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Black Hawk Health Center Expansion Targeted for April 2023 Completion

The Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee has approved a \$12.3 million contract with Lambert Construction of Stillwater, Okla. for the expansion and renovation of Black Hawk Health Center. The development is projected to take 30 months to complete, and includes phases for construction and demolition pertaining to the renovation portion. The first phase of construction is expected to take 18 months with a targeted finish date of Feb., 25, 2022. The demolition portion is projected to take two months, and a move-in date is estimated for 12 months later in April of 2023. The renderings shown here were prepared by the project architects, Studio 45 Architects of Tulsa.

Thomas Morris Jr. Remembered as First Tribal Court Magistrate in Okla. History

Served The Sac and Fox Nation in All Three Branches of Government

I am pleased to be a part of

the celebration of Tommy's

life - a life that was well-lived.

Tommy was a distinguished and

honorable individual who loved

(Editor's Note: The following eulogy was written by former Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee Member Truman *Carter.*)

I had the privilege of calling Tommy my friend and working beside Tommy at the Sac and Fox Nation, beginning in the 1980's.

I was honored when the fami-tribal service.

ly asked me to write this eulogy. I would like to express my sincere condolences to Tommy's family, his friends, and all of his tribal relations. Tommy's enduring personal legacy is his family legacy and his legacy of

his God; he loved his family; and he loved his Indian people. In the 1980's, Tommy served as Committeeman on the Sac and Fox Business Committee. Tommy's leadership and actions were significant as the Sac and Fox Nation led the revitalization and renaissance of tribal governments in Oklahoma. As Committeeman, he served in

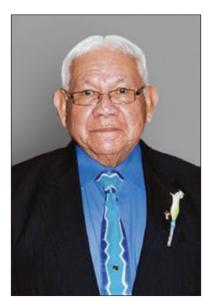
> branches of tribal government. After his service as a tribal leader, in 1985 Tommy was

the executive and legislative

appointed to serve as the first Magistrate of a tribal court in Oklahoma history. The Business Committee's appointment of Tommy as the court's first lay judge, and the support of his tribal community, spoke volumes about the trust and confidence in Tommy's ability to administer justice and ensure fairness to the parties and attorneys who appeared before him

in court. Tommy leaves a remarkable legacy of public service to his Tribe. He accomplished the rare, historic and unheard of 'trifecta' of government service: Tommy honorably served in all 3 branches of tribal government. No one has accomplished this

feat before or since. His life will serve as an inspiration to all of us who knew him.



Thomas Morris Jr.

New Transportation Facility: A Tribal Story of Planning, Design, **Development and Construction**

Construction is completed on the new Sac and Fox Nation Transportation Facility, which will also house the tribal Elders and the Veterans organizations. The inside furnishings are being delivered and installed on a daily basis. Although the coronavirus pandemic appeared in the spring, work on the project was never delayed or interrupted.

Tribal transportation representatives led the entire process of planning, development, plan design, engineering, contract development and management, bidding, selection, pre-construction meetings, project coordination, project management, specification enforcement and compliance, and inspection of the construction work performed. Representation of the Elders and Veterans groups participated and played a vital role in the planning and development process. The tribal project manager was Randle Carter. The tribal inspector was Cecil Bernard.

"We were well aware that, regardless of how well we planned and designed our facility, if it does not get constructed properly, we would be making a poor investment. Our project manager and Inspector oversaw the day-to-day on-site progress of our project, keeping the general contractor on task, on schedule, and on-budget. Our efforts were aimed at cost-control and ensuring quality professional workmanship and efficiency during construction," said Transportation Director Truman Carter.

Please watch for future announcements regarding the opening of the Transportation Facility.

Chief Justin Freeland Wood's Address to the Nation

September has been a difficult month for our family. We lost a great man, my best friend and the great-grandfather to my children. Clint taught me how to live and, in the end he taught me how to die.

I am grateful for the time I was able to spend with him for the past 13 years and especially for the time we had together over the past ten months while he persevered in the face of stage IV cancer. His faith in Jesus Christ was apparent in the grace and peace he radiated through the end of his earthly

I want to thank each of you who prayed with me and my family over the past several months. Joy is a strange thing. We are called to have it in the good times and the bad. And, it is different than happiness. I am joyful in my sorrow. Romans 12:15 instructs me to "Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep."

We are not the only family to lose someone we love and care for over the past year. Our people have lost grandparents, parents, and children. I am grateful and thank God for each of these lives and, I weep with you in death and rejoice with you in the healing that will come to our hearts and minds.

I thank those of you who were able to attend the 2020 Governing Council. I promised to follow up on our progress with the powwow comfort stations. Second Chief and the Maintenance Department were directed by Governing Council Resolution to add actual comfort to the comfort stations. They have started the process of selecting a bid and plan to have a full report at our upcoming Special Governing Council for RAP Budget approval.

In other news, the Sac and Fox Nation has broken ground

on our clinic expansion and is soon to complete the Transportation Building, which also houses our Elders and Veteran's offices.

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Sac and Fox Nation **Principal Chief Justin Freeland Wood**

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Obituaries

nice (Gokey) Clark.



Mary Elizabeth Eldredge



Rev. Thomas Morris Jr.

Rev. Thomas Morris Jr.

Rev. Thomas Morris Jr. was born on November 23, 1934 in Pawnee, Oklahoma and went to be with The Lord on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at the age

Thomas was the son of Thomas Sr. and Bessie (Grant) Morris. He served in the United States Air Force from 1954 until 1958. Thomas married Beatrice Devore on December 22, 1962 in Shawnee, Oklahoma. He loved his wife, children, grandchildren and family dearly. He enjoyed leather work, arts and crafts, rodeo, and pow wow dancing.

Thomas was a very involved citizen of the Sac and Fox Nation. He served as Committeeman on the Business Committee 1983 and 1984 and again from 1987 through 1989. Thomas was voted Senior Man of the year in 2001. He was appointed the first tribal judge in any tribal court system in the State of Oklahoma. He served on the Rodeo committee, Powwow committee and Housing for the Sac and Fox Nation. He was also a member of the SF Veteran Honor Guard, serving as chaplain. Thomas worked for over 30 years and retired from Tinker AFB. For almost 19 years, Thomas was a preacher at North Rock Creek Assembly of God church in Shawnee, OK.

Thomas is preceded in death by his parents, Thomas Sr. and Bessie Morris; daughter, Carla Morris; sisters, Mae Warrior, Caroline Kisketon, Ruth Nullake, and Celestia Morris.

Thomas leaves behind his wife of 57 years, Beatrice Morris; 9 sons, Ronnie Morris, G.K. Morris, Russell Morris, Greg Morris, Michael Tsotaddle, Marvin Thurman, George Thurman; 4 daughters, Tina Morris, Bessie Morris, Marilyn Thurman and Darla Tsotaddle; numerous nieces and nephews; 14 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

A Wake was held September 13, 2020 at Parks Brothers Funeral Service in Stroud, OK. Funeral Services were held on September 14, 2020 at the First Assembly Church of God in Stroud, OK, officiated by Pastor Jeromye Jackson. Burial followed at Stroud Cemetery.



Mary Elizabeth Eldredge

Mary "Monkey" Elizabeth Eldredge, 93, passed peacefully from this life August 30, 2020. Mary was born on June 9, 1927 in Cushing, OK to Ernest and Eu-

Mary was the widow of James Eldredge. They were married on September 24, 1947 and shared 50 years of marriage together. She was a mother and homemaker, while James retired from Allied. She devoted much of her time and energy as a caregiver to her family. She enjoyed playing solitaire, doing word searches, sewing, embroidering, and cooking.

She was preceded in death by her par-

ents, husband, four brothers, three sisters, one son George Eldredge, and one daughter Joann Gilman.

Survivors include two siblings, brother Carmen Clark and sister Dolly Hodge; daughter, Deborah McElroy, and son, Charles Eldredge; seven grandchildren, Mark Gilman, Ronald Gilman, Victoria Brown, Charles Eldredge Jr., Shawn Eldredge, Katherine McElroy, and Misty Kirk. Also, eleven great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

No services will be held at this time. Care services are provided by Parks Brothers Funeral Service in Stroud, OK.

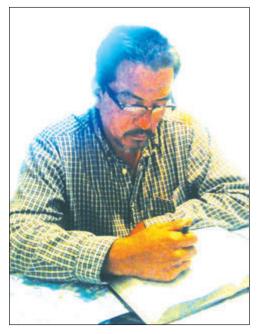
Larry Wayne Grass

Larry Wayne Grass, age 56 and a resident of Konawa, Okla., passed away Tuesday, August 25, 2020 at his home.

A Wake Service was held August 28, 2020 at Swearingen Funeral Home Chapel in Konawa, Okla.. Funeral services were held August 29, 2020 at Grace Community Church in Vamoosa, Okla. and, burial followed at the Givens Family Cemetery near Vamoosa. Rev. Arthur Carpitcher and Mike Grass officiated.

Larry was born April 4, 1964 in Claremore, Oklahoma to Lawrence Bordeaux and Carmen Sue Grass. He was a self-employed welder, and he married Alexa Givens June 27, 2009 at Birdcreek Church in Sasakwa, Okla. Hewas a member of the Indian Pentecostal Church of God in Konawa. He loved to eat, fish, and work. Most of all, he loved his "grand-babies."

