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# U. S. Supreme Court McGirt Decision: No Need for Congressional Fix

### Longtime Prosecutor Reviews Historical Timeline

(Editor's Note: The following was written and submitted for publication in the Sac and Fox News by Truman Carter, the founder and owner of Indian Country Law Center in Shawnee, Okla. He has prosecuted Indian country crimes for 3 years.)

The U.S. Supreme Court decision in McGirt v Oklahoma has generated renewed interest in the investigation and prosecution of crimes in Indian country in Oklahoma. This decision provides clarity and guidance for those officers charged with the shared responsibility and provide law and order on Indian lands.

The Supreme Court decision is the latest of court cases successfully challenging Oklahoma's overreaching exercise of jurisdiction over crimes committed by Indians in the Indian country. The Acts of Congress and federal courts have established the framework for applying and enforcing federal, tribal and state laws in the Indian country, as defined by Congress.

Beginning in 1834, Congress enacted laws describing and defining Indian lands as "Indian country." This is the territory within which tribal and federal laws relating to Indians are generally applicable.

In 1948, Congress amended the federal criminal code and enacted a comprehensive definition of Indian country, at 18 U.S.C.§ 1151, providing that In-

dian country "means (a) all land within the limits of any Indian reservation(.. b) all dependent Indian communities...a nd (c) all Indian allotments"...

The result is a system where the authority is shared between

the federal, tribal, and state governments. The status of the offense, the offender and the victim (Indian or non-Indian) will determine which jurisdiction will prosecute. All three types of Indian country are now recognized in Oklahoma.

In 1953, Congress established (Continued on Page 14)

## COVID-19 Relief Department is Assisting Eligible Tribal Members With Critical New Programs

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee has established a temporary COVID-19 Relief Department to assist tribal members during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

The Business Committee also approved new COVID-19 assistance programs to provide critical assistance to eligible members of the Sac and Fox Nation. The COVID-19 Relief Department became operational on August 10 to assist tribal members and accept applications.

During a July 23 meeting, the Business Committee allocated \$,000,000.00 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding to the COVID-19 Relief Department. The Business Committee also approved two new assistance programs: the COVID-19 Human Services Relief Program and the COVID-19 Business Relief Program. Both programs were designed to provide necessary relief to tribal members in

response to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Under the Human Services Relief Program, eligible tribal members may apply to receive assistance with expenses related to the COVID-19 public health emergency. To be eligible, applicants must be enrolled members of the Sac and Fox Nation, 18 years of age or older, experienced a loss of income, and meet the income guidelines outlined in the program guidelines (earn 400% or less of the National Poverty Guideline standards). As part of the application process, applicants will have to provide documentation to verify need.

Under the Business Relief Program, any business or enterprise held solely or majority-owned by a Sac and Fox Nation tribal member can apply for grant funds to reimburse eligible expenses incurred due to COVID-19. The business must be able to document business interruptions as a result of the (Continued on Page 3)



#### COVID-19 Testing is Available

The Sac and Fox Nation began operating a drive-thru testing clinic for COVID-19 on July 20. The testing is available to patients with an active medical record at Black Hawk Health Center (BHHC). The testing station is located at the Sac and Fox Nation Community Building Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. A photo ID is required. Aislinn Munson and Ben Bailey are pictured above preparing to administer a test to Kyle Pacheco. In the side photo, Munson and Bailey are shown at the testing station table. Individuals without an active medical record at BHHC can contact Patient Registration at (918) 968-9531.

ration at (918) 968-9531. (Photo by Mike Brown)



## Sac and Fox Leaders Allocate \$700,000 to Provide Students Laptops for Distance Learning

The Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee announced on July 28 the 'COVID-19 Education Assistance Program.' In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, this program will provide technology assistance to tribal students who are enrolled members of the Sac and Fox Nation. Students in pre-kindergarten through college can apply.

The Business Committee allocated \$0 0,000.00 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding to the COVID-19 Education Assistance Program to ensure tribal students have access to technology and can participate in distance learning during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

All students who are enrolled members of the Sac and Fox Nation may apply to receive a Chromebook (Pre-K through 11th grade) or a laptop (12th grade through college) to assist with their distance learning needs. As part of the application process, applicants will

have to provide documentation to verify school enrollment.

Please contact the Sac and Fox Nation Education Department for further information or to have an application sent to you. The application will also be available online at www.sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov. Completed applications must be mailed to the Education Department.

Sac and Fox Nation Education Department: Edwina Butler-Wolfe (918) 968-3526, Ext. 2046 butler-wolfe@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

Jean Lynam (918)968-3526, Ext: 2043 jean.lynam@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

Applications will be reviewed and approved until program funds are depleted. Upon approval of the application, the Education Department will contact approved applicants to provide a status update and the expected arrival date of the devices. The program ends in December 2020.

#### **Chief Justin Freeland Wood's Address to the Nation**

When we began the year 2020, our goals and plans looked much different than they do today. The amount of anxiety and stress that tribulation such as COVID-19 can cause can be overwhelming. Romans 12:12 reads, "Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer." - My hope is in Jesus Christ and not in my own strength. I desire that we will, together in unity - rejoice in our hope, that we can patiently respond to our current situation, and that we will constantly pray for those in need and take action to help where we are able.

In this Sac and Fox News edition you will notice applications for several new programs that we have developed to give immediate aid to Sac and Fox tribal members. If you have lost work and fall within 400% of the federal poverty level, there is help

for you. If you own a business that has lost income because of

the virus, there is help for you. If you do not fall into those categories, we created a COVID Relief program that has and is distributing two, one-thousand-dollar relief checks to 18 years and older tribal members impacted in their everyday life, by the virus. Within that program, we also approved two, two-hundred-and-fifty-dollar relief checks to children under the age of 18. For those who have yet to submit, that application is included in this edition.

