



The Da'luk

Need Help Unpaid Rent?

The CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program is designed to help low-income Californians through the payment of unpaid rent to landlords. Funding for this program comes from the \$2.6 billion in federal rental assistance.

How it Works

Unpaid rent

Landlords who participate in the CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program can get reimbursed for 80% of an eligible renter's unpaid rent between April 1, 2020, and March 31, 2021, if they agree to waive the remaining 20% of unpaid rent during that specific time period.

Eligible renters whose landlords choose not to participate in the program may apply on their own and receive 25% of unpaid rent between April 1, 2020, and March 31, 2021. Paying this 25% by June 30, 2021 can help keep you in your home under the extended eviction protections in SB 91.

Future Rent

Eligible renters can receive future rent assistance equal to 25% of their monthly rent. Combined with the assistance available for unpaid rent, future assistance will help renters stay housed once the eviction protections in SB 91 expire on June 30, 2021.

Utility Assistance

Eligible renters may also receive assistance for unpaid utilities and future payments. Unpaid utilities accumulated from April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021 will be compensated at 100% of cost, limited to a total of 12 months.

Applications must include all required information, along with necessary verification items.

Once an application has been successfully processed, both the landlord and renter will be notified about the application status.

The CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program is not on a first come, first served basis. Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis. For all applications received, the state will first review and commit funds to applicants who are eligible and meet the priority requirement having income at or below 50% of Area Median Income (AMI) to ensure those most in need receive assistance.

Where to Apply

https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/

Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center

Submitted By: Marnie Atkins

Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center Update

Our building is located at 417 Second Street, Eureka. Watch our monthly Newsletter for ongoing updates!

Repairs are underway at the Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center! The walls have been patched/ repaired and mud and texture put on them. Next step is painting them. Small health and safety repairs are getting done while each step of the wall painting process is waiting to dry. Electrical and flooring are next.

Behind the scenes, we are busy dreaming up our exhibits, educational programming, and how to safely welcome people to the Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center. Hou' to everyone who has submitted their survey answers about what they would like to see in the Center. Your input is welcome anytime!

This is our space to come together to build community, learn from each other, speak Soulatluk, and perpetuate our cultural practices while learning from our shared history - no matter where you live in the world. Virtual programming will be an ongoing feature of the Cultural Center so that people who live near and far will have the opportunity to learn and interact with other Wiyot people.

Soon, we will be able to announce the opening of the Center and welcome you in while we adhere to COVID-19 safety protocols. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions about our Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center.

Da gou rou louwi' "the ongoing return of all" (lit. 'continuous again all the returning')



Wall repair and texture. Paint to be applied soon.

Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center

Submitted By: Marnie Atkins

Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center Call for Art



IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ!



I am looking for Native artists to develop artwork to be used on the website and all social media for the Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center. If you are interested in discussing this topic, please do not hesitate to reach out to me and I will send you a **Call for Art Submission** form with more information. Wiyot artists preferred, but we will accept art submissions from local area tribal peoples, too. Please contact me for more details at matkins@wiyot.us.



W Do you know how to weave (medallions, baskets, fishing nets, etc.)? Make eel hooks? Do you know how to gather plants for weaving, food, and/or medicines? Are you a storyteller that would like to mentor others in storytelling? Maybe you know some of the history of the Wiyot People and Tribe and want to share it with others? Are you a song maker and would like to mentor other song makers? Have you made regalia, dresses, and other ceremonial and/or dance items and would you like to teach others? Maybe you are an inspired jewelry maker and want to teach others?

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E If you answered "hi" (yes) to any of these questions, the Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center needs you and your expertise! We are looking for teachers and mentors who have traditional cultural knowledge and/or traditional ecological knowledge to share with others. All levels of experience and ages will be taught through small workshops. Some workshops will be more intensive than others and may include a series of workshops to better convey the knowledge you wish to share. In some cases we will offer honorariums for your gift of knowledge.

D Questions or want more information? Please contact Marnie at matkins@wiyot.us or at (707) 733-5055. Hou' and I look forward to hearing from you!



Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center is hiring!

We are looking for a Social Media Intern at the Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center. You must be between the ages of 16-21 and qualify under NCIDC's Supplemental Youth Employment and Training Program. The internship would last for six (6) weeks at fifteen (15) hours per week.

SYETP Link here: <https://www.ncidc.org/supplemental-youth-employment-and-training-program>

If you would like more information about this opportunity, please contact Marnie at matkins@wiyot.us or (707) 733-5055.



Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

Counseling Services

Jennifer is a graduate student in the Master's in Counseling program at Palo Alto University, Palo Alto, CA.



She grew up here locally on the North Coast and lives in Fortuna.

She has attended both College of the Redwoods and Humboldt State on her current journey to become certified as a Marriage and Family Therapist.

She has been prepared by her schooling and her life experience to help others with things such as trauma, anxiety, depression, and decision making as well as family & relationship problems.

She is a good listener and a wise person to talk with. Her main purpose is to offer support to the members of the Wiyot tribe and their households that may be experiencing distress or just want to connect with someone.

Call the Tribal office at (707)733-5055 for more information.

Tribal Member Services

HHS Department offers a variety of services to it's citizens and residents.