He is survived by his wife, Alexa Grass of the home; five sons, Nickolas Grass of Taft, Okla., Jarred Grass of Apache, Okla., Wayne Grass of Shawnee, Okla., Anthony Jacoway of Konawa, and Frank Teboe of Shawnee, Okla.; one daughter, Larra Grass of Shawnee; one sister, Anita Thorpe of Oklahoma City; and sixteen grandchildren. He was preceded by his parents, and one son, Lucas.



Larry Wayne Grass

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Happy October Birthday Elders!

Terry Lynn West Amelia Ruth Grant George Dan Croley Kenneth Keith Kahbeah Debra Deann Anderson Glenda Charlotte Fuller Jovce Marie Kolpin Gladys P. Boyd Gail Ruth Harjo Peggy Ann Big Eagle Mary Dora Kaskuske Teresa Marie Larney Clay Woodward Jones Betty Lou Christie Dagmar Seely Margaret Ellen Bailey Richard Allen Harwell Teresa Ann Powell Judith Ellen Fields Ronald George Harris Jo Anna Fixico Stanley C. Trammell Celena Marie Ellis Shannon Chase Ward Jimmy Dean Estes Benjamin Charles McClellan Martha L. Bouzis Steven David Franklin

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Governing Council Minutes

SAC AND FOX NATION
ANNUAL GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING
SAC AND FOX RESERVATION
STROUD, OKLAHOMA

AUGUST 29, 2020

- Eugenia Tyner-Dawson motion to table August 31, 2019 and November 9, 2019 minutes until after the Treasurer's and Secretary's Report. Linda Standing-2nd. <u>VOTE: YES-35, NO-2, ABSTENTION-1 Motion</u> <u>Carried.</u>
- Katrina Exendine motion to approve the Secretary's Report. Dee Manatowa-2nd. <u>VOTE: YES-47, NO-0, ABSTENTIONS-3 Motion carried.</u>
- Peggy Big Eagle motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Dee Manatowa-2nd. <u>VOTE: YES-13, NO-36, ABSTENTIONS-3 Motion failed.</u>
- 4.) Dee Manatowa motion to approve the August 31, 2019 Governing Council meeting minutes. Eugenia Tyner-Dawson-2nd. <u>VOTE</u>: <u>YES</u>- 50, NO-0, ABSTENTIONS-6 Motion carried.
- 5.) Dee Manatowa motion to approve the November 9, 2019 Special Governing Council meeting minutes. Peggy Big Eagle-2nd. <u>VOTE: YES-48, NO-0, ABSTENTIONS-8 Motion carried.</u>
- 6.) Linda Standing motion for the Business Committee, including Second Chief Don Abney and the Maintenance Director to make recommendations, to review bids, and install air conditioning units that are ADA compliant in all the comfort stations located at the Powwow Grounds. The funding source is identified as first use of outside dollars, lastly using RAP monies. Dee Manatowa-2nd. VOTE: YES-50, NO-1, ABSTENTION-1 Motion carried.
- 7.) Dee Manatowa motion to have the Business Committee and the Policy Analyst review options in regards to virtual meetings and amend Constitution to address.
- 8.) Annette Rice motion to table the motion made by Dee Manatowa in regards to virtual meetings and address the issue of a budget and funding source in regards to those changes. Georgia Noble-2nd. <u>VOTE: YES-52, NO-1, ABSTENTION-0 Motion carried.</u>
- Cheryl McClellan motion to accept the Departmental Reports as is. Annette Rice- 2nd. VOTE: YES-29, NO-0, ABSTENTION-0. Motion carried.
- 10.) Eugenia Tyner-Dawson motion to have the tribal attorney look into the Chandler property deed to see if it is viable to be placed into trust and work with local government for economic development. Dorothy Tiger-2nd.
- 11.) Mary McCormick motion to table the motion by Eugenia Tyner-Dawson regarding the Chandler property deed. Suzanne Allen-2nd. <u>VOTE: YES-22, NO-12, ABSTENTION-0 Motion carried.</u>
- 12.) Peggy Big Eagle motion to adjourn. Terry Nanaeto-2nd. At 2:47p.m.

Getting a Flu Shot is Especially Important Due to Coronavirus

Getting the annual flu shot is always important. But this year, it might be essential. The SARS-Cov-2 coronavirus is surging throughout the state and much of the country, and many health experts are predicting an epidemic-level wave during the fall and winter months, right in the heart of the annual flu season in the U.S.

"That timing could be potentially disastrous for a number of reasons, but the most obvious is that the combined fight against coronavirus and influenza is potentially more than our healthcare system can handle," said Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation physician-scientist Eliza Chakravarty, M.D.

Since the coronavirus first started spreading across the U.S. earlier this year, it has resulted in almost 2.3 million confirmed cases and 120,000 deaths, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as of June 22. Those numbers – and the associated strain on hospitals and healthcare resources – could be compounded by the flu, which in the during the 2019-20 season infected as many as 56 million Americans, with 740,000 hospitalizations and nearly 62,000 deaths, according to preliminary CDC data.

"Efforts taken with the shutdown, like social distancing and wearing masks, have kept rates low enough to keep coronavirus patients separated from others who need other routine care," Chakravarty said. "Add another outbreak and toss in a fast-spreading virus like the flu, and all that progress could go out the window."

Chakravarty also worries about people getting exposed to both viruses. "Each of them is deadly enough individually, but we know they are especially dangerous

for those with compromised immunity or lung function," she said. "You don't want to catch both if you're already compromised."

The good news is that there are ways to avoid this nightmare scenario, said OMRF President Stephen Prescott, M.D.

"We have to maintain already sensible practices, like physical distancing, wearing masks, and washing our hands," said Prescott, a physician and researcher. "An obvious additional step is to get the flu shot. Even if you don't normally get one, this is the time to do it."

Flu shorts are generally inexpensive or free, and drive-thru vaccinations may become widely available. And while the shots are far from perfect, typically providing between 40 and 60 percent protection, "Some protection is better than none," said Prescott.

Even if you contract the flu after receiving your shot, vaccination often leads to a milder case, said Chakravarty.

"A less-severe version is always a good thing, but now it might also save you or a loved one a trip to the hospital where coronavirus exposure is possible," she said. "So, the bottom line is that flu shots save lives – this year, maybe more than ever."

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Chief Wood's Address to the Nation

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Please continue to look to the website and Facebook for updates on COVID Relief programs, as we will continue to update the resources available for tribal members

Please do not hesitate to reach out with questions, comments, or concerns at 918-968-3526 ext. 1004 or justinwood@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov. I am here to serve and I look forward to hearing from you. Grace to you and peace be multiplied.

SAC AND FOX TAX COMMISSION REVENUE

February 2020

Beer and Liquor	\$229.09
State Tobacco Rebate	\$258,026.70
Motor Vehicle	\$8,431.85
Sales Tax	\$15,313.03
Treasury	\$285.00
Oil and Gas	
Gaming	\$94,849.62
TOTAL\$377,135.29	, ,



Sac and Fox Nation COVID-19 Relief

The Sac and Fox Nation remains committed to responding to the pandemic and providing critical assistance to tribal members.

Economic Support Program

- -Assistance available for all tribal members.
- -Adults: two disbursements of \$1,000.00.
- -Minors: two disbursements of \$250.00.
- -Must submit application.

Human Services Relief Program

-Assistance available for tribal members who meet the income guidelines and have experienced a loss of income.

-Must submit application.

Business Relief Program

- -Grants available for businesses solely or majority-owned by a Sac and Fox tribal member.
- -Business must be able to document business interruptions as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- -Must submit application.

Education Assistance Program -Distance learning assistance available f

-Distance learning assistance available for tribal members enrolled in Pre-K - college. -Pre-K- 11th grade may apply for Chromebooks. 12th grade - college may apply for laptops.

-Must submit application.

Agricultural Relief Program

- -Assistance available for all Native farmers & ranchers in the Sac and Fox Nation's jurisdiction whose ag operation has been adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- -Must submit application.

(55+) in May 2020.

Relief Program for Elders
-Assistance (\$150) was
distributed to all tribal elders

The Sac and Fox Nation received \$25,106,988.18 of CARES Act funding from the U.S. Treasury. All relief programs are funded from CARES Act funds, with the exception of the Agricultural Relief Program, which is funded by a grant from the Native American Agricultural Fund.

In addition to the relief programs, CARES funds will be used to ensure the safe continuity of government operations, including: technological improvements, public health & safety measures in facilitates and purchasing personal protective equipment.

Programs and applications have been designed to comply with the requirements set by the U.S. Treasury. More information on the requirements can be found here: home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/cares/state-and-local-governments

NEED ASSISTANCE?

A temporary COVID-19 Relief Department has been established to assist tribal members during the COVID-19 public health emergency. Please call or email if you have questions or need assistance: (918)-968-3526 ext.1819 or coviddept@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Program guidelines and applications are available on the website:

sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov/

Sac and Fox Nation Education Department News

Hello!!

Hope everyone is doing well during these uncertain times. The area public schools have been in session now since Some schools have started out with in-person and now have gone to virtual (distancing) learning, due to the outbreak of COVID-19. There are some schools that are going strong with in-person learning. Schools are requiring students to wear face masks on the bus and when entering the facility and in the classrooms. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and World Health Organization (WHO) recommend wearing a cloth face mask.