I would like to highlight one more approved use of the CARES ACT funds the Sac and Fox Nation received. We are emphasizing the improvement of our technology across our capitol complex. We will be creating a more user-friendly website, laying Internet fiber across

the complex, purchasing software to connect departments. For the first time, our tech-(Continued on Page 3)



Sac and Fox Nation
Principal Chief
Justin Freeland Wood

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## **Obituaries**

# Harlan Mack McKosato

Harlan Mack McKosato was born on April 10, 1966 to Hoke Mack McKosato (Sac & Fox Nation) and Bette Marie Free-McKosato (Bah-Kho-Je Nation) in Pawnee, Okla.. He grew up in Perkins, Okla. with his mother's people, the Bah-Kho-Je People.

Harlan attended Perkins Elementary School, Perkins Middle School, and graduated from Perkins-Tryon High School in 1984. His high school accomplishments include Harrah and Olive Basketball All-Tournament Teams; NewsPress All-Area Player in Basketball and Football; All-Region and Honorable Mention All-State - Basketball; Who's Who Most Athletic and Best All-Around; All Conference - Basketball; All District - Football and State Honor Society. He then attended The University of Oklahoma in Norman, Okla. where he graduated in December 1988 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism from the Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication.

The college later named him one of its distinguished alumni by inducting him into the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity. He went on to work for UNITY where he was a mentor to many youths, serving

Mary Lou Peacore

Mary Lou

Peacore

nee, OK went to be with our Lord on

Sunday July 26, 2020.

Mary Lou Peacore, age 60, of Shaw-

Mary Lou enjoyed and loved her fam-

ily dearly. She will be remembered for

her loving heart and her willingness to give her last dollar to anyone in need.

Her memory also lives on by the strength

she always showed; a quality that was

passed on to her children and grandchil-

dren. Mary Lou worked as a waitress

for many years. Some of her hobbies in-

cluded spending time with friends at the

casino and gathering for family dinners.

She grew up in Ridgecrest, CA where she

graduated high school, was baptized and

ents Frances and Leon Peacore. Three

brothers Joaquin Miller, David and Ran-

dy Peacore, and her nephew Darren Pea-

and Will Jacoway of Tecumseh, OK, Mi-

chael John and Malita Green of Shaw-

nee, Jeremiah, Elena Green of Shawnee,

and one sister Francine Johnson. Mary

Lou had 8 grandchildren: Destanie, Se-

renity, and Ananias Jacoway, Shaniah

and Symphony Green, Jaelyn, Jaeda, and

Jaesten Green as well as nephews Phillip

Peacore, Brad Braley, nieces Savannah

Miller, Brandy Peacore, lifelong friend

Kent "Ace" Lynam and many more fam-

Services were held at Cross Con-

nection Church "C3" in Shawnee, OK

on July 30, 2020, followed by burial at

Snake Creek Baptist Church in Semi-

nole, OK under the direction of Walker

ily and friends.

Funeral Service.

She is survived by three children Faith

She is preceded in death by her par-

also became a youth leader.

as both a trainer and UNITY Earth Ambassador advisor. After UNITY, he began his work at Native America Calling. He was the voice of the national broadcast radio show Native America Calling for 17 years.

Harlan was an icon in Indian Country for his award-winning contributions to world news outlets. He paved the way for many young Native people to join him in the field of communications. He has been named UNITY's Eddie Wadda Alumni of the Year 2020. The award was presented on Thursday, July 23. In addition, UNITY will be naming communication scholarships in honor of Harlan.

The morning of July 21, 2020 our dearly beloved Harlan began his journey back to manetêv a where he was surrounded by his family and friends at his home in Albuquerque, NM. Harlan has walked on to be with his late brother, Mitchell Allen McKosato. He is survived by his son Nekon Che McKosato, brother Kenneth Robert McKosato, and sisters Deanna Lynn McKosato and Shelley Magdalene McKosato-Haupt.

Harlan had many friends and relatives across Indian Country and they all have sent their condolences to the family. His

family is honored and humbled by the outpour of love for him. He will be greatly missed. He was a father, husband, son, brother, uncle and grandpa.

Traditional services were held July 24, 2020, at the McKosato Family Home. Burial was at McKosato Family Cemetery, Prague, Okla.



Harlan Mack McKosato

## Quintin 'Gaw' Butler

Quintin grew up in Oklahoma City and Quintin "Gaw" Butler departed this Tulsa, Oklahoma, and in 1970 the family life July 10, 2020 in Houston, Texas at moved to Houston, TX. He graduated in the age of 64. He was born on October 1975 with a diploma from Robert E. Lee 23, 1955 in Oklahoma City, OK to Don-High School. Quintin enjoyed technolna Edge and Edward "Hambone" Butler. ogy, building, and repairing computers, and worked most of his life in the computer field. He had a passion for music,

> He was a self-taught guitarist and bass player. He also taught himself how to play pool and competed in pool tournaments in Houston. Quintin enjoyed attending powwows and taking pictures/ videos. He shared his work on social media, and his work even reached Europe.