1. Burial Assistance up to \$500.00 (Tribal Members)
2. Hunting/ Fishing license reimbursement (one per household, every 12 months)
3. RSTF loan up to \$200.00 (one per every 12 months)
4. Garbage reimbursement once per every 12 months (off Reservation membership only)
5. Chimney Cleaning reimbursement (for all households, on and off Reservation)
6. Elders/Disabled wood: elders/disabled members get one cord per year from Men's Camp

For info please call the HHS Dept at 707-733-5055

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Submitted By: Robert Pitts

Important Dates:

FAFSA deadline for 2020-21 School Year: **June 30, 2021**

Wiyot Tribe Scholarship: **August 1, 2021**

BIA Higher Education Grant: **Open all year**

Vocational Training Grant: **Open all year**



Note: You can locate BIA Higher education grant and Wiyot Tribe Scholarship on our website at www.wiyot.us, or for more information, contact the HHS Dept at 707-733-5055.

Additional funding opportunities: (if you are considering a career in nursing) <https://www.premiernursingacademy.org/resources/bipoc-marginalized-student-scholarships>

Director's Box

He' ba' lo'.

Thank you everyone for your efforts to curb COVID-19 from your home community with masking, social-distancing, and getting vaccinated. All of these measures continue to proving effective.

We are all excited to hear from the CDC that once vaccinated, masking becomes not so needed. This is another great reason to get the vaccination. At the same time, please continue to mask until your Tribal, State, County authority has issued the official notice that we can stop.

Please see the survey in this newsletter and let us know your needs. We stand with you.

- Robert Pitts, Jr., HHS Director

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HHS Department Job Opportunities (Open until filled)

Title VI Program Assistant - Required HS Dip/GED. Position duties include providing a delicious and nutritious meal to Elders Monday through Friday, ensuring kitchen follows health & safety guidelines, friendly and professional interactions with participants, staff and other providers. Starting at \$16/hr, full-time position, medical/dental/vision benefits with paid accrued sick and vacation time.

Social Worker - BA Social Work. Position duties include overseeing Tribal Services, and providing individual support and group skills. Prior work experience preferred. Starting at \$21/hr, full-time position, medical/dental/vision benefits with paid accrued sick and vacation time.

Contact the HHS Director at 707-733-5055 for more information.

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

Provides low-income households with financial support for home energy needs:

- Up to \$250 on home energy bills
- Up to \$250 on propane service for home heating
- Up to \$250 on a wood delivery for home heating (prior approval needed before delivery)

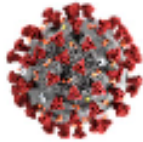


\$250 cap per household, per grant year (Oct-Sep)

For more information, or to apply,
please contact **the HHS Dept at 707-733-5055.**

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Submitted By: Robert Pitts



COVID News

The Wiyot Tribe is still adhering to social distancing at the Reservation. Always wear a face mask whenever you are with anyone outside of your household, sanitize and wash hands frequently.

PPE — If you are in need of PPE, we have a supply and can send you some.

COVID Testing — While we are not providing testing, we can help you find options of where to go.

Vaccinations — While we are not providing vaccinations, we can help you find options of where to go.

Call HHS at 707-733-5055

How to Protect Yourself When Going Out

- Wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth to help protect yourself and others.
- Stay 6 feet apart from others who don't live with you.
- Avoid crowds.
- Avoid poorly ventilated indoor spaces.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use hand sanitizer if soap and water aren't available.

When should you quarantine?

- You were within 6 feet of someone who has COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more
- You provided care at home to someone who is sick with COVID-19
- You had direct physical contact with the person (hugged or kissed them)
- You shared eating or drinking utensils
- They sneezed, coughed, or somehow got respiratory droplets on you

For more information on COVID, please visit CDC at [cdc.gov/covid19](https://www.cdc.gov/covid19)

**CASES ARE RISING.
ACT NOW!**



WEAR A MASK



STAY 6 FEET APART



AVOID CROWDS

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Submitted By: Robert Pitts

JUNE 2021 Elder Meal Menu

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	
		Deli Wrap	Vegetable Lasagna	Meatloaf	Pulled Pork Sandwich	
	7	8	9	10	11	
	Baked Chicken	Spaghetti	Chef Salad	Stir Fry	Sloppy Joe	
	14	15	16	17	18	
	Enchilada's	Broccoli Cheese Soup	Pork Chop	Chicken Alfredo	Spinach & Strawberry Salad with Chicken	
	21	22	23	24	25	
	Chili	Sweet & Sour Chicken	Denver Omelet	Fish Taco	Vegetable Soup ½ Egg Salad Sandwich	
	28	29	30			
	Frito Pie	Tomato Soup and ½ Tuna Salad Sandwich	Chicken Broccoli Casserole			

Laqilh Haluni' "Valued Elders (age 55+)" Nutrition Program

If you would like a Monday through Friday meal delivery and live within a 25 miles from Table Bluff Reservation, please call the HHS Dept. for more information at 707-733-5055.