The Sac and Fox Nation Education Department would like for you to consider some tips if your child's school requires a cloth mask:

- Wearing cloth face masks should be a priority as it is difficult to maintain social distance, such as on the bus, at carpool drop-off or pickup, and when entering the building.
- Have multiple cloth face masks available for your child. Provide your child with a clean mask and back-up mask each day and a clean resealable bag for them to store the mask when they cannot wear it, such as at lunch.
- Label your child's mask clearly so it's not confused with another child's.
- Practice properly putting on and taking off cloth face masks with your child while avoiding touching the cloth por-
- Remind your child that they should clean their hands before and after touching their mask.
- Instruct your child to never share or trade masks with others.
- Talk to your child about the importance of wearing a face mask and model wearing them as a family.

If your child could use extra cloth face masks, please call the Sac and Fox Education Department for additional masks. The masks were donated by the Absentee Shawnee Health Clinic to the Sac and Fox Education Department. Call 1-918 968-3526, Ext: 2046

I would like to give an update on the COVID-19 technology equipment that the Education Department is conducting. We have ordered lap tops for the senior High School students and college students. I anticipated that we would be overwhelmed by inquires, but we have

taken care of all the completed applications that we received and now we have issued lap tops to all high school students in grades 9th, 10th, and 11th, grades. We will continue to issue lap tops out as applications are received for high school and college students. Please submit complete documents by filling out the lap top application, sign the waiver and attach a copy of the CDIB card (enrollment card that shows membership).

THE CHROME BOOKS FOR PRE-K THROUGH 8TH GRADE STUDENTS HAVE NOT BEEN DELIVERED YET. THE PROJECTION DATE IS SOME-TIME IN OCTOBER.

There has been a high demand for Chromebooks nationwide and it will take a little while for delivery. We ask that everyone be patient and as soon as they arrive we will be calling you to set an appointment for you to pick up the Chromebook. We will start with the earliest date and work up to the present date.

We currently have 255 completed Chromebook applications, not including 4 pending for additional documents, as of September 10, 2020.

PLEASE SUBMIT CHROMEBOOK AND LAP TOP APPLICATIONS WITH WAIVER AND COPY OF CDIB CARD AND HAVE THE SCHOOL SIGN AP-PLICATION FORM OF ENROLL-MENT. WE WILL NOT ACCEPT EMAIL, SCAN, OR FAX COPY OF APPLICATION FOR CHROMEBOOK OR LAP TOP MUST BE THE ORIG-INAL FORM. MAKE SURE YOU SIGN YOUR SIGNATURE ON ALL DOCUMENTS AS THIS MAY DELAY YOUR SERVICE. WE WILL NOT BE CALLING YOU FROM THIS POINT ON FOR MISSING DOCUMENTS OR FOR YOUR SIGNATURE.

There is one issue that we would like to bring up and that is the clothing receipts that are required by you to turn in for your child/children's clothing. As approved by the Business Committee 8/24/2016, all receipts are due by April 1st of the applicable school year. We will be enforcing that rule coming this next year of 2021.

NO RECEIPTS WILL BE ACCEPT-ED AFTER APRIL 1ST 2021. PLEASE, WHEN TURNING IN YOUR RE-CEIPTS, PUT YOUR NAME AND THE CHILD/CHILDREN NAME ON RE-CEIPTS. There were many receipts that

were sent without a name or of any kind of identification of who the receipts be-

We have had 55 Higher Education students that have come through the Education office to seek funding for the 2020 Fall semester. We are currently out of funding until new budgets are approved for fiscal year 2020-2021. There are 28 college students waiting on the new budgets to be approved. As soon as we receive new budget funding in RAP and approval for DOI (Department of Interior) funding, we will fund the remainder of the college applications that are complete. RAP funding will have to be approved by the Sac and Fox Council. We hope that with both budgets, that action will take place SOON!

Our college students are waiting patiently. Some are probably thinking how we determine which 27 students get granted funding and why not the other 28 that are waiting. We work the applications as we receive them, from the earliest date and so forth. If all documents are not completed or missing in the packet, then we call about the incomplete and missing documents. From that point, it is up to the student to make sure we receive the documents so we can process. The longer the student delays in supplying documents, the longer their application

For new students (usually the seniors that just graduated out of high school) that go through the education department, we will need the following documents:

- REVENUE ALLOCATION PLAN (RAP) APPLICATION
- COMPETED RAP APPLICATION
- SIGNED PRIVACY STATEMENT
- CERTIFICATE OR INDIAN BLOOD (CDIB) PROOF OF SAC AND FOX TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP
- ADMISSION LETTER FROM THE **COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY**
- PERSONAL LETTER STATING THE COLLEGE MAJOR YOU PLAN TO PURSUE AND YOUR CAREER
 - COPY OF SEMESTER CLASS

SCHEDULE

by Edwina Butler-Wolfe

- COPY OF OFFICIAL COLLEGE AND/OR HIGH SCHOOL TRAN-
- COMPLETE "VERIFICATION OF
- ACADEMIC ENROLLMENT FORM" RELEASE OF INFORMATION
- W-9 FORM

ALL FORMS REQUESTED ARE IN THE RAP PACKET EXCEPT: CLASS SCHEDULE, OFFICIAL SCRIPTS, CDIB, ADMISSION LET-TER, PERSONAL LETTER FOR NEW

Once the new student writes their personal letter, they will not have to write another each semester. The W-9 form is done once a year. When a new year comes a new W-9 needs to be submitted. Each semester, fall and spring, every student will have to repeat the same documents for funding. For spring 2021 semester, the DEADLINE IS NOVEM-BER 30, 2020.

Applying for the Sac and Fox Nation Higher Education Department of Interior students will basically be looking at the same as RAP documents. The only difference will be the financial needs analysis form which the college financial aid office will need to fill out. If a college student is a continuing student, we will need the official college transcript from the previous semester. This applies to the RAP Program as well.

The Education Department is hoping that we can hold a workshop in January or February of 2021 for students to help them start their paperwork for college.

I will be out of the office September 21st through 28th returning on the 29th due to an ear surgery. If I miss your call or do not return your call, I apologize and will get back to you as soon and I am able to. We hope everyone is continuing being safe! If anyone has any concerns of the Education Department, please give us

> Thank you, Edwina Butler-Wolfe, Director Sac and Fox Nation **Education Department** 918 968-3526, Ext: 2046 405 328-0402 cell number



The Family of Larry Grass

We deeply appreciate your

thoughtfulness

and thank you most sincerely.

CALLING ALL SAUK AND FOX ARTISTS!

We are looking for Sauk and Fox artwork to hang in the new 'Soon to Open' Senior Citizens, Veterans Office and Transportation Building reception area, Stroud, Okla.

This will be on a consignment/loan basis as there are no funds to purchase at this time.

> For information, please call Dottie Tiger, 918/290-1754.



Happy Birthday!! Alyssa Ann Williamson

Happy 7th Birthday Wapanokweha! Wishing you the very best and asking The Creator to continue blessing you with love and life for many years to come. Cherish these youthful years and never forget how much we love you! Love, Dada, Mesho, Stevie, Gma and all the rest of the family!

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT NOTICE

Applications for College - Vocational and Adult Education are on the Sac and Fox Nation Web site -Click on Education for downloads.



Kids and Grandkids Are G-R-E-A-T!!



We want to feature the scholastic, academic and athletic awards or achievements of your child or grandchild of the Sac and Fox Nation! Send all pertinent information, such as name of student, town, school and grade attending, explanation of award or achievement, and names of parents and/or grandparents, along with a current photo of the student to:

> newspaper@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov or: Sac and Fox News, 920963 S. Hwy. 99 **Stroud, OK 74079**

Application Deadline is Nov. 1, 2020 for COVID-19 Economic Support Program

TRIBAL MEMBERS CAN NOW SUBMIT APPLICATION FOR COVID-19 ECONOMIC SUPPORT. The application is now available on the website. To receive the economic support payment, tribal members must submit the application.

In May 2020, upon receipt of CARES Act funding from the U.S. Treasury, the Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee approved the COVID-19 Economic Support Program. Under the program, all enrolled members of the Sac and Fox Nation age 18 or older are eligible to receive two payments of \$1,000.00. Members under the age of 18 are eligible to receive two payments of \$250.00. The first distribution occurred in early June. The second distribution was scheduled for September, but the Business Committee has announced that distributions will begin immediately.

To receive the economic support payment, you must complete and submit the application. Checks will be distributed once the application is received, beginning immediately. No checks will be sent without a completed application on file. All applications must be submitted by November 1, 2020.

On June 24, 2020, the U.S. Treasury updated its guidance documents on use of CARES funds. The guidance was updated to state that economic support payments must be based on an assessment of individual need. The official guidance is periodically updated and we are closely tracking it to ensure compliance.

The application is also available online at: http://sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov/departments/ covid-relief/

Why the 'nsn.gov' **Designation?**

From time to time, a question has been asked as to why the Sac and Fox Nation uses such a special exclusive (and longer) native sovereign nation dot gov Internet designation and name:

The "nsn dot gov" (nsn.gov) designation carries with it more significant levels of legitimacy, trust, and authority than a commercial, "dot com" domain name.

"NSN DOT GOV" confirms that it is an official government website that has been certified, verified, and recognized by the United States Government.