> pool, traveling and spending time with

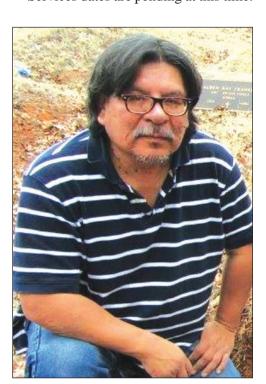
Quintin enjoyed spending time with his nieces and nephews, and often traveled to visit family in Oklahoma. He had a special place in his heart for his second nieces, Yunnin and Ylva, and treated them like they were his own grandchildren. He was known to them as Grandpa

He is preceded in death by his parents. Edward and Donna Butler, brother Ronald Butler, and sister Deanna Butler Bates.

Survivors include his brothers, John Butler and David Butler, Houston, TX and Brent Butler, Austin, TX. Nieces Angela Bangstein, Notodden, Norway,

Joanne Butler, Livingston, TX, Erica Bates and Julianne Butler, Houston, TX. Nephews, Dewayne Abbey, Houston, TX, David Butler Jr. and Michael Butler, Houston, TX and Brent Butler, Austin, TX. Second nieces Yunnin and Ylva Bangstein of Norway.

Services dates are pending at this time.



Quintin 'Gaw' Butler

# Brandon Eriek Norman

Brandon Eriek Norman was born June children Kennedy and Christian of Mor-20th 1979 in Mt. Vernon Washington. Brandon was an Artist – "I am driven by a single goal to make the world a better place for all."

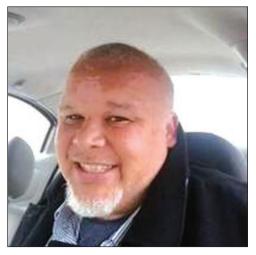
He was a member of the Sac and Fox Nation and grew up in the Pacific Northwest, attending Curtis Senior High School in Tacoma, WA. He later moved to Austin, Texas where he attended College and pursued his studies in Art and Graphic Design. He was a member of Creative Arts at Austin Community College and developed his love of Hip Hop and Underground music.

After relocating to Shawnee, Oklahoma, Brandon finished his degree in Graphic Arts at Rose State College and began working as a freelance graphic artist. He continued his love of music under the name "Boundlis" by creating several online rooms where people could come share in his love of hip hop and join in a community atmosphere of like-minded artists.

Brandon was a diverse, happy, kind, creative soul who loved comics, fantasy, and the creation of Art and Music. His passion being his comics, Brandon authored and published "Bee Boy" issues 1 and 2 and was currently in the process of making a third edition to his original creation. His distinct laugh could be recognized by all who knew him.

Brandon is survived by his mother, Kay Rhoads of Meeker, OK; father, Robert Norman of Santa Clara, CA; sister, Mingh and Clarence Whitfield and their

ton, PA; sister, Krishna Bear and Joseph Mack of Shawnee OK; brother, Ravi and Amanda Norman and their children Sydney, Richard, Sayah of Minnetonka, MI; brother, Jason Keller of Oklahoma City OK; brother, Shaun Norman of San Francisco, CA; and niece, Sydney and Brandon Breezawitz and their children Gweneth and Marylin of Shawnee, OK; his former wife, Nancy Hook of Tuttle, OK; his Bacardi Clan of University Place, WA; and, multiple and extended aunts, uncles and cousins and loved ones. Services were held at Walker Funeral Service in Shawnee, OK on August 21, 2020. A reception dinner followed for all friends and family at Horseshoe Bend Community Center in Shawnee, OK.



Brandon Eriek Norman

**Business Committee Meeting** Minutes are now accessible on the Website sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov and Facebook

Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline

#### **Obituaries**

# Edward Charles 'Chuck' Spoon, Jr.

The family of Edward Charles Spoon, Jr ("Chuck") is saddened to announce his passing on July 14, 2020 at the age of 44 years. Chuck passed peacefully and surrounded by his family after months of hospice care. Chuck was a lifelong resident of Shawnee, Oklahoma.

Chuck was born on July 4th, 1976 in Claremore, Oklahoma to Edward Charles Spoon, Sr. and Edith Verlayne (Littlehead) Spoon Wilson. He was an enrolled member of the Sac and Fox Nation. He was also a descendant of the Absentee Shawnee and Euchee Tribes.

Chuck graduated from Shawnee High School in 1995. He later attended Gordon Cooper Vocational School and Rose State College. He worked several years as a cement mason in the construction field.

During Chuck's lifetime, he liked playing softball, he enjoyed drawing, playing pool, and he loved to listen to heavy metal music and attending concerts. Chuck was also a keen dart player winning several local dart tournaments. He enjoyed cooking out and spending time with family and friends.

Chuck was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Lucinda "Cindy" (Spoon) Johnson. He is survived by two sisters, Shawna Spoon and Casey Wilson, both of Shawnee; maternal aunt, Clarissa Littlehead and her family; maternal uncle, Cecil Littlehead and his family; paternal aunt, Marilyn Spoon and her family, as well as numerous cousins, other relatives and friends.

Chuck was especially close to his niece, Madison Johnson and nephews,

Geremy Johnson, Aiden Mitchell, Gunner, Zeke, Kayne, and Myles Wassana. He was a loving uncle to all of his other nieces and nephews as well. Chuck is also survived by his adopted father, Dennis Jennings of Prague, OK and adopted mother, Jennifer Onzawah of Shawnee,

Tribal rites were held on July 17, 2020 and burial was held on July 18, 2020 at the Sac and Fox Nation Cemetery in Stroud, Oklahoma. The family wishes to thank everyone who helped with the funeral and who provided their support during this difficult time.



Edward Charles Spoon, Jr.

# David D. 'Bunny' Harris

David D. "Bunny" Harris passed away July 16, 2020 in Tulsa, Okla. at the age of 85. David was born March 4, 1935 to Robert Falls and Katherine Jefferson 22, 1939 in Stroud, Okla.

He served in the US Army from 1952 to 1958. He worked as a truck driver for 50 years. David loved to read, especially his Bible. David liked to venture out and take bus rides. One of his favorite places to go was the library and read his Westerns. David loved to go to church every

chance he got, and was an extremely faithful and generous man.

He is survived by his brother Ralph Hamblin and his wife Joyce, his son Randy Harris and many more family members and friends. David was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers Eugene Harris, James Harris and Arthur Hamblin Ir

Services were held July 21, 2020 at the Sac and Fox Nation Chapel, south of Stroud, Okla.

#### **COVID-19 Assistance Programs**

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COVID-19 pandemic.

Program guidelines and applications are available on the Nation's website: www.sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov. The application period will close on November 1, 2020. However, funding is on a first come, first serve basis. Applications will be reviewed and approved until program funds are depleted.

Beginning on August 10, the COVID-19 Relief Department is available to assist tribal members and answer questions. If you have questions about

these programs and the application process, please contact the COVID Relief Department: (918)-968-3526 or covid-dept@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov.

These new programs are in addition to previously announced COVID-19 relief programs: the COVID-19 Relief Program for Elders (announced on April 29, 2020), the COVID-19 Economic Support Program (announced on May 21, 2020), and the COVID-19 Education Technology Program (announced on July 28, 2020).

## **Chief Wood's Address to the Nation**

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nology will be on par with everything that 2020 has to offer. During a time of pandemic, our technology should match the urgency of your needs. While there is so much we would like to do to better the lives of Sac and Fox tribal members during this pandemic, the United States Treasury department has given us a very strict list of guidelines that help the Business Committee understand what is a

qualified expenditure and what is not an allowable use of the CARES ACT distribution.

Please do not hesitate to reach out by phone at (918)968-3526 or email at: justinwood@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov. I appreciate your patience and willingness to step up and help your fellow tribal member. Together we are stronger. God Bless.

# Isabelle Colleen Edgin

Isabelle Colleen Edgin, age 93, of Moore, OK passed away Sunday, August 16, 2020 in Moore. She was born March 25, 1927 in Shawnee, OK to Frank and Mary (McKosato) Peacore.

Isabelle grew up in the Shawnee area. She lived in California for 25 years, but lived most of her life in Shawnee. She attended school at Haskell.

Isabelle married James Edgin in 1950 in Fort Smith, Arkansas. She was a nurse for 42 years. She worked many years as a surgical nurse and finished her career at Sunset Estates in Tecumseh, OK. She was a member of New Hope Baptist Church since 2013.

She was a talented seamstress and loved to sew. Isabelle also loved to go shopping. She was very proud of her family and dearly loved all her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren.

Isabelle was preceded in death by her parents; her husband James; daughter, Margaret Wood; son, David Tibbetts; grandson, Christopher Gregory; son in law, Robert Godfrey; siblings, Charlotte Hillman, Margaret Peacore, Buddy Peacore, Georgie Peacore, and Eugene Peacore

She is survived by her daughter, Mary Ann Godfrey; adopted daughter and her husband, Melanie and Sam Roberts; adopted son, Steve Brokeshoulder; sister, Jackie Helfer; daughter in law, Karen Tibbetts; niece, Georgette Capshaw; grandchildren, Andy Gregory, Michelle Wilson, Mary Black, Rachael and Mike Hedgcoth, Tony and Amy Tibbetts, Chris Tibbetts, Angie Tibbetts, Lauren Roberts, Megan and Wynn Royce; great-grandchildren, Ally and Talor Stewart, Taylor

and Destiny McLeod, Ashley and Chad Enloe, Katelynn Gregory, Andrew Gregory II, Drew Black, Josh Nelson, Nathan Black, Maya Black, Novella Tibbetts, Townsend Tibbetts, Austin Hedgcoth, Evan Hedgcoth, Michael Hunt, Chase Hunt, Leah Jones, Ricklee Henderson, and Chevy Royce; great great grand-children, Landen McLeod, Noah McLeod, Ledger Enloe; numerous nieces and nephews; and many other family and friends.

Services were held August 22, 2020 at New Hope Baptist Church with Josh Stinnett of New Hope Baptist Church, Bethel Acres, Oklahoma officiating. Burial followed at Tecumseh Cemetery under the direction of Cooper Funeral Home of Tecumseh.



Isabelle Colleen Edgin

# Happy September Birthday Elders!

Maxine Carter Reginald James Haney Vicki S. Wilson Kenneth Ray Bruno Robert Butler Wolf Kimberly Michelle Boone Harry Michael Foster Gregory Lynn Lewis Linda Kaye Brown Jennie Kay Bemo Coleen Beck June Vlaun Eli F. Foreman Henry Lee Jones Rosemary Smith Terry Jean Thomas Henrietta M. Massey Samuel Ray Whitebead Janet Gail Neff Clifford Earl Allmond Zack T. Morris Yvonne Mary Goodeagle Jackie Shirley Carter-Morrison Aaron Lee McKinney Clarissa June Littlehead Lela Jolene Walker Michael Eugene Longshore

Marisa Ilona Duncan
Thomasine Betsy Wildcat
Joyce Ann Ivy
Sara K. Dye
Christopher Alan Couteau
Michael Eugene Longshore
Phillip Joseph Petitt
Josetta Yvonne Heuston
Vickie Teresa Wylie
Don Wayne Abney
Richard Allen Grass
Reta Gay Limore
Annette Louise Haney
Randy E. Poodry
Edie Rochelle Cox
Peter Dean Edmonson

John Curtis Pell
Freddie Alexander Casteel
Little Joe Conallis
Clarita Kay Yost
Carol J. Childers

Carol J. Childers
Cathy Le June Cole
Gary Lee Morgan
Leroy Vernon Ellis
Donna L. Haney

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# **ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Sac and Fox Nation Human Service Department is now accepting applications for FY' 2020 LIHEAP Cooling season for the months of May 1, 2020 through September 31, 2020. You can pick up applications from the Main Office/SMPC (please call to make an appointment and we can take the application to your vehicle) or off the Sac and Fox Nation website. If you have any questions please contact Carrie LaDeaux, Interim Human Services Director at 918/968-3526 ext. 2010 or email Carrie. Ladeaux@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov.

## Sac and Fox Nation Education Department News

by Edwina Butler-Wolfe

The Education Department has been calling the area schools that we service with the Johnson O'Malley (JOM) Program, and trying to get some consensus of how each school will be handling reopening their doors for the school year 2020 - 2021. Most schools will be trying to open as normal and handling issues that confronts them from day to day with COVID-19.

Some schools did surveys to parents on choices of how they would be sending their children back school. With distance learning, the student will not be allowed to participate in sports or extra curricula at some of the schools. We would think that schools will give some options to the parents of how their children will be attending school. I personally do not agree with an option of distance learning and not being able to participate in any extra curriculum. Most students strive to be in school to participate in extra curriculum, example sports. We have not heard of any area schools not opening for school year 2020 -2021, but the question is how to. President Trump and Education Secretary Betsy DeVos are threatening to cut federal funding to schools who do not fully physically reopen.

We are very happy to report to the Sac and Fox Nation school age members that during this trying time of our young members, that a relief has been lifted from you. Since the CARES Act Relief funding was granted to the Sac and Fox Nation, the Business Committee will be sending some funding to the Education Department.

We proposed during Covid-19 this has affected our Sac and Fox Nation school age members by not being able to do virtual distance learning during COVID-19. Students were unable to continue their education. There were some schools that provided limited equipment to students

during the shutdown of schools in March of 2020. We have developed an application, guidelines and a waiver, and we have the approval of the Business Committee.

The Education Department has been working with the Sac and Fox IT Department on ordering Chromebooks and only high school seniors will be getting a lap top. We have called each school within our JOM service area and some schools will be furnishing a Chromebook for their students and a hot spot when needed. The Sac and Fox Education application will have to be signed by the school your child is enrolled in, of the need of a Chromebook. We also have noted that schools already have in place agreements with Verizon and/or AT&T for services of hot spots devices. The Nation will only provide the Chromebook or lap top and it will be the parent's responsibility to go to the school the child attends to get set up on the school service.

A waiver will need to be signed before Chromebook or lap top is released. This waiver is for the Sac and Fox Education Department and Sac and Fox Nation of not being responsible once equipment is issued out to tribal member of any damage, lost, stolen, etc... THERE WILL BE NO REPLACEMENT!!

Sac and Fox Higher Education Students are eligible for a lap top as well. Each student will need to have the college they are attending sign off on the application, and the student will need to sign the waiver as well as to send in a copy of their CDIB enrollment card.

The Education Department has been very busy with clothing, JOM, higher education, and technology equipment applications. We would like to stress to every tribal member to make sure you send in all the documents that is asked for on the applications. This saves us from having to call for missing documents. On any applications you apply, you should always send in your CDIB card (enrollment card) to verify you or your children are Sac and Fox members.

As of this date, the lap tops have been delivered and are being distributed out to students. We are still waiting on Chromebooks. It is our understanding that the Chromebooks are a hot item right now due to distance learning. We ask that you have patience. They are ordered and as soon as they are delivered, we will be calling to set up a time for you the pick up the Chromebook. There will be a scheduled date, time, and location for pick up. We plan to be in the Shawnee and Cushing area.

The pick up area at the Learning Center will be on the west side of the building, at the west side window. Enter in the gated area, and we ask that you wear a mask when picking up Chromebook. We will be starting with the earliest applications from July 28 to the present date. Now, if you had to be called for missing documents, your date will be when you turned in a completed application.

The Education Department would like to give a big THANKS to Ms. Beverly Jackson from the Sac and Fox Multi-Purpose Building in Shawnee for all she does for the Education Department and collecting our Clothing, JOM, Higher Education, and Technology Applications. A start date for equipment was July 28, 2020, and is still in process.

We are still taking applications for clothing and JOM supplies for this school year 2020 -2021.

The Sac and Fox Education Department is open Monday through Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm by appointments

only. You can also take your clothing and JOM applications to the Shawnee Multi-Purpose Building, 215 N. Harrison Street, Shawnee, OK 74801, and we will pick up completed applications on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week.

PLEASE BE SURE TO SIGN AND COMPLETE ALL DOCUMENTS AND SEND ALL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED ON THE APPLICATIONS!! THIS WILL SAVE YOU AND US TIME!

Thank you, Edwina Butler-Wolfe Cell number: 405 328-0402 918 968-3526, EXT: 2046



Katherine Van Winkle, a senior at Varnum High School, was the first student to receive a new laptop computer at the Sac and Fox Nation Education Department August 19, 2020.



#### First to Apply for New Laptop!

Pictured from left are: Sac and Fox Principal Chief Justin F. Wood, Sac and Fox Nation tribal member Joseph Maytubby who is a senior at Shawnee High School, Edwina Butler-Wolfe, Director of Education for the Sac and Fox Nation, and Jason Saxton, Shawnee High School football coach. Joseph Maytubby's application for a new laptop computer was the first to be turned in on July 28, 2020 in the Education Department. We wanted to do a photo shoot to start the process of disbursement of the lap tops. Joseph is a senior and plays football for the Shawnee Wolves and also plays basketball. He plans to attend Oklahoma University to pursue his football career. Coach Saxton said "Joseph is a good student, studies and works hard in his academics and all his school sports." The Nation is proud of Joseph and is proud of ALL OUR SAC AND FOX STUDENTS NATION WIDE!!!



Pictured is artwork by Janae Grass that is being showcased at Hardesty Arts in Tulsa until Sept. 20, 2020. (Photo Provided)

# 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.

# Janae Grass' Artwork Being Showcased At Hardesty Arts in Downtown Tulsa

Former Miss Sac and Fox Nation Princess Janae Grass' artwork, consisting of two paintings and bead work, is currently being showcased in downtown Tulsa at the AHHA ( Hardesty Arts ) Art Gallery in an exhibition, "Re/Convening: Native Arts Of Oklahoma."

The exhibit extends until September 20, 2020. Janae has also received the Student Award of Excellence from the Oklahoma Visual Arts Coalition. Her work is featured in their Art Focus Oklahoma magazine Summer 2020 issue.

She also has an art piece to be featured Arts Coalition website.

in the traveling art show, '24 Works on Paper,' which starts at SWOSU Art Gallery in Weatherford, Okla. in late August of this year. Her art then travels the state for two years until the final stop at Gaylord Pickens Museum in Oklahoma City in December 2022.

The full schedule can be found at ovacok.org. Janae's work was also featured in a virtual art show at Northeastern State University. An article featuring Janae and her artwork and a video interview can also be found on the Oklahoma Visual Arts Coalition website.

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Contact the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education by e-mail at okpromise@osrhe.edu or by phone at 1-8-858-1840 (225-9152 in OKC)

Get an application from your counselor

## Sac & Fox Business Committee Announces COVID-19 Economic Support Program

TRIBAL MEMBER INFORMATION

Enrollment Number:

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 \$ ,000.00. Members under the age of 18 are eligible to receive two payments of \$50.00. 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.

Name:		
Mailing Address:		
Phone Number	Email:	

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
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OVID-RELATED HARDSHIPS AND EXPENSES. Please check <u>ALL</u> nergency hardships and financial impacts you have experienced due to the OVID-19 public health emergency (options continued on next page):				
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	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 and hards health emergency (attach a separate sheet if me			

#### 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

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Approved by:	
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# 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.

# September Scramble

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# September 2020 Word Match

Âmamôha Sweet corn Meshimîna Cranberry Mashkochîsa Cherry Mahkatêmina White corn Atâmina Gooseberry Wâpimina September Wîshkopimina Bean(s) Pôkimini Corn Kâwimina **Apple** Blackberry Pehkiwêhi

#### SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT HAPPENINGS & NEWS

September 2020 Âmamôha (Rutting Moon)

From the Sauk Language Department.

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

Also, the Sauk Language Department has three (3) downloadable, standalone language apps for both Android and iphones. Go to Google Play Store or itunes to get yours today and start learning Sauk..

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



#### September 2020 Quotes

When a white army battles Indians and wins, it is called a great victory, but if they lose it is called a massacre.

Cheeseekau, Shawnee (1760-1792)

One thing to remember is to talk to the animals. If you do, they will talk back to you. But if you don't talk to the animals, they won't talk back to you, then you won't understand, and when you don't understand you will fear, and when you fear, you will destroy the animals, and if you destroy the animals, you will destroy yourself.

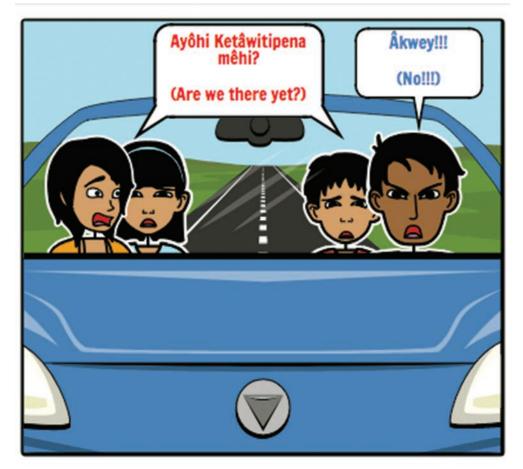
Chief Dan George, Tsliel-Waututh (1899-1981)

The land is sacred. These words are at the core of your being. The land is our Mother, the rivers our blood. Take our land away and we die. That is the Indian in us dies.

Mary Brave Bird, Lakota

## **September Comic**







## 'Speak: Speak While You Can' Exhibit Opens Sept. 4 at Living Arts of Tulsa

by Tony Tiger

'Speak: Speak While You Can' is the title of a new Indigenous art exhibition that explores the revitalization, resurgence and resiliency of Indigenous peo-

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ples of America, in their efforts to restore tribal languages. The exhibit focuses on the tribes of Oklahoma, however, many languages around the country are in jeopardy of vanishing from existence.

## **RAP Application Form Provided Here**

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Thanks to all those in the past who have worked and those now who continue to keep Indigenous languages alive! This exhibition is titled in the imperative to call tribal people to take interest in keeping indigenous languages alive.

'Speak: Speak While You Can' opens at Living Arts of Tulsa on September 4 through October 18, 2020. The exhibition has been curated by Sac and Fox tribal member Tony A. Tiger and co-curated with Bobby C. Martin (Muscogee Creek). Roy Boney Jr., a Cherokee language specialist and one the exhibition artists, has written a thought provoking exhibition statement that will be trans-

lated into tribal languages and displayed next to the English version.

The Sac and Fox Language Department and other tribal language programs have been a source of inspiration for the exhibition. I hope you will put on a mask, wash your hands and make your way to the Living Artists of Tulsa gallery while the exhibition is on display. Twenty seven artists representing over fifteen tribes will represent their tribal communities through art celebrating tribal languages.

Living Arts of Tulsa is located at 307 E. Reconciliation Way Tulsa, OK, please check the website for ticket availability. www.Livingarts.org



Sac and Fox artist Tony Tiger is pictured with 'A Contemplative Thought: My Grandmother's People' that is part of a new Indigenous art exhibition at Living Arts of Tulsa Sept. 4 through Oct. 18. (Photo courtesy of Tony Tiger)

# **September Word Search**

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# September 2020 Word List

Âmamôha September Meshimîna **Apple** Bean(s) Mashkochîsa Mahkatêmina Blackberry Atâmina Corn Wâpimina White corn Wîshkopimina Sweet corn Pôkimini Cranberry Kâwimina Gooseberry Pehkiwêhi Cherry

#### **Business Committee Meeting Minutes**

Please be advised that the following are official actions taken by the Business Committee in a Special Business Committee meeting held on July 14, 2019. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

- Resolution SF-20-165B, a resolution authorizing and approving the Black Hawk Health Center Policy: Behavioral Health Policies and Procedures. Jared A. King-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-166B, a resolution authorizing and approving the Black Hawk Health Center Policy: Security Camera Policy and Procedures. Jared A. King-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-167B, a resolution authorizing and approving the Black Hawk Health Center Policy: Flex Time Policy and Procedures. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent. Motion carried.
- 4) Resolution SF-20-168, a resolution authorizing and approving the Black Hawk Health Center Policy: Pandemic Response Policy and Procedures. Jared A. King-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 5) Resolution SF-20-169, a resolution authorizing and approving the Black Hawk Health Center Infection Prevention and Control Policy and Procedures. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- 6) Resolution SF-20-170, a resolution approving the submission of an application to the Department of Health and Human Services Indian Health Services Calendar Year 2021 Special Diabetes Program for Indians in the amount of Five Hundred Twenty Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$520,599.00). Jared A. King-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Treasurer-Yes. Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-171, a resolution approving the submission of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) Indian Housing Plan Amendment for Indian Housing Block Grant CARES Act (IHBG-CARES) formula allocation in the amount of Five Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-One Dollars (\$529,961.00). Jacklyn K. King-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Treasurer-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the job description for a temporary COVID-19 Shipping and Receiving Clerk. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent. Motion carried.
- Jared A. King motion to approve the job description for a temporary COVID-19 Receptionist. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried. Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 10) Jared A. King motion to approve the job description for a temporary COVID-19 Custodian. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve the job description for a temporary COVID-19 Entrance Screener. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- 12) Jared A. King motion to approve the job description for a Adult Protective Services (APS) Coordinator. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jared A. King motion to ratify Straw Poll for the Bill Rice Building Quit Claim Deed, located at 124 N. Cleveland Avenue, Cushing, OK 74023. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to approve Tribal Emergency Home Repair (T.E.H.R.) request, contract #2020-06-06. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jared A. King motion to approve MACCO pricing quote for face masks and hand sanitizer in the total amount of \$44,880.00. The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-172, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and Aislinn Munson, contract #2020-07-03. The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations Black Hawk Health Center Budget. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- 17) Resolution SF-20-173, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and Rickey Cline, contract #2020-07-05. The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations Black Hawk Health Center Budget. Jared A. Kingmotion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 18) Resolution SF-20-174, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and EST, Inc. for Engineering Services, contract #2020-07-01. The funding source is identified as the Black Hawk Health Center Third Party Billing Budget. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent. Motion carried.



Karen Hamilton or Nethia Wallace

**Shawnee Multi-Purpose Building** 

405-275-1262

## **Business Committee Meeting Minutes**

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

- Jared A. King motion to approve a Construction Consultant/Inspector renewal agreement for William Cecil Bernard for the Black Hawk Health Center Expansion. Contract #2018-03-03A.
   Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-175, a resolution approving the Calendar Year 2020 Special Diabetes Program for Indians Budget Modification #1 in the Total Amount of Six Hundred Seventy-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Eight Dollars (\$674,768.00). The funding source is identified as the Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Services, Special Diabetes Grant #HID4IHS0027-23-04. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 3) Resolution SF-20-176, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Sauk Language Fundraiser Budget Modification #1 in the total amount of Five Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$5,466.00). The funding source is identified as revenue from several years' sale of merchandise. Jared A. King-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent. Motion carried.
- 4) Resolution SF-20-177, a resolution authorizing the Calendar Year 2020 Department of Justice Tribal Victim Services Program (Court) Budget in the total funding amount of Two Hundred Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-One Dollars (\$208,631.00). Jacklyn K. King-motion. The funding source is identified as the Department of Justice Grant #2019-VO-GX-0117. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- Sesolution SF-20-178, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Department of Interior Compact Court Budget Modification #2 in the total funding amount of Two Hundred Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$218,870.00). The funding source is identified as the Department of Interior Self-Governance Compact Multi-Year 2018-2021 Funding Agreement, Fiscal Year 2019 Department of Interior Court Jury Trial Carryover, and prior year's carryover. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion Carried.
- Resolution SF-20-179, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Revenue Allocation Plan Maintenance Facilities and Grounds Department Budget Modification #2 in the total funding amount of One Hundred Eleven Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars 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. Jared A. King-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.
- 7) Resolution SF-20-180, a resolution approving the CARES Act COVID-19 General Assistance Budget in the total funding amount of Six Million Eight Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$6,877,500.00). The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 8) Resolution SF-20-181, a resolution approving the CARES Act Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations Budget in the total amount of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$116,000.00). The funding source is identified as CARES Act Appropriations. Jared A. King-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent. Motion carried.
- 9) Resolution SF-20-182, a resolution approving the Sauk Business Enterprise Board budget in the total amount of Sixty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$66,000.00). Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 10) Resolution SF-20-183, a resolution denying twenty (20) persons to the membership roll of the Sac and Fox Nation in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of the Sac and Fox Nation. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Absent, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- Jacklyn K. King motion to authorize Sole Sourcing justification due to time constraints in regards to Resolution SF-20-160. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Absent. Motion carried.

## **Business Committee Meeting Minutes**

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

- 1) Resolution SF-20-184, a resolution rescinding Resolution SF-20-163 that was approved June 26, 2020 in its entirety for authorizing and approving the Black Hawk Health Center COVID-19 Indian Health Services Budget. Jared A. King-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 2) Resolution SF-20-185, a resolution approving the Black Hawk Health Center COVID-19 Indian Health Services Budget in the total Amount of One Million Eight Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$1,825,177.00). The funding sources are identified as the Fiscal Year 2020 Indian Health Services Compact Funding Agreement with COVID-19 Supplemental CARES Act Funds. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.
- 3) Resolution SF-20-186, a resolution approving the CARES Act Appropriations Black Hawk Health Center Budget in the Total Funding Amount of One Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Ten Dollars (\$167,010.00). The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jared A. King-2nd. VOTE: Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent. Motion carried.
- 4) Resolution SF-20-187, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and Kyle Pacheco, contract #2020-07-08. The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations Black Hawk Health Center Budget. Jacklyn K. King-motion. Robert E. Williamson-2nd. VOTE: Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes. Motion carried.
- 5) Resolution SF-20-188, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and Cortney Edmonds, contract #2020-07-09. The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations Black Hawk Health Center Budget. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-189, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and Ben Bailey, contract #2020-07-06. The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations Black Hawk Health Center Budget. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Justin-Yes, Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes. Motion carried.
- 7) Resolution SF-20-190, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and Raiven Franklin, contract #2020-07-07. The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations Black Hawk Health Center Budget. Robert E. Williamson-motion. Jacklyn K. King-2nd. VOTE: Don-Absent, Jacklyn-Yes, Jared-Yes, Robert-Yes, Justin-Yes. Motion carried.



The Sac and Fox National
Public Library has used
paperbacks (and a few
hardbacks) for sale.
Paperbacks are three for \$1,
or 35 cents each.
Hardbacks are \$1 each.

## Veterans Honor Guard, Quilts of Valor Foundation Honor LCpl. Cheyenne Kauley

by Mike Brown

Sac and Fox Nation tribal member Cheyenne Kauley, of Shawnee, Okla., was recognized Aug. 19 for her military service by the Sac and Fox Nation Veterans Honor Guard and the Quilts of Valor

Foundation.

U. S. Marine Corps Lance Corporal Kauley is currently stationed in Cherry Point, NC after serving in the Middle East. She was in Oklahoma visiting family and friends on 10-day leave when she was honored at a gathering held in the pavilion at Jim Thorpe Memorial Park, adjacent to tribal headquarters.

Shelley Prewitt, a longtime member of the Quilts of Valor Foundation, presented LCpl. Kauley a special handmade quilt prepared by Prewitt. The foundation was established in 2003, and quilts are presented to military service members who have been touched by war. Prewitt said the quilts are considered by the foundation to be "a civilian Purple Heart."

LCpl. Kauley was also presented a blanket by the Sac and Fox Veterans

Honor Guard members Commander Sonny Masquat, Paul Wolfe, Curtis Wakolee and Austin Grant Jr.

During the presentation program, Tribal Drums performed The Veterans' Song,' and many in attendance took part in a 'Circle of Life' tribal dance. In addition to members of the Sac and Fox Veterans Honor Guard, those in attendance also included Sac and Fox Nation Princess Patience Longhorn and Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee Member Robert Williamson.



Quilts of Valor Foundation member Shelley Prewitt, left, speaks to honoree U.S. Marine Corps LCpl. Cheyenne Kauley. (All Photos by Mike Brown)



Sac and Fox Veterans Honor Guard Commander Sonny Masquat and Quilts of Valor Foundation member Shelley Prewitt display the quilt made by Prewitt as LCpl. Cheyenne Kauley looks on at right.

# SAC AND FOX TAX COMMISSION REVENUE

January 2020

Beer and Liquor	\$271.38
State Tobacco Rebate	\$278,598.37
Motor Vehicle	\$8,428.57
Sales Tax	\$16,548.69
Treasury	\$55.00
Oil and Gas	\$3.67
Gaming	\$103,081.44
TOTAL\$40	

#### September 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	2	3	4
	ELDERS ONLY	SHIPMENT	ELDERS ONLY	SHAWNEE HD
7 CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY	8 ELDERS ONLY	9	10	11 SHAWNEE HD
14 SHAWNEE LN 12 pm- 6 pm	15	16 SHIPMENT	17	18 SHAWNEE HD
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28 STROUD HD	29 CLOSED FOR INVENTORY	30 CLOSED FOR INVENTORY		

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

HOURS

 MONDAY - FRIDAY

 CERTIFICