era.
7. To publicly party
8. The Celtic language of Ireland
12. A plant of the genus Trifolium
13. March in a procession
15. Something likened to the metal in brightness or preciousness
16. A month of a year
18. Resembling the color of growing grass

20. An occasion on which people can assemble for social interaction and entertainment
21. A staple food of Ireland
22. Occurring by chance
24. A story about mythical or supernatural beings or events
25. An inherited pattern of thought or action
26. Another word for 3-leaf clover

Down

2. Invoke upon
3. A humorous verse form of 5 anapestic lines with a rhyme scheme aabba.
5. A special kind of clover
6. Christian missionary and bishop in Ireland

9. Any art that invokes supernatural powers
10. Achieved independence from the UK in 1921
11. An arc of colored light in the sky caused by refraction of the sun's rays by rain
14. The day of the month of St Patrick's day
17. A small being, human in form, playful and having magical powers
19. Highly valued as a gemstone
23. A form of money

ST. PATRICK

Word Search



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IRELAND**

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Happy
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Miss Bishop Paiute Tribe Quarterly Update



Manahuu, Bishop Tribal Community member for those who may not know me, my name is Jeze Dewey and I am the current Miss Bishop Paiute Tribe 2026. I would like to provide a quarterly update regarding my current and past participation these last few months in the local community!

I have attended the Owens Valley Career Development Center's Winter Gathering, helped O.V.A hand out basketballs to the youth, held a special at the Bishop Paiute Tribe's New Years Social Pow Wow, I helped hand out Christmas gifts at the Bishop Indian Head Start, participated in a march in Death Valley, and lastly I attended the BISC pageant.

I look forward to the all the new opportunities this title continues to bring me which excited to attend more events and gathering to represent the Bishop Paiute Tribe.



Respectfully,

Jeze Dewey

Miss Bishop Paiute Tribe 2026