Of course, commercial sub-entities and public political subdivisions of tribal government may also use a commercial dot com designation for commercial-oriented purposes.

Truman Carter



COVID-19 Economic Support Program Application

In May 2020, upon receipt of Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding from the U.S. Treasury, the Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee (BC) approved the COVID-19 Economic Support Program, based on the BC's assessment that all tribal members have faced unforeseen financial hardships due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Under the program, all enrolled members of the Sac and Fox Nation age 18 or older are eligible to receive two payments of \$1,000.00: a \$1,000.00 payment distributed in early June 2020 and a \$1,000.00 payment to be distributed in September 2020. Enrolled members under the age of 18 are eligible to receive two payments of \$250.00: a \$250.00 payment distributed in June 2020 and a \$250.00 payment to be distributed in September 2020. On June 24, 2020, the U.S. Treasury updated its guidance documents on use of CARES funds. The guidance was updated to state that economic support payments must be based on an assessment of individual need. The official guidance is routinely updated and we are closely tracking it to ensure compliance. To receive the economic support payment, you must complete and submit this application. Upon receipt of the completed application, checks will be distributed on a rolling basis in September (based upon when applications are received). No checks will be sent without a completed application on file. All applications must be submitted by November 1, 2020.

TRIBAL MEMBER INFORMATION Mailing Address: Phone Number: Email: Enrollment Number: Date of Birth: Sac and Fox Minors. Please list all Sac and Fox Minors that you are the parent/legal guardian of (attach a separate sheet if more space is needed): Name of Minor Date of Birth **Enrollment Number**

		ND EXPENSES. Please check <u>ALL</u> mpacts you have experienced due to the
	ID-19 public health emergency	
	Loss of income	Medical/health expenses
	Increased grocery expenses	Increased childcare expenses
	Transportation expenses	Quarantine expenses
	Cleaning and sanitation expenses	☐ Housing expenses
	PPE expenses	Utility expenses
_	Telework expenses	Distance learning expenses
	Other- please list all other expenses health emergency (attach a separate s	and hardships resulting from the COVID-19 public neet if more space is needed):

CERTIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

By signing below, you make the following representations, authorizations, and certifications:

- I certify that I have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- I certify that I have incurred expenses related to the disruption of daily life due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- I certify that the funds will be used for COVID-19 related eligible expenses that have not been reimbursed by another federal, state, or tribal assistance program.
- I understand that I am subject to prosecution to the fullest extent of the laws of the Sac and Fox Nation if I knowingly, willfully and fraudulently provide false information for the purpose of obtaining benefits which I am otherwise ineligible to receive.

For Minors:

I certify that I am the parent/legal guardian of the minors listed in this application.

Signature of Applicant Date

PLEASE SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 1, 2020 TO:

Sac and Fox Nation Attention: Finance Department 920963 S. Highway 99 Stroud, OK 74079 covidrelief@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

FOR OFFICAL USE ONLY.
Date Received:
Approved by:
Date:

SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT PHILOSOPHY

Indians are born speaking our languages. For some of us, they lie dormant within our bodies. They are looking for a way out. God gave us these beautiful languages. All of us hold them in a sacred manner within. There is no such thing as an Indian person who cannot speak Indian.

Our language programs find these languages within our bodies. They bring them out through our mouths and deliver them to their rightful resting places within our hearts.

October Scramble

ehwkwsâaitka	
ikhawêtâiwk	
thwawaoattianahs	
kâtweakwahti	
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tawkthaaôwô	
atakhtwaê	
hsitmaanehwa	
tainwak	

October 2020 Word Match

Takwatêha Continues hunting

Takwâkiwi Is trapping

Takwâkêhiwi Stays warming oneself by the fire

Takwâkethiwa Has a fire going

Takwani Goes on a fall hunt

Takwâkeshiwa Frost

Tahitanawasowa It's autumn

Taneshawêwa It's early autumn

Takwahôtôwa Goes on a fall hunt

Taneshihamwa October

SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT HAPPENINGS & NEWS

October 2020 Takwatêha (Frost Moon)

From the Sauk Language Department.

The new Sauk I and Sauk II online courses are now available for high school students who want to learn Sauk. If you are interested in taking these courses, please contact the Sauk Language Department to learn more.

The Sauk Language Department also has three free downloadable, standalone language apps for both Android and iPhones. Go to Google Play Store or iTunes to get yours today, and start learning Sauk. When you talk Sauk, you rock.

Join us online or visit our website for Sauk words and to play games at

www.talksauk.com!



Suggestions and comments from tribal members are always welcome on programs you have attended, or would like to see scheduled.

Call 918-968-3526 or 800-259-3970, or email at:

Katie.Thompson@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov



October 2020 Quotes

The Holy Land is everywhere.

Black Elk

No Statue of Liberty ever greeted our arrival in this country . . . we did not come to the United States at all. The United States came to us.

Luis Valdez

There is but one secret to success; never give up.

Ben Nighthorse Campbell

October 2020 Comic







RAP Application Forms Provided Here



SAC AND FOX NATION RAP ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

PH: 918-968-3526 EXT: 2000 & 2001 RAP Application Form#2011-01

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NAMEADDRESS		th area code)
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
D.O.B	SOCIAL SECURITY # (Last 4 digits)	SFN ROLL #
Sac and Fox Nation	tribal membership will be verified by the Sac and Fox Nation B	RAP Department
Please List Statement of	Need:	

Please Provide the Following:

The bill you are requesting assistance with & proof of residence if the bill is not in your name.

CLIENT'S STATEMENT OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

I hereby authorize the Sac and Fox Nation RAP Department to make any necessary inquiries relating to my account's which the RAP Department may be considering making payment on my behalf. I understand that I have the right to a hearing of any action of the Sac and Fox Nation, which I consider improper, and also any unreasonable delay in decision. (Request for fair hearings may be made in writing to the Business Committee of the Sac and Fox Nation, 920883 S. Hwy. 99 Bldg. A, Stroud, OK 74079) I derstand that any person who knowingly, willfully and fraudulently provides false information for the purpose of obtaining benefits which he/she is otherwise ineligible to receive, may be subject to prosecution to the fullest extent to the appropriate Tribal statutes.

DATE	SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT OR GUARDIAN	GUARDIAN FO
	PERSON ASSISTING WITH APPLICATION	RELATIONSHIP

DATE	RAP SPECIALIST	

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SAC AND FOX NATION RAP ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

PH: 918-968-3526 EXT: 2000 & 2001 RAP Application Form#2011-01

TO APPLICANT

ELDERS/HANDICAPPED LAWN PROGRAM

NAME PHONE # (with area code) ADDRESS STATE ZIP CODE SOCIAL SECURITY # (Last 4 digits)_ SFN ROLL # Sac and Fox Nation tribal membership will be verified by the Sac and Fox Nation RAP Departmen

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT OR GUARDIAN DATE

Please List Statement of Need: FISCAL YEAR _____

GUARDIAN FOR

LAWN MOWING SEASON

PERSON ASSISTING WITH APPLICATION

RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT

DATE RAP SPECIALIST



CALL TODAY!!! 1-800-256-3398

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The Sac and Fox Nation **Activity Committee**

would like to celebrate and introduce our 2020-2021 SFN Royalty and Senior Man & Senior Woman on October 12, 2020 @ 2 p.m. under the pavilion @ Jim Thorpe Memorial Park powwow grounds.

October 2020 Word Search

J S D Q R M M S M UD H H IBNCDGHKHYQJRMDM TANESHAWÊWAOF TASHITANAWATHOWAKQ DWNTAWIHTEKÂWKAT A S B P A K U M N K Q R W W V O A T AWNPTRKKQEAHGIRUB IÖECAYWWOSYHOMWQXM A H T S X K U Â C Z S N S L M O RKOFÔHPWHKEHSILKQ UWPIHIPÂKÊ CSKRW KFAAHAHÂKHHQSE TWBTYCWAAIYIR N C A L Ê K J K M K W A W A K R EPNAHVMAWUIQ YTIDAPXTANWU K D N F W

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MONTHLY TOBACCO CESSATION SUPPORT GROUP

- Held the 1st Wednesday of every month
- 12-1 pm
- Learning Center Conference Room

Group sessions will be open to members of the Sac and Fox Community, tribal employees, and TIP Group Members.

Sessions will cover multiple areas of tobacco cessation including creating a quit plan, healthy behaviors, the truth about tobacco, changing behaviors, coping with cravings, and maintaining change.

Sessions will also include peer interaction and recovery support.

For more information, Please contact DeAnna in Behavioral Health.

YOU CAN STOP SMOKING NOW



FNS HANDBOOK 501 EXHIBIT M

FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR) FY 2021 NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS (Effective October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021)

The net monthly income standard for each household size is the sum of the applicable Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) net monthly income standard and the applicable SNAP

48 Contiguous United States:

Use this Amount

Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard		SNAP Standard Deduction		FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,064	+	\$167	=	\$1,231
2	\$1,437	+	\$167	=	\$1,604
3	\$1,810	+	\$167	=	\$1,977
4	\$2,184	+	\$181	=	\$2,365
5	\$2,557	+	\$212	=	\$2,769
6	\$2,930	+	\$243	=	\$3,173
7	\$3,304	+	\$243	=	\$3,547
8	\$3,677	+	\$243	- 1	\$3,920
ach additions	l member				\$374

Alaska:

Use this Amount

Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard		SNAP Standard Deduction		FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,330	+	\$286	=	\$1,616
2	\$1,796	+	\$286	=	\$2,082
3	\$2,263	+	\$286	-	\$2,549
4	\$2,730	+	\$286	=	\$3,016
5	\$3,196	+	\$286	=	\$3,482
6	\$3,663	+	\$304	=	\$3,967
7	\$4,130	+	\$304	=	\$4,434
8	\$4,596	+	\$304	=	\$4,900
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FNS HANDBOOK 501 EXHIBIT M

FY 2021 FDPIR Income Deductions (see 7 CFR 253.6(e)) Effective October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021

Earned Income Deduction	Households with earned income are allowed a deduction of 20
Earned Income Deduction	percent of their earned income.
Dependent Care Deduction	Households that qualify for the dependent care deduction are
•	allowed a deduction of actual dependent care costs paid monthly to a non-household member.
Child Support Deduction	Households that incur the cost of legally required child support to or for a non-household member are allowed a deduction for the amount of monthly child support paid.
Medical Expense	Households that incur monthly medical expenses by any household
Deduction	member who is elderly or disabled are allowed a deduction in the
	amount of out-of-pocket medical expenses paid in excess of \$35
	per month. Allowable medical expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(3).
Home Care Meal-Related	Households who furnish the majority of meals for a home care
Deduction	attendant are allowed an income deduction equal to the maximum SNAP benefit for a one-person household. The home care meal-related deduction amounts are as follows:
	48 Contiguous U.S. States = \$204
	Alaska by Area Designations
	• Urban = \$251
	• Rural 1 = \$320
	• Rural 2 = \$390
	See 7 CFR 272.7(b) for area designations in Alaska.
Standard Shelter/Utility	Households that incur at least one monthly shelter or utility
Expense Deduction	expense are allowed a standard income deduction (see chart
	below). Allowable shelter/utility expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(6)(ii).

FNS HANDBOOK 501 EXHIBIT M

FY 2021 FDPIR Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deductions Effective October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021

Baseline by Region*		
Region	States Currently with FDPIR Programs	Shelter/Utility Deduction
Northeast/Midwest	Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Wisconsin	\$450
Southeast/Southwest	Arizona, Mississippi, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah	\$350
Mountain Plains	Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming	\$450
West	Alaska, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington	\$400

*If the geographic boundaries of an Indian reservation extend to more than one region per the identified regional groupings above, then a qualifying household has the option to receive the appropriate shelter/utility expense deduction amount for the State in which the household resides or the State in which the State agency's central administrative office is located.

Foster and Adoptive Homes Needed You can make a Difference. Contact the Indian Child Welfare department to learn how you can make a For more information, please contact: Karen Hamilton or Nethia Wallace **Shawnee Multi-Purpose Building** 405-275-1262

Native American Genealogy and Research Program Set For Oct. 20

Oklahoma (OGS) will present a special program, "Native American Genealogy & Research" with Native Oklahoman, Rick Fogarty. His program is set for Tues., October 20, 2020 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. CST, by Webinar.

"In past years at the Oklahoma State Fair OGS booth, the majority of inquiries we receive are concerning Native American ancestry. We want to reach out to our Native American Agencies, as well as schools, social organizations, genealogical and historical societies, etc.; for you to have the opportunity to disseminate this information to any who may be interested in the Webinar," said an OGS spokesperson.

Fogarty is a professional genealogist and lecturer in Hazlet, N.J; a third-generation genealogist with deep Oklahoma roots and a citizen of the Muscogee programs and charitable contributions," Creek Nation. He specializes in Native the spokesperson added.

Genealogical Society American tribal, adoption, and DNA/forensic genealogical research.

He has attended the Boston University forensic genealogy course, the Forensic Genealogy Institute genetic genealogy course, Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy, and the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research. He is a life member of the Association of Professional Genealogists; and instructor on Native American tribal genealogy for several institutes while lecturing frequently on many genealogical topics.

Registration for this program will be through the website www.okgensoc.org, for a nominal charge of \$20. "We are limited to one-hundred Webinar links for maximum attendance of this event. OGS is an Educational Organization supported by our membership fees, educational

October 2020

SAC AND FOX NATION **FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM**

STROUD WAREHOUSE 918-968-3030 • 1-800-256-3398

SHAWNEE OFFICE

405-395-0063 • 1-886-622-2310

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
			1 ELDERS ONLY	2 ELDERS ONLY
5 <u>LATE NIGHT</u> SHAWNEE 12 pm - 6 pm	6 ELDERS ONLY	7 SHIPMENT	8	SHAWNEE HD
12	13	STROUD HD	15	SHAWNEE HD
SHAWNEE LN 12 pm- 6 pm	20	21 SHIPMENT	22	SHAWNEE HD
STROUD LN 8 am - 6pm	27	28 STROUD HD	CLOSED FOR INVENTORY	CLOSED FOR INVENTORY

ALL FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY! THANK YOU!!

HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY CERTIFICATION

STORE PM INVENTORY

8:00 am - 4:30 pm STORE 8:30 am - 2:30 pm STORE AM INVENTORY 8:00 am - 8:30 am

HOME DELIVERIES ARE FOR HOMEBOUND AND/OR DISABLED ELDERS. CALL OUR STROUD OFFICE TO SEE IF YOU QUALIFY.

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Business Committee Meeting Minutes

2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

are now accessible on the Website and Facebook sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

Announcement

From the Sac and Fox Nation RAP department:

Applicants that are living within the Sac and Fox Nation jurisdiction and **HAVE NOT** received assistance from the following **RAP** health programs:

- Dental
- Vision
- Dentures
- Hearing Aids

Please contact our Black Hawk Health Center @ (918) 968-9531 to setup a referral appointment to receive assistance through our contract health program.

Sac and Fox Nation RAP Department Questions and Answers

Q: WHAT IS THE RAP DEPART- ARE APPROVED. MENT'S FISCAL YEAR?

A: OCTOBER 1ST THROUGH SEP-TEMBER 30TH.

Q: IS RAP ASSISTANCE FOR TRIB-AL MEMBERS LIVING OUTSIDE SAC AND FOX NATION JURISDIC-

A: YES, RAP ASSISTANCE PRO-GRAMS ARE FOR ALL QUALIFIED TRIBAL MEMBERS, REGARDLESS OF RESIDENCY.

Q: I DID NOT RECEIVE ASSIS-TANCE (ON WAITING LIST AND/ OR NOT YET ELIGIBLE) THIS PAST FISCAL YEAR, CAN MY SAME AP-PLICATION BE USED FOR THE UP-COMING NEW FISCAL YEAR?

A: NO. FOR AUDIT PURPOSES, AN APPLICATION FOR THE NEW FIS-CAL YEAR MUST BE SUBMITTED.

Q: WHEN DO YOU ACCEPT AP-PLICATIONS FOR THE NEW FISCAL YEAR?

A: AFTER THE ANNUAL SPECIAL GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING. WHEN THE RAP DEPARTMENT AND

Q: I PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED MY W-9 TO ANOTHER DEPART-MENT. WHY DO I HAVE TO FILL OUT ANOTHER W-9 TO PROCESS MY HARDSHIP ASSISTANCE APPLI-CATION?

A: TO MAKE SURE YOUR AD-DRESS IS CURRENT (GOES TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS) FOR OUR RE-CORDS WITH THE FINANCE DE-PARTMENT.

Q: CAN I SEND MY APPLICA-TION(S) VIA EMAIL OR FAX? WHAT IS THE MAILING ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER AND CURRENT HOURS OF OPERATION?

A: YES. EMAIL: sfnrap@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

FAX: (918) 968-4207

ADDRESS: 920963 S. HWY 99, STROUD, OK 74079

PHONE: (918) 968-3526 EXT. 2001 HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY FROM 8:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Q: WHAT TYPE OF PROGRAMS DOES THE RAP DEPARTMENT OF-

• HARDSHIP – ASSISTANCE UP TO THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30TH.

 TRIBAL ENERGY – ASSIS-TANCE UP TO \$200.00 WITH YOUR CURRENT ELECTRIC OR GAS OR FIREWOOD OR PROPANE BILL(S) DURING THE HEATING SEASON (OCTOBER 1ST THROUGH MARCH 30TH) AND ASSISTANCE UP TO \$200.00 WITH YOUR CURRENT ELECTRIC BILL(S) DURING THE COOLING SEASON (APRIL 1ST

THROUGH SEPT 30TH). • EMERGENCY APPLIANCE – AS-SISTANCE UP TO \$500.00

• ORTHODONTICS – LIFETIME LIMIT ASSISTANCE UP TO \$4,000.00 • VISION – ASSISTANCE UP TO

\$300.00 • DENTAL – ASSISTANCE UP TO

\$400.00 • DENTURES – ASSISTANCE UP

TO \$1,000.00 • HEARING AIDS – ASSISTANCE UP TO \$1,000.00

 TRIBAL EMERGENCY HOME REPAIR (TEHR) – LIFETIME LIMIT ASSISTANCE UP TO \$5,000.00

• ELDERS/HANDICAPPED LAWN

(PLEASE SEE RAP GUIDELINES FOR ELIGIBILITY REOUIREMENTS. NOTE: ADDITIONAL DOCUMEN-TATION MAY BE REQUIRED.)

Q: DO I NEED TO UTILIZE THE BLACK HAWK CLINIC-CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES (DENTAL, VI-SION, DENTURES AND HEARING AID) BEFORE REQUESTING RAP HEALTH ASSISTANCE?

A: YES. IN REFERENCE TO THE RAP HEALTH GUIDELINES, TRIB-AL MEMBERS MUST EXHAUST ANY OTHER TRIBAL OR INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES RESOURCES. PROOF OF DENIAL MUST BE PRO-VIDED.

Q: DO I NEED TO UTILIZE THE HUMAN SERVICES/SOCIAL SER-VICES DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS (LIHEAP AND LIHEAP-CRISIS) BE-FORE REQUESTING RAP TRIBAL ENERGY ASSISTANCE?

A: YES. TRIBAL ENERGY CAN ONLY BE USED IF INDIVIDUALS ARE NOT QUALIFIED FOR LIHEAP ASSISTANCE. PROOF OF DENIAL



NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

COME OUT AND DRIVE THRU OUR SPOOKY CAMPGROUNDS, IF YOU DARE!

SOCIAL DISTANCING FROM OTHER CAMPERS & USE OF FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED

GOODIE BAGS

CONTACT: (405) 765-4380 EMAIL: horsecln@yahoo.com

2020 PER CAPITA PAYMENT INFORMATION

- Individual must be enrolled by September 30, 2020 to be eligible for the 2020 per capita payment.
- Tribal members will need to submit a W9 to the Finance Department for the upcoming 2020 Per Capita Payment.
- Once a W-9 form is received, it will be updated into our system and all payments due will be made at a time of disbursement.
- If an individual is a NEW tribal member, or has had a NAME CHANGE, a copy of Social Security card is needed for our records.
- There is NO deadline on submitting a W9. All checks will be mailed, no exceptions.
- The IRS 1099 form will be mailed by January 31, 2021. NEW MINORS . . . PLEASE SEND COPY OF SOCIAL SECURITY CARD SO WE CAN GET TRUST ACCOUNTS ESTABLISHED

W-9 Form

It is critical that the W-9 Form be completed correctly and thoroughly for each individual tribal member. Be sure to fill out your NAME, MAIL-ING ADDRESS, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, and then SIGN and DATE your form.

Required Legal Documents

If you have had a name change due to marriage, divorce, adoption, etc., it is important the Finance Department has a copy of your social security card. All othere legal documents should be sent to the Enrollment Department so their records can be updated. Any guardianship or Power of Attorney documents need to be on file with the Finance Department.

Minors

Parents or guardians are responsible for providing a W-9 for minor children; not doing so could result in the minor's payment not being deposited into the minor's trust fund account in a timely manner.

<u>Contact information - Finance Department</u>

For identity/security purposes, a W-9 form will not be accepted by e-mail. Completed forms may be hand delivered, mailed, or faxed.

Contact information:

Sac and Fox Nation **Finance Department** 920963 S. Hwy 99, Bldg. A Stroud, Oklahoma 74079

Direct fax: 918-968-4528

If you have any questions, please contact the Finance Department staff by phone at 918-968-3526 or 800-259-3970 ext. 1033, 1038 or 1027.

Tax Liability Notification

What are the withholding requirements for distributions that are made per a Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP)? The first step is to identify the source of funds used for the distribution. Unless the source of funds is specifically exempt from taxation, the amounts that make up the distributions to tribal members are taxable.

Which funds get reported on Form 1099-Misc? Distributions could be derived from many sources, including the profits from a tribal business other than a Class II or Class III gaming operation, interest income on investments, or rental payments from tribal lands. All these payments require a tribe to prepare a Form 1099-MISC

When does a person receive a Form 1099-Misc, Statement for Recipients of Miscellaneous Income? If a person receives \$600 or more in 1 calendar year from the same source, that amount must be reported on a Form 1099, and that Form 1099-Misc. must be provided to the individual.

It is only the amount distributed from NET GAMING REVENUE that is subject to withholding. The Internal Revenue Code provides that "Every person, including an Indian tribe, making a payment to a member of an Indian tribe from the net revenues of any Class II or Class III gaming activity conducted or licensed by such tribe, shall deduct and withhold from such payment a tax in an amount equal to such payment's proportionate share of the annualized tax." The amount to withhold is provided in Withholding Tables found in IRS Publication 15-A, Employer's Supplemental Tax Guide.

If the Indian tribe anticipates making a distribution of any kind, the Indian tribe needs the tribal members' Social Security number before the distribution is made. If an Indian tribe does not know a tribal member's Social Security number at the time of distribution, the distribution is subject to "backup withholding" (at 28% in 2009). (Source: Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Indian Tribal Governments Frequently Asked Questions, Last Reviewed or Updated: April 22, 2013)

Per capita payments could affect any Tribal, Federal, State, and/or Local benefits you may receive or programs in which you participate. The Sac and Fox Nation encourage you to check with your tax accountant or benefit specialist.



NAME CHANGE AND/OR CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

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PRIN	T CURRENT FULL	NAME (First, Mid	dle & Last)	RO	LL NUMBER
SIGN	ATURE				DATE
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	OLD			NEW	
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CITY	STATE	ZIP	CITY	STATE	ZIP
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NOTICE

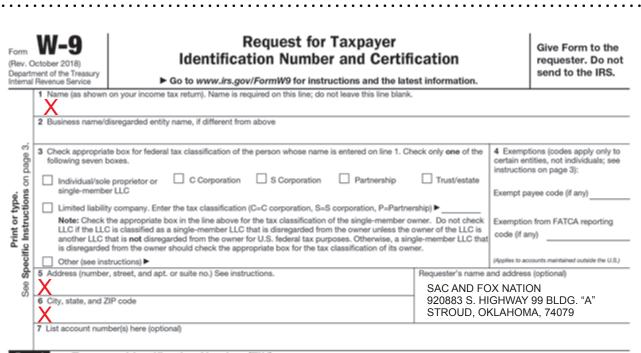
Why does a W-9 needed to be submitted yearly?

If a tribal member receives income that is taxable, a 1099 must be issued for Tax Purposes. The W-9 also serves as a yearly address update.

Can the allotted minor payment be refused in order to have the entire per capita payment be deposited in trust? Yes, but in order to do so we must still receive a W-9 for the same reasons stated above. We would also need a written statement to that effect to be included with the W-9.

W-9 FORM MUST BE CUT ON DOTTED LINE BEFORE MAILING 👃





Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid

backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see How to get a

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see What Name and Number To Give the Requester for guidelines on whose number to enter.

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Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and 2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue
- Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and 3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- 4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payr acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrange other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

· Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

. Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual

• Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)

. Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)

- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions) . Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest),
- . Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- . Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property) Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding,

Form W-9 (Rev. 10-2018) Cat. No. 10231X

Application Deadline is Nov. 1, 2020 for Human Services Relief Program

In response to the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Business Committee established the COVID-19 Human Service Relief Program to provide relief to eligible tribal members. Eligible tribal members may apply to receive assistance with expenses related to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Eligible tribal members may qualify for assistance up to \$5,000.00 (per eligible tribal member). This assistance may be used for eligible expenses related to the COVID-19 public health emergency, such as: rent, mortgage payments, electric, water, propane, day care, car payments, car insurance, COBRA health premiums, and other emergency needs related to COVID-19.

All applications and required documentation must be received by November 1, 2020. Upon approval of your application and review of the submitted documentation, a check will be mailed to you. Direct deposit is not available and in-person pickup is not available. Funding is on a first come, first serve basis. Applications will be reviewed and approved until program funds are depleted. Eligibility:

To qualify for this program, you must:

- Be an enrolled member of the Sac and Fox Nation
- Age 18 or older (at time of application submission)
- Earn 400% or less of the National Poverty Guideline standards (please see https://aspe.hhs.gov/pover-ty-guidelines and attached spreadsheet) and have experienced a reduction in income due to hours due to the COVID-19 public health emergency (such as a loss of hours worked, decrease in rate of pay, furloughed)
- Submit a completed application and a Form W-9 to the Sac and Fox Nation by November 1, 2020.
- Submit documentation of household income with your completed application (such as pay stubs for each adult member in the household, monetary determination for unemployment benefits, or benefits notice from a federally funded program)
- Submit documentation that you have experienced a reduction in income due to the COVID-19 public health emergency (such as proof from your employer, furlough/termination notice, etc.)
- Submit documentation of the eligible expense you are requesting assistance for (such as bills or invoices to document the eligible expense).

Questions and Application Assis-

The Business Committee has established a COVID Relief Department to assist tribal members. The COVID Relief Department will be staffed with tribal relations specialists available to assist tribal members and answer questions.

If you have questions about this program or need assistance, please contact the COVID Relief Department: (918)-968-3526 or coviddept@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov.

Applications are available online at www.sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov. Or you may contact the COVID Relief Department to have an application mailed to you. Applications may be submitted in the following ways:

Sac and Fox Nation
Attention: COVID Relief I

Attention: COVID Relief Department 920963 S. Hwy 99 Stroud, OK 74079

coviddept@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov



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COVID-19 Human Services Relief Program Application

TRIBAL MEMBER INFORMATION

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CERTIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

hours due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

AMOUNT BEING REQUESTED:

By signing below, you make the following representations, authorizations, and certifications:

- I meet the program income guidelines (earn 400% or less of the National Poverty Guideline standards).
 I certify that the funds will be used for COVID-19 related eligible expenses that have not been reimbursed
- I certify that the funds will be used for COVID-19 related eligible expenses that have not been reimbursed by another federal, state, or tribal assistance program.
 I certify that I have experienced a reduction in income as a result of change in employment status or work
- I certify that I have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- I certify that the expenses I am applying for have not been covered or reimbursed by other assistance programs (state, tribal, or federal assistance programs).
- I understand that I am subject to prosecution to the fullest extent of the laws of the Sac and Fox Nation if I
 knowingly, willfully and fraudulently provide false information for the purpose of obtaining benefits which
 I am otherwise ineligible to receive.

Signature of Applicant	Date

YOU MUST ATTACH DOCUMENTATION TO VERIFY THE FOLLOWING:

- Household income. Please attach pay stubs for each adult member in the household, or monetary determination for unemployment benefits, or a benefit notice from a federally funded program.
- Reduction in income due to the COVID-19 public health emergency. Please attach
 proof from your employer, a furlough/termination notice, etc.
- Eligible expense you are requesting assistance for. Please attach bills or invoices to
 document the eligible expense you need assistance with.

PLEASE SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS TO:

Sac and Fox Nation
Attention: COVID Relief Department
920963 S. Hwy 99
Stroud, OK 74079
coviddept@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

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	Date Received:
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Business Relief Program Application Deadline is Nov. 1, 2020

In response to the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Business Committee established the COVID-19 Business Relief Program to provide relief to eligible tribal member-owned businesses.

Any business or enterprise held solely or majority-owned by a Sac and Fox Nation tribal member that can document business interruption as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic are eligible to apply for grant funds through the COVID-19 Business Relief Program. Eligible tribal member-owned businesses may apply to receive a grant up to \$5,000.00 for reimbursement of costs incurred due to COVID-19. Eligible expenses include: expenses to reopen with expanded safety measures, such as additional cleaning supplies, signage, or other modifications to help stop the spread of COVID-19.

All applications and required documentation must be received by November 1, 2020. Upon approval of the application and review of documentation, a check will be mailed to the address listed. Direct deposit is not available and in-person pickup is not available. Funding is on a first come, first serve basis. Applications will be reviewed and approved until program funds are depleted.

Eligibility: To qualify for this program, the applicant must:

- Be an enrolled member of the Sac and Fox Nation
- Be a sole owner or majority owner (51%) of the business applying for the grant and submit documentation of business ownership
- Submit a completed application and a Form W-9 to the Sac and Fox Nation by November 1, 2020
- Verify business operations interruptions due to COVID-19
- Submit documentation of costs incurred due to COVID-19

Questions and Application Assistance:

The Business Committee has established a COVID Relief Department to assist tribal members. The COVID Relief Department will be staffed with tribal relations specialists available to assist tribal members and answer questions. If you have questions about this program or need assistance, please contact the COVID Relief Department: (918)-968-3526 or coviddept@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov.

Applications are also available online at www.sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov. Or you may contact the COVID Relief Department to have an application mailed to you.

Applications may be submitted to the COVID Relief Department: Sac and Fox Nation

Attention: COVID Relief Department

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COVID-19 Business Relief Program Application

BUSINESS	INFORM	MATION

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CERTIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

I am otherwise ineligible to receive.

Signature

By signing below, you make the following representations, authorizations, and certifications:

- I certify that I am an enrolled member of the Sac and Fox Nation with a majority ownership interest in the
 applicant business.
- I certify that the funds will be used to reimburse COVID-19 related eligible expenses that have not been reimbursed by another federal, state, or tribal program or business grant.
- I certify that the business has suffered economic loss from the suspension of operations due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- I certify that the business has been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency.
 I understand that I am subject to prosecution to the fullest extent of the laws of the Sac and Fox Nation if I

knowingly, willfully and fraudulently provide false information for the purpose of obtaining benefits which

Date

YOU MUST ATTACH DOCUMENTATION TO VERIFY THE FOLLOWING:

- Business Ownership. Documents to verify that the Sac and Fox tribal member is the sole owner or majority owner of the business (such as articles of incorporation, operating agreement, or by-laws).
- •Expenses. Receipts to verify expenses related to COVID-19 response (such as expenses to reopen with expanded safety measures, additional cleaning supplies, signage, or other modifications to help stop the spread of COVID-19).

PLEASE SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS TO:

Sac and Fox Nation
Attention: COVID Relief Department
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Stroud, OK 74079
coviddept@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

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Date Received:
Business Ownership Documentation Received:
Receipts to Verify Expenses Received:
Approved by:
Date:
Check Mailed On:

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Regular Business Committee meeting held on September 15, 2020. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve with corrections the Regular Business Committee meeting minutes dated March 18, 2020. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared -Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jared A. King motion to approve with corrections the Special Business Committee meeting minutes dated June 12, 2020. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Don W. Abney motion to approve the Special Business Committee meeting minutes dated June 15, 2020. Jacklyn K. King- 2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- Robert E. Williamson motion to approve with corrections the Special Business Committee meeting minutes dated July 14, 2020. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve with corrections the Special Business Committee meeting minutes dated July 15, 2020. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 6) Robert E. Williamson motion to approve with corrections the Special Business Committee meeting minutes dated July 16, 2020. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Robert E Williamson motion to approve the Recessed Special Business Committee meeting minutes dated July 23, 2020. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 8) Robert E. Williamson motion to ratify straw polls for the following Resolutions:
 - SF-20-202, a resolution authorizing and approving the Detention Service Agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Juvenile Detention Center and the United States Marshal Service, contract #2020-07-13.
 - SF-20-203, a resolution authorizing and approving the Detention Service Agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Juvenile Detention Center and Kiowa County in Oklahoma, contract # 2020-07-11.
 - c. <u>SF-20-204</u>, a resolution authorizing and approving the Detention Service Agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Juvenile Detention Center and Rogers Country in Oklahoma, contract #2020-08-02.
 - d. <u>SF-20-205</u>, a resolution authorizing and approving the Detention Service Agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Juvenile Detention Center and Grant County in Oklahoma, contract #2020-07-12.
 - e. <u>SF-20-206</u>, a resolution approving the Native American Agriculture Fund COVID-19 Rapid Response Supplemental Funds Program Budget in the total amount of Forty-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$48,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Native American Agriculture Fund #TG-2019-0080,0081.
 - f. <u>SF-20-207</u>, a resolution approving and authorizing the submission of an application to The United States Department of Education Office of Elementary and Secondary Education Indian Education Discretionary Grant Program-Demonstration Grants for Indian Children and Youth Program.
 - g. <u>SF-20-208</u>, approving the CARES ACT Information Technology Budget in the total funding amount of Seven Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-One Dollars (\$753,261.00). The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations.
 - SF-20-209, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Intertribal Software Consultants, INC. The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Information Technology Budget.
 - <u>SF-20-210</u>, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Back 40 Design. The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Information Technology Budget.
 - j. <u>SF-20-211</u>, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Dobson Technology. The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Information Technology Budget.

Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.

Jacklyn K. King motion to ratify straw polls for the following:
 addendum to Water Tank Maintenance Contract #2

Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$3,475.00).

- a. addendum to Water Tank Maintenance Contract #2010-11-01a with Utility Services Co. INC.
- donating Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to Meskwaki Nation for Storm Damage. The funding source is identified as Government Donations.
- approval of T.E.H.R. contract #2020-07-02 in the amount of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00).
- (\$300.00).

 d. for approval of T.E.H.R. contract #2020-09-02 in the amount of Three Thousand Four
- approval of contract between Stroud Schools and Sac and Fox Nation Juvenile Detention Center for the 2020-2021 School Year, contract # 2019-10-01a.
- f. approval of five (5) county renewals for detention service agreements: Blaine County #2019-12-02a, Carter County #2019-10-44a, Haskell County #2019-10-38a, Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas #2019-10-37a, and Logan County #2020-01-08a.

Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.

10) Resolution SF-20-212, a resolution adding twenty-seven (27) individuals to the Membership Roll of the Sac and Fox Nation in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of the Sac and Fox Nation. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jacklyn K. King- 2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.

HELP WANTED!

SAC & FOX NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF JOB VACANCIES WITH

THE SAC & FOX NATION: Victim's Administrative Assistant

Victim's Advocate Coordinator
Maintenance Technician

Elders Program Coordinator Health Information Manager

Chief Financial Director
Resident Advisor (Juvenile Detention Center)

Land and Cattle Laborer

Meal Delivery Driver (Part-time)

COVID-19 Custodian (Temporary)

COVID-19 Entrance Screener (Temporary)

COVID-19 Receptionist (Temporary)

Capitol Security Officer (Part Time)

Environmental Technician (Part Time)
Shipping & Receiving & Filing Clerk (Temporary)

Education Assistant (Temporary)

RAP Receptionist - Part-time

Applicants must successfully pass an OSBI/National background check and drug screen. Preference in hiring is given to qualified Native Americans.

Applicants claiming Indian Preference must provide a copy of their CDIB. For more information and to learn how to apply please visit our website at:

www.sacandfoxnation.com

or contact Human Resources, Sac and Fox Nation, 920963 S. Hwy. 99, Bldg. A Stroud, OK 74079 or by phone (918) 968-3526

Business Committee Meeting Minutes

- 11) Resolution SF-20-213, a resolution approving and authorizing the submission of a nomination of the Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Police Department to The Aftermath, Specialist in trauma cleaning and biohazard removal, for K9 grants. Jared A. King-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 12) Resolution SF-20-214, a resolution approving the Institute of Museum and Library Services Basic Library Budget in the total amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Institute of Museum and Library Services Award #NAB-246453-OLS-20. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 13) Resolution SF-20-215, a resolution approving and authorizing the submission of an application to the United States Department of Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs Native American Business Development Institute (NABDI) Grant. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- 14) Resolution SF-20-216, a resolution approving the Small Ambulatory Program budget in the total amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00). The funding source is identified as the Indian Health Services Division of Engineering Services. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 15) Resolution SF-20-217, a resolution approving the Native American Agriculture Fund Meat Processing Planning Budget in the total amount of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00). The funding sources is identified as the Native American Agriculture Fund #TG-2019-0080. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-No. Motion carried.
- 16) Resolution SF-20-218, a resolution approving the Native American Agriculture Fund Youth Program Budget in the Total Amount of Thirteen Thousand Seventy-Five Dollars (\$13,075.00). The funding source is identified as the Native American Agriculture Fund, Year 1. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-No, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared -Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 17) Resolution SF-20-219, a resolution approving the National Park Service Underrepresented Communities Budget in the total funding amount of Twenty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Three Dollars (\$24,823.00). The funding source is identified as the DOI National Park Service Grant #P20AP00413, Year 1 of 2. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 18) Resolution SF-20-220, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Revenue Allocation Plan Elders Advisory Board Budget Modification #1 in the total funding amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00). The funding sources is identified as the Governing Council Resolution SF/GC-20-05. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- 19) Resolution SF-20-221, a resolution to approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Sac and Fox Nation Land and Cattle Budget Modification #3 in the Total Funding Amount of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars (\$180,582.00). The funding source is identified as Oil and Gas Royalties Revenue. Robert E. Williamson- motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 20) Resolution SF-20-222, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Revenue Allocation Plan Maintenance Facilities and Grounds Department Budget Modification #3 in the Total Funding amount of One Hundred Eleven Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars and Forty Cents (\$111,798.40). The funding sources are identified as the Fiscal year 2020 Governing Council approved Resolutions SF/GC-20-05 and SF/GC-20-06. Don W. Abney-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 21) Resolution SF-20-223, a resolution approving the CARES Act Realty Budget in the total funding amount not to exceed Two Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$2,900.00). The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations. Jared A. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 22) Resolution SF-20-224, a resolution approving the 2020-2021 Senior Man of the Year and the 2020-2021 Senior Woman of the Year. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 23) Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the 2021 Holiday Calendar, option C. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.

With Sincere Gratitude

There are not enough words to fully express our heartfelt thanks for the sympathy, love and support you have extended to our family during the loss of our dad/grandpa. Thank you to those who sent flowers, plants, food, monetary gifts and cards, in-state and out-of-state. Thank you Brother Jeromye Jackson, Truman Carter, SF Maintenance Department, The Sac and Fox Nation, Seminole Nation, Absentee-Shawnee Tribe Color Guards and Air Force. Thank you Stroud Fire Department for flying the American Flag and, Ida Parish and her helpers for preparing the meal.

With sincere gratitude on behalf of the Thomas Morris Jr. Family Numbers 6:24-26



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Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Recessed Regular Business Committee meeting held on September 16, 2020. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

- 1) Resolution SF-20-225 a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Lambert Construction in the amount of Twelve Million Three Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$12,378,000.00), contract #2020-09-01. The funding sources are identified as the Fiscal Year 2021 Department of Interior Government-to-Government (G2G) Tribal Transportation Program Budget and the BHHC Third Party Billing Budget. Don W. Abneymotion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 2) Resolution SF-20-226, a resolution approving the CARES Act Gaming Commission Budget Modification #1 in the total funding amount of One Million Seven Hundred Ten Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$1,710,338.00). The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-227, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Merydyan Technologies, LLC., contract #2020-08-01. The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Gaming Commission Budget. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Robert E. Williamson motion to approve a renewal agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Juvenile Detention Center and the Sac and Fox of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska, #2019-10-35a.
 Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve request for modification to agreement with Midwest Professional, P.L.L.C. for audit services. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to accept lowest bidder Laird & Walkingstick Insurance for insurance proposals for Building and Contents/Automobiles/Equipment/General Liability/Tribal Officials Errors and Omissions Liability/Professional Healthcare Errors and Omissions Liability/Crime, Employee Benefit Plan, Employment Practices Liability. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 7) Don W. Abney motion to approve the 2020-2021 Native American Finance Officers Association (NAFOA) membership in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). The funding source is identified as the General Operations Memberships/Fees and Dues line item. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the Activity Committee request for funding from Treasury to host Annual Seniors of the Year Awards, Tribal Royalty Presentation Event and Halloween Event, with all expenses being deposited back into Treasury after approval of 2021 RAP Budgets, funding, not to exceed seven thousand two hundred thirty dollars. (\$7,230.00). Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve appointing Amanda Murie to the Johnson O'Malley Indian Education Parent Committee. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve appointing Cody Morris to the Rodeo Committee. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.
- 11) Resolution SF-20-228, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Indian Health Services Compact Budget Modification #4 in the total funding amount of Fifteen Million Nine Hundred Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Seven Dollars (\$15,919,837.00). The funding sources are identified as the Fiscal Year 2020 Indian Health Services Compact Funding Agreement with prior year's carryover. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 12) Resolution SF-20-229, a resolution rescinding the Black Hawk Health Center Health Information Management Department Policies and Procedures dated July 22, 2008 with Resolution SF-08-232. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 13) Resolution SF-20-230, a resolution authorizing and approving the Black Hawk Health Center Policy: Health Information Management Department. Don W. Abney-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- Robert E. Williamson motion to approve Local/Government Donations to North Rock Creek Schools Football Booster Club in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), Stroud Golf Course in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00), Cushing Festival in the Park in the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), 2020 SW Christian University Basketball Challenge in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), Prague Middle School Cheerleaders in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and Prague Schools Booster Club in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for a total of Nine Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$9,200.00). Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Yes, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 15) Robert E. Williamson motion to approve Charitable Donations to Cushing Indian Baptist Church in the amount of Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$9,890.00). Don W. Abney-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.

Dream Team: OMRF, OU join Forces to Battle the Virus

When Covid-19 hit Oklahoma, the state had only minimal testing options available. In most labs with standard equipment on hand, technicians could only complete a few dozen tests per day.

"This was a major unmet need," said Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation scientist Joel Guthridge, Ph.D. "Everyone recognized we had to have more testing."

For help, he reached out to Michael Talbert, M.D., Lloyd E. Rader Professor and Chair of the Department of Pathology at the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine. Together, they pioneered a new approach to test for the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

Utilizing a Fluidigm Biomark, a \$300,000 piece of scientific equipment that uses microfluidics and a technique called reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction (or RT-PCR), they could gather vast amounts of data from limited quantities of sample materials and detect small amounts of virus.

"It was a completely novel idea to use the equipment this way," said Talbert, who oversees laboratory testing operations at OU that generate a total of approximately 5 million results each year. "No one had done this."

Under Talbert's guidance, an OU Medicine facilities crew renovated an empty lab to accommodate the personnel and specialized equipment the effort would require. "We made fast changes," he said. "We even put up a wall in one day."

The Biomark system employs a technology known as "microfluidics," minimizing the amounts of precious reagents required to run tests. It also possesses the ability to process multiple samples at once, meaning that it holds the potential to deliver many times more results on a daily basis than a standard testing system.

For months, a joint team of OU and OMRF scientists lived a Groundhog Day-like existence, routinely pulling shifts of 12 hours or more as they refined their testing protocols. "They worked night and day, seven days a week, and often didn't even know what day it was," Guthridge said.

As cases in Oklahoma kept mushrooming, the group felt increasing pressure to get the lab up and running. Still, even a single false negative could send an infectious person back out into the world, triggering a cluster of new cases. "We had to get it right," Guthridge said.

In June, the OU-OMRF team filed its final application with the FDA to launch the new test. Although Talbert described the early days as "training mode," the operation continues to ramp up. Each day, couriers deliver samples collected at OU Medicine facilities and at "swab pods" in Oklahoma City, Tulsa and Norman. Technicians then prepare and load batches of samples, up to 186 at a time, into the Biomark, where each run takes about

six hours.

During that time, said Guthridge, the machine tests each sample five times, which ensures accuracy. And because of the Biomark's "sensitivity," it can detect infections other commercially available tests — especially the ones that deliver rapid results — can miss.

Most samples arrive in the afternoon. In a time when testing backlogs often force patients to wait a week or more to learn whether they have Covid-19, the lab typically reports results the following day. Sometimes, they're able to deliver results that same day.

Still, the team is not resting on its laurels. Guthridge and Talbert are working on a concept called pooling that could quadruple the lab's daily testing capacity without using any additional reagents. They're also investigating the use of saliva samples, which would do away with the uncomfortable nasopharyngeal swab in favor of a simple and painless spit-ina-cup.

Even though the collaboration arose in response to an unparalleled health crisis, Talbert described the process of working with his OMRF neighbors as "amazing" and "fun." "We shared a single goal: to help Oklahomans in an unprecedented time of medical need," he said.

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