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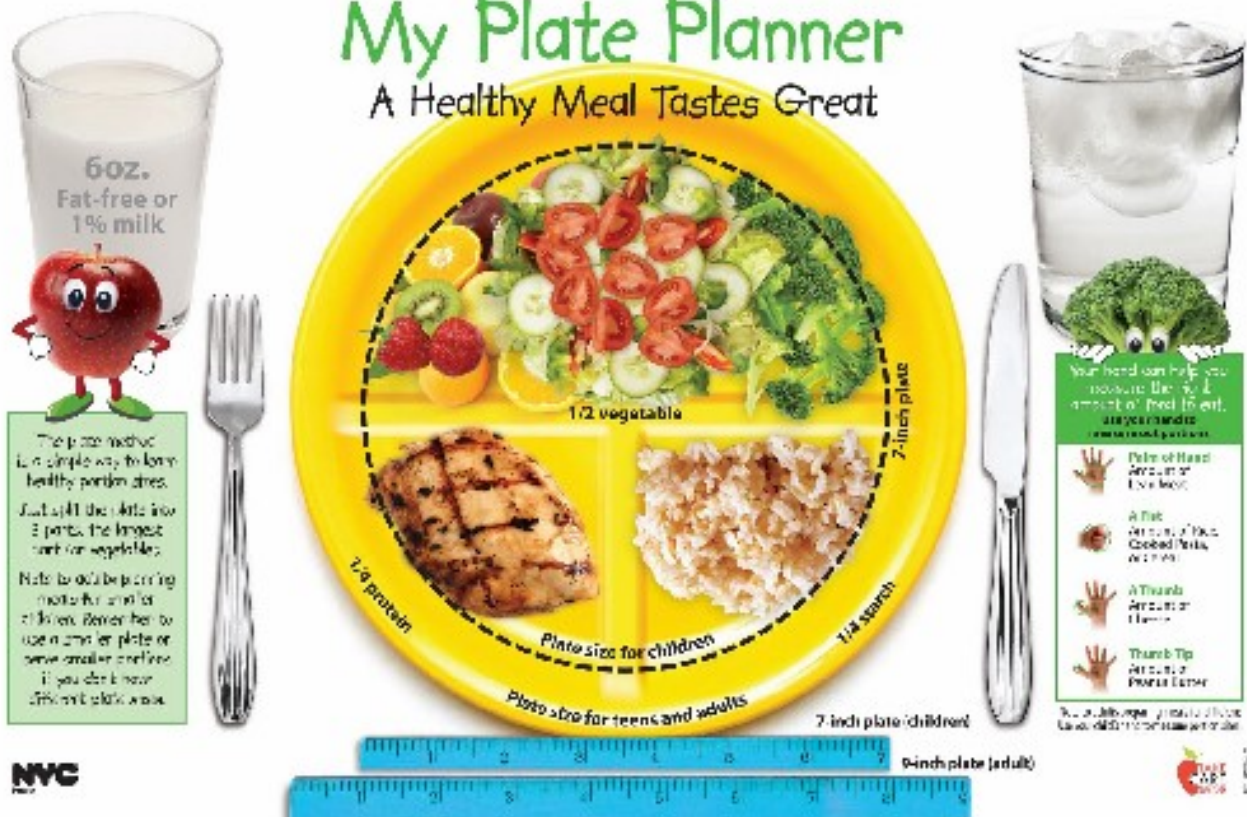
Submitted By: Robert Pitts

INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT

Are you and your family looking for dietary support, seeking nutritional and diet-based solutions to your health issues?

The Humboldt County Cooperative Extension, in cooperation with United States Department of Agriculture and University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources, has an Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program specifically to address Tribal citizen needs. This program "assists limited-resource families [to] gain the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and changed behavior necessary to choose nutritionally sound diets and improve their well-being."

You can reach out to our local instructor, Jessica Rebholtz, for more information on her courses or individual support at 707-445-7351.



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Submitted By: Robert Pitts

March 25, 2021

Dear Tribal Member:

He' ba' lo'.

It has been one year since the start of the COVID-19 Pandemic. We have each had to adjust our life to get through this together, and for solutions to come out to get to the end.

One of the key solutions is the COVID-19 Vaccine. As We would like to get an idea of who has been vaccinated and who has yet to receive it. This is a key measure so that we can start reopening services at Table Bluff Reservation, and we as a Tribe can look at having Tribal Events again.

For anyone who is interested in getting the vaccine, and is having trouble, we would like to know those barriers so that we can assist.

Please know that any health provider doing the vaccination is making this free to all adults due to the efforts of the State Governments and the US Government. Vaccine clinics are running weekdays and weekends to accommodate patients' schedules. There is still research into a vaccine for children, and there may be some teenagers receiving it. But at the very least, if we can get all adult Tribal Members vaccinated, it would make a big difference in being able to see everyone in-person again.

If you are unsure about the vaccine being right for you, we encourage you to contact your health provider and get your questions answered.

This survey is completely voluntary, yet keep in mind that the more information we get, the better we can assess the rest of 2021, and to start planning for 2022.

After you complete, please return to the HHS of OES Departments, 1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta, CA 95551. Or call us at (707) 733-5055 so that we can support you.

Hang in there, reach out for support, and thank you for your participation.

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Robert Pitts Jr & Heather Blevins
HHS Director OES Coordinator

Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

NAME	
ADDRESS	
PHONE	
EMAIL	

	How many adults live in the home?
	How many children live in the home?

YES	NO	
		How many adults have/have not been vaccinated?
		How many children have/have not been vaccinated?

For anyone not vaccinated, please indicate current reasons:

- ☐ Not sure how, where to go
- ☐ Transportation issue

Please explain: _____

- ☐ Difficult scheduling due to childcare
- ☐ My health provider suggests I not receive it at this time
- ☐ OTHER

Please explain: _____

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Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

Submitted By: Michelle Vassel

Trade Work Training Opportunity

Gody Reithe is a ninth-year journeyman Operating Engineer who grew up in Humboldt County. Gody credits his success to his work ethic and willingness to learn, and to the companies that were willing to train him as an apprentice. He's worked on important community restoration projects such as the Crescent City Harbor after the tsunami and the Oroville Dam when it failed.

Learn the construction trade is a great way to gain hands-on experience and training in your chosen field.

SmartCenter, June 14 - July 16, 2019
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VISIT WWW.NORTHSTATEBUILDS.COM



Looking to start a new career? Have you ever thought about a job in the construction trades but weren't sure which trade would be right for you? Electrical? Plumbing? Masonry? General Contracting? Smart Workforce Center and North State Builds are offering a FREE, 5-week pre-apprenticeship training opportunity! Participants receive a daily stipend to attend, will receive their OSHA 10, first aid, CPR and pre-apprenticeship certificates, and

may provide additional financial assistance to help you enter an apprenticeship in your chosen field! Trade jobs provide the highest wages without a college degree. **Plumber** (Median salary: \$55,162) Plumbers install, maintain, and replace everything from gas and water lines to kitchen and bathroom fixtures. While the job may include unpredictable hours on both nights and weekends, it also comes with a high degree of independence, income stability and flexibility. **Electrician** (\$56,181) Electricians plan electrical systems, inspect, and maintain circuit breakers and transformers, and install/repair wiring, fixtures, and fuse boxes. One of the few career paths with paid on-the-job training, electricians often learn their trade via apprenticeships lasting anywhere from four to five years.

Classes start June 14 - July 16 at College of the Redwoods.

To learn more or sign up, contact Smart today:

707-441-5627

jobhelpmb@thesmartcenter.biz

www.northstatebuilds.com

IS A CAREER IN THE CONSTRUCTION TRADES FOR YOU?



North State Builds and the American Job Center of Colusa present
140-Hour Pre-Apprenticeship Training
(Exploration, Work Readiness, Executive Prep)
June 14 - July 16, 2019 College of the Redwoods, Eureka

To learn more and apply, contact your local AJCC
Humboldt, Del Norte, Trinity County Residents
Call or apply at the AJCC Center (222) www.northstatebuilds.com
707-441-5627

THE AMERICAN JOB CENTER



This program is a jointly funded effort of the American Job Center and the Smart Workforce Center. The American Job Center is a federal agency and the Smart Workforce Center is a local agency.

Truck Driving: Getting on the Road to Your Future . . .

College of the Redwoods Truck Driver Training Program teaches background information, break-in skills, and offers behind-the-wheel training preparation for most trucking jobs. This intensive six-week course has 45 hours of lecture and 45 hours of "behind-the-wheel" instruction. Each student receives 45 additional hours of observation time in the truck. *"College of the Redwoods' Truck Driving course was life changing for me. It gave me the skills and confidence needed to pursue a career I can be successful and proud of"* - Nakia Cook. Upon completion of the course, the instructor will schedule the student's DMV road test. If students pass the road test, they will receive their Class-A license.

To begin College of the Redwoods' Truck Driver Training Program, **students must sign up to get on the wait list, once there are enough students to schedule the training, applicants will be required to attend an informational meeting.** This is an opportunity to receive an application and information packet about the program. Instructors will give a summary of what to expect from the program. Potential students will also be able to hear about financing plans and possible funding resources for students who are eligible.

Eligibility will be discussed further in the mandatory informational meeting. It is important to speak with the instructor at the informational meeting before completing any of the tasks below. To attend the College of the

Redwoods' Truck Driving Program, a student must be at least 18 years of age and complete or provide the following:

- Pass a Basic Skills Test (Reading, Writing and Math)
- Copy of current license
- Current DMV License Record Print-out
- CDOT Medical Exam
- DOT Drug Screen
- California Class A Learner's Permit

Funding confirmed - If you are being sponsored, a sponsorship letter from the sponsoring agency is required by entrance requirements deadline

Mandatory Pre-Class Meetings: Students must attend all pre-class meetings announced at Informational Meetings. Dates: TBD – (Aiming for July 2021) - This is an intensive six-week course! - **Class is delayed and students that have already applied will be notified when we are able to start up this class again.**

Days: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays,
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Behind-the-wheel will be 45 hours and observation will be 45 hours for a total of 90 hours in the truck. Days and times will be arranged with the instructors in the mornings, afternoon, and/or weekends. Fee: \$4,295 (Additional fees may be paid by the student to DMV and for medical screen.) Location: 525 D Street Eureka, CA, **Payment Plan Available!** Down Payment: \$1,000, Monthly Payment: \$549.17 for 6 months. Contact CR for more info at: (707) 476-4500

Wiyot Tribal Citizens can apply for Vocational education to help pay for this program.

Gock Wuck “Knowledge”

Submitted By: Michelle Vassel



PROJECT REBOUND
SACRAMENTO STATE



FREE REENTRY LEGAL CLINIC

Speak with a lawyer to learn about your rights if you are facing legal barriers because of an arrest or conviction record, including access to employment, housing, public benefits, family & children, parole & probation, and more!

DATE: June 14 - 17, 2021 | 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. PT

OPEN TO: Residents of San Joaquin, Sacramento, Mendocino, Lake, Del Norte, and Humboldt counties

LOCATION: Over the phone. A legal team member will call you at your appointment time for an intake.

SIGN UP: Visit bit.ly/june-clinic or call Root & Rebound at (510) 279-4662.

APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED FOR THIS CLINIC.

ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED IN THIS FLYER WERE SUPPORTED IN PART BY THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT GRANTS PROGRAM WITHIN THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Lhatsik Houmoulu'l "House of Tradition"

Submitted By: Hazel Garcia

The Cultural Department has mailed the necklaces and sashes if you have not received yours feel free to contact Hazel via email or call tribal office at 707-733-5055 ext. 118 or hazel@wiyot.us . We are asking all graduates if they can email graduation pictures wearing the sash or necklace so we can put them in July's newsletter. The Cultural Department has been focused on permits from the county and cities. We have also been working on the Blue Ox dugout project for the youth, we have received the grant from the Native Culture Fund. We have also been working on implementing the dress making class.

we would like to remind everyone that we still have Language cards if you are interested, we can mail them to all who would like them.

Departments

Tsek Houdaqh Youth Program:

Tsek Houdaqh will be closed for the week of June 14-18 so that we can thoroughly clean the Youth Center and get ready for the summer we will reopen June 21 the hours will 8am – 5 pm. Tsek Houdaqh will be mailing out summer packets which will include membership application, field trip slips and the programs policies and procedures. We have lots of fun activities and field trips planned to keep the youth busy once we have a set schedule, we will post it in July's newsletter.

JOM

If your children need assistance with homework, they can contact Margaret Card our JOM Co-ordinator at Tsek Houdaqh (707)733-5055 or at mcard@wiyot.us.



Our culture is a living spirit that must continue to thrive. Our generation must carry on with the traditional ways and the stories from our elders and ancestors that have gone before us.



Tsek Houdaqh *'where the children are'*

Submitted By: Hazel Garcia

June 2021

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

	1 Hash browns Eggs Fruit	2 French toast Fruit	3 Bagel Fruit Milk	4 Eggs Toast Milk
7 Cereal Fruit Milk	8 Breakfast Burrito Fruit	9 Pancakes Fruit Milk	10 Hash browns Sausage Fruit	11 Biscuit & Gravy Fruit
14 Waffles Fruit	15 Eggs Sausage Milk	16 Bagel Fruit Milk	17 French toast sticks Fruit	18 Cereal Fruit Milk
21 Biscuit & Gravy Fruit	22 Breakfast Burrito Fruit	23 Hash browns Eggs Fruit	24 Waffles Fruit	25 Cereal Fruit Milk
28 French toast sticks Fruit	29 Eggs Sausage Milk	30 Bagel Fruit Milk	<u>Breakfast</u> <u>Menu</u>	

SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

Tsek Houdaqh is participating in the Summer Food Program. Meals will be provided to all children without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided, at a first come, first serve basis, at the site and times as follows:

Food will be served at: Tsek Houdaqh

1000 Wiyot Dr

Loleta Ca

Breakfast at 8:00-9:00am

There will be no substitutions to the menu unless your child/ren are allergic to any foods on the menu

Starting June 21-August 13

Tsek Houdaqh 'where the children are'

Submitted By: Hazel Garcia

June 2021

Mon

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	1 Taco's Fruit	2 Grilled Cheese Sandwiches Vegetable Fruit	3 Stir fried rice Fruit	4 Burrito Vegetable
7 Quesadilla Vegetable Fruit	8 Chicken Fajita Fruit Vegetable	9 Chili Fruit Vegetable	10 Hot dogs Vegetable Fruit	11 Ham Sandwiches Fruit Vegetable
14 Beef Stew Fruit	15 Quesadilla Vegetable Fruit	16 Mac N Cheese Vegetable Fruit	17 Spaghetti Fruit Vegetable	18 Chicken Sandwich Fruit Vegetable
21 Stir fried rice Fruit	22 Corn Dogs Vegetable Fruit	23 Make your own Pizza!	24 Grilled Cheese Sandwiches Vegetable Fruit	25 Burrito Vegetable
28 Chicken noodle Soup Fruit	29 Taco's Fruit	30 Quesadilla Vegetable Fruit	<u>Lunch Menu</u>	

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1000 Wiyot Dr
Loleta Ca

Lunch at 12:00-1:00pm

Starting June 21-August 13

Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted By: Adam Canter

Dreaming Big with the Wiyot Tribe and Community

Ha'wa'lou from the Wiyot Tribe and Natural Resources Department (*Shawir Darrudaluduk*). We hope this newsletter finds you all healthy and out and enjoying the beauty and regenerative capacity of nature. The Wiyot Tribe have, since time immemorial, held deep relationships with the plants, animals, air, fish, water, and beings of the *Wigi*, *Wiya't*, and *Baduwa't*, stewarding resources of the lands, waters, and sky. As this last year has finally illuminated, the ruling society is being reminded of the atrocities that were committed by settler-colonialism and the inequalities that systematic racism has placed upon Native Americans, minorities, and people of color. The Wiyot's once vast and nearly 500 square mile ancestral territory, which ran from Moonstone Beach to *Tsakiyuwit* (Bear River Ridge) and inland to the first ridge of the coast range, was violently taken away and the Wiyot people nearly wiped out by abuse, dis-

ease, and the infamous massacre at *Tuluwat* and other sites around the *Wigi* in February 1860.

Since that horrible time in 1860, the Wiyot have been working hard at rebuilding their culture and reclaiming stolen lands. The process has been slow and today the Wiyot hold less than 1% of their ancestral lands, with many habitat types and cultural sites locked away in private or government hands. After years in the making, in 2019 the Wiyot were returned a majority of the southern portion of Indian Island, which along with the northern parcels, consists of the Wiyot center of the universe and site of the world renewal ceremony at *Tuluwat*, as well as the shell mound, *Hut-verroulh* at what is now known as the rookery. Much of this property consists of saltmarsh and low elevation tidelands subject to inundation by future sea level rise (SLR). As the WNRD continues with its work through the Bureau of Indian

Affairs (BIA) Tribal Resilience Program grant to begin developing a Wiyot Climate Change Adaptation Plan, Tribal citizens have expressed the importance of securing more upland cultural and gathering sites which will be resilient to SLR and ensure access to Wiyot ancestral lands and waters.

One upland site that the Tribe is in talks with a private landowner about providing a cultural easement for the Tribe, is the sacred site of *Dalhalilh*, which is known today as Mill Creek Falls in McKinleyville (see photo). The WNRD assisted the THPO on a site visit last month and the possibility is moving forward with the County. The Wiyot hope to facilitate future eco-cultural restoration at the site by removing non-native invasive plants like English ivy (*Hedera helix*) and encourage community stewardship and more controlled access to discourage vandalism.

Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted By: Adam Canter

As the state and nation begin to place more attention on Native American Land Return, the Wiyot are thrilled about the deepening of the relationship between the Tribe and Friends of the Dunes (FOD) around the recently acquired Samoa Dunes and Wetlands property, which also has immense cultural significance to the Tribe. The Wiyot are a people of the dunes, holding generations worth of traditional ecological knowledge about the habitats and centered around the arts of surf fishing and the cultural extravaganza of the dune forest huckleberry harvest. The bay-side parcels within the Samoa Dunes and Wetlands acquisition hold special significance and were a part of the Wiyot place, *Digawututklh*, which offers a direct line of site to *Tuluwat* and lies along the main Wiyot route of travel from *Batuwa't*.



Figure 1. Dalhalilh or Mill Creek Falls, Wiyot cultural site in McKinleyville, April 2021

Presently Mike Cipra and FOD has met with the Wiyot to welcome and provide unhampered access to the property, while also beginning exciting negotiations with the project funders including the California Coastal Conservancy (one of the conservation purchase funders), the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, the BLM, and the Humboldt Bay Harbor District and all partners seem interested and willing to pursue this pathway of the Wiyot Tribe being the permanent conservation landowner of the bayside parcels. Mike noted, that speaking “for Friends of the Dunes, we are very interested in working in partnership with the Wiyot toward this outcome as well”. FOD will present the proposition formally to the Tribe at the Wiyot Tribal Council meeting, June 7th. Please contact the WNRD if you would like to visit and find out more information about the site. It is dreams and collaborations like this that make our community great and work toward healing the wounds of the past, present, and future. -Adam Canter, Wiyot Natural Resources Department, adam@wiyot.us

Water Operations Update

Table Bluff Reservation water system is running smoothly. Both wells are being used and we are currently tracking the drawdown at Well 2. With summer approaching, warm weather here, and the California drought worsening, we ask all residents to be mindful of their water usage. We are checking the water meters for each house at the beginning of every month.

(A reminder to residents on Bayview Dr on the reservation: Please do not flush anything foreign objects down the toilet, Thanks!!!-WNRD)

Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted By: Adam Canter

Greetings from the Natural Resources Department, spring has sprung, and summer is near!

We have a few updates from the NRD involving our summer fisheries project, news on the proposed Nordic aqua farm project on Humboldt bay and NRD water operator updates.

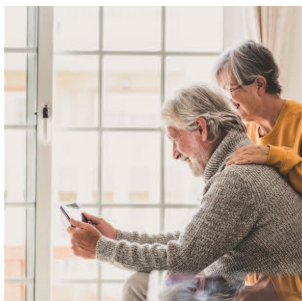
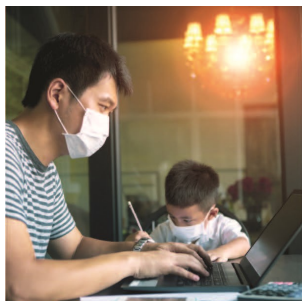
Summertime is rapidly approaching and as always, it's an exciting time because with warm weather and river days comes department field work on the Eel River. The continuation of the department's PCSRF (Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund) grant project, in which the NRD will test multiple methods of population suppression on the invasive Sacramento Pikeminnow, will begin mid-June and continue into late September. The NRD staff will work alongside colleagues from Still Water Sciences, and volunteers from differing agencies and the greater fisheries community, to collect data on pikeminnow population estimates, removal and population suppression methods and predation on native fish. Methods of population suppression for the invasive Pikeminnow will include boat electro-fishing, seine and fyke netting, baiting trapping, traditional angling, and night dip netting. The 2021 and 2022 field seasons will be the biggest efforts put towards this specific project since it's proposal, and we hope that the data collected during these two years will shed even more light on the distribution and population of Pikeminnow in the South Fork, as well as native salmonid predation by the invasive population. We will continue to update the Tribal community on the PCSRF project status, and all relevant data will be shared to the Wiyot Tribal Community website once the project season is completed.

Regarding our water operating staff, both Hilanea Wilkinson and Corinne Alton, NRD water operators in training, are prepping for the State Water Board Water Operator certification exam. They are taking classes every month through Sacramento state, RCAC, ITCA and EPA. With covid 19 the state is just starting to accept applications for the online exam. They are working on the drinking water system and wastewater lift station everyday along with many other tasks for the Natural Resources Department. With the summer weather approaching, the NRD water operators remind us that California remains in a drought and ask for all residents to be mindful of their personal water usage during these warmer months and especially during significant drought periods.

In other news, the proposed Humboldt Bay fish farm from Nordic Aquafarms, set to be placed on the old Samoa pulp mill, closes their public comments for the initial project on May 24th, however, the draft ocean discharge permit will remain open for public comment until June 4th, so make sure to place your comments or concerns with the project before the closing date. The County Planning Commission hearing for the fish farm is scheduled to take place on June 3rd at 6pm.



Figure 1: NRD staff Eddie Koch and Brianna Phillips perform boat electrofishing with Still Water Science's Sam Rizza



EMERGENCY BROADBAND BENEFIT

WHAT IS IT?

The Emergency Broadband Benefit is a temporary FCC program to help households struggling to afford internet service during the pandemic.

The benefit provides:

- Up to \$50/month discount for broadband services;
- Up to \$75/month discount for households on qualifying Tribal lands; and
- A one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet purchased through a participating provider.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

A household is eligible if one member of the household:

- Has an income that is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guide lines or participates in certain government assistance programs;
- Receives benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch or breakfast program;
- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year;
- Experienced a substantial loss of income due to job loss or furlough since February 29, 2020; or
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income or COVID-19 program.

THREE WAYS TO APPLY

1

Contact your preferred participating provider directly to learn about their application process.

2

Go to [GetEmergencyBroadband.org](https://www.GetEmergencyBroadband.org) to submit an application and to find participating providers near you.

3

Complete a mail in application and send it along with proof of eligibility to:

Emergency Broadband Support Center
P.O. Box 7081
London, KY 40742

LEARN MORE



Call 833-511-0311, or

Visit [fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit](https://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit)



Emergency Broadband Benefit Program

The Federal Communications Commission has launched a temporary program to help families and households struggling to afford Internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Emergency Broadband Benefit provides a discount of up to \$50 per month toward broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers.

Eligible households can enroll through a [participating broadband provider](#) or directly with the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) using an [online](#) or mail in application.

You can learn more about the benefit, including eligibility and enrollment information, by visiting www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit, or by calling 833-511-0311



Tsek Houdagh 'where the children are'

Submitted By: Hazel Garcia



Lindsey Abernathy

Congratulation's Class of 2021
The adventure begins



Lenard Miller

Heath Johnson

Jeralyn Miller

Joyce Hernandez

River Purdum

*Your life is your
story and the
adventure ahead of
you is the journey
to fulfill your own
purpose and
potential.*

Kerry Washington

Jorge Mendez Jr.

Re'lee James

Tyler Miller

Elizabeth Hernandez

Alvaro Calderon-Stephenson



Alan Stephenson III

Jeremy Roberts





Native Dads Network 2021 WELLNESS TOUR



Native Dads Network (NDN) understands how hard it has been in this pandemic so we are packing our bags and coming to your community! The purpose of this tour is to bring cultural teachings, healing, and wellness to your community in person. Topics will include substance abuse prevention, suicide prevention, community building, opioid education and Narcan training. This is a free event and we will be practicing social distancing to ensure safety for each community member. Come out and join us for this event to learn new tools, inspire hope for change, and build unity in our communities!

June 5th, 2021

9 am to 4pm

Bear River Recreation Center

265 Keisner Rd. Loleta, CA 95551



Seventh Generation Fund
for Indigenous Peoples, Inc.

Lunch will be provided!

To Register:

<https://form.jotform.com/211296055415149>

For more information contact Social Services:

707-733-1900 option 2



THE CALIFORNIA
Wellness
FOUNDATION

Gock Wuck “Knowledge”

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez



May 10, 2021 Council Highlights

•**Council Present:** Ted Hernandez, Brian Mead, Marnie Atkins, Linda Lange, Hazel James, Vanessa Rios and Aaron Stephenson

•**Staff Present:** Michelle Vassel, Fawn Lopez, Ted Hernandez, Robert Pitts Jr., Brian Allen and Eddie Koch

- The agenda was approved
- The consent calendar was approved
- Guest Speak- Kathleen C. Whiteley- Assistant Professor of Native American History UC Davis.
- Public Forum-Betty Owen-Mead, Madison Flynn and Mariah Buckley.
- 1. Council approved Fiscal Year 2021 funding Older Americans Act Nutrition Services Incentive Program for the Native Americans #2042CAOANT-01 and adopt budget.
- 2. Council approved Letter of Support for Erik McGoldrick Dalhalih Falls Conservation Easement.
- 3. Council approved Child Care Development Block Grant 21QQCACDC6 and adopt budget.
- 4. Council approved Child Care Development Block Grant 21QQCACSC6 and adopt budget.
- 5. Council approved Resolution 21-08 ANA Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance Grant.
- 6. Council approved land assignment holder Ted Hernandez to construct fence and assemble shed.
- 7. Land assignment holder Franklin Evenson plans for covered deck tabled to next Tribal Council meeting June 14, 2021.
- 8. Council approved Flicker Fund Award and adopt budget.
- 9. Council approved Humboldt Area Foundation Award and adopt budget.



Friendly Reminders

Elders and Disabled Tribal Members that live on the Reservation will not be charged for lawn mowing services however please check your yard prior to your lawn being mowed, and remove any debris, It's hard to see debris lying in your yard when cutting grass, if unnoticed it can cause damage to our equipment. We appreciate your cooperation, also please call the Tribal Office prior to burning there has been several occasions that Tribal members are burning without the proper burn permit. There are only certain days that are permitted so please call the Tribal Office for more information 707-733-5055.



Melva Duclo
Tommy Tompkins
John Mager
Elaine Butler
Leanne Sinigeani
Mark Conley
Cheryl A. Seidner
Jonathan Friend
Tina Johnson
Brandon Johnson
William Jones
Celeste Anderson
Samantha McGowan
Michael Owen
Stacie Stout
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Bruce Bigelow

Did you move and forget to change your address? You can fax 707-733-5601 or email addresschange@wiyot.us This will help in getting your mail to you in a timely manner, if your address isn't up to date then this will slow your RSTF, newsletter and other important Tribal mail in getting to you. Please note there is a \$25.00 charge for a stop payment for RSTF checks, our policy has always been Tribal members need to wait 90 days from the date the checks were mailed out to reissue another RSTF check. It is very important to keep an updated address on file, you can call the Tribal Office to check your address 707-733-5055 or 800-388-7633



Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

Wood for sale

Tan oak seasoned
\$300.00 Tribal mem-
bers
\$400.00 non-Tribal
members

Tribal Elders receive

One cord free for the year!

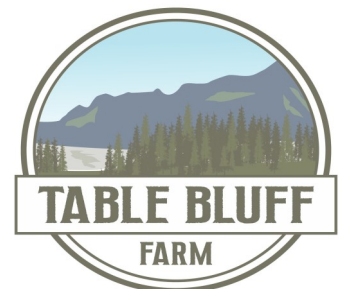
For more information please con-
tact Aaron at the Tribal Office 707-
733-5055.



Wiyot Tribal
Members are you
interested about
barrier-free farm
share system.

When you sign up
for the season, it's

\$20/week for a box of veggies, \$6 more for a
dozen eggs, and we have other goods availa-
ble for purchase, including pastured chicken
& pork, nuts, fresh herbs, and seasonal flow-
ers. For More information please contact
Hannah Eisloeffel, Table Bluff Farm LLC 707-
890-6699



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Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

Enrollment Committee: Upcoming meetings June 7th , 2021

JUNE 2021						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 <i>Enrollment Mtg Via tele- phone/zoom</i>	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 <i>Public Com- ments & Link request due</i>	15	16	17	18	19
20 <i>Happy fa- ther's Day</i>	21 <i>First day of Summer</i>	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

*Due to the COVID-19 Global Pandemic, Wiyot Tribal Council meeting scheduled for 6/14/2021 will be held by Tele/video conference or both. To submit public comments for this meeting prior to meeting, please email comments to councilsupport@wiyot.us by 12pm Monday 06/14/2021. All public comments received by 12pm will be read into the record during the regular meeting, also to receive a link for the meeting please request the link before 12pm 06/14/2021. Public comments received after 12pm will not be read into the record but will be included in the official minutes.

Wiyot Tribal Council

Ted HernandezTribal Chairman (2020-2024)
Brian Mead.....Vice Chairman (2018-2022)
Marnie Atkins.....Secretary (2021-2025)
Linda Lange.....Treasurer (2019-2023)
Vanessa Rios.....Council Member (2021-2025)
Hazel Garcia.....Council Member (2019-2023)
Aaron StephensonCouncil Member (2020-2024)

Da Rou Gawok “Everyone working Together”

Michelle Vassel.....Tribal Administrator
Fawn Lopez...Executive Assistant to TA/Council Clerk
Lisa Stephenson.....Enrollment Clerk
Vanessa Rios.....Receptionist
Heather Blevins.....Emergency Operator
Aaron Stephenson...Maintenance Technician
Sebastian Rios Moreno.....Grounds Maintenance Assistant

Gou’will da lalouluwuk “Taking care of People”

Robert Pitts Jr.....Health & Human Service Director
Vacant.....Laqilh Haluni Assistant
Gary Markussen Sr.....ICWA Advocate
VacantSocial Work Advocate
Dr. Rita Wafler.....Licensed MFT
Jennifer Boak.....Counseling Mental Health Intern

Hiwechk “Money”

Brian Allen.....Fiscal Manager
VacantAccounts Receivables
Annette Pastori.....Accounts Payables

Lhatsik Houmoulul’l “House of Tradition”

Ted Hernandez.....Cultural Director
Hazel Garcia.....Cultural Assistant
Dr. Lynnika ButlerLinguist
Pilar James.....Language Specialist
Marnie Atkins.....Cultural Museum Manager

Tsek Houdagh “Where the Children are”

Hazel GarciaYouth Program Manager
Margaret Card.....Johnson O’Malley Coordinator
Grant Bryant.....Youth Program Assistant
Vacant.....Youth Program Assistant
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Shawir Darrudaluduk “We belong to the Wilderness”

Eddie Koch.....Natural Resources Director
Adam Canter.....Natural Resources Specialist
Bri Philips.....Natural Resources Technician
Hilanea Wilkinson...Natural Resources Technician in training
George Buckley.....Water Operator
Corrine Alton.....Water Operator Assistant in training

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Submitted By: Fawn Lopez



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Change of Address Request Form

This is to confirm that my new mailing address is as follows:

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: () _____

Previous Names Used: _____

Children who will be effected (legal name and Date of Birth:

Signature: _____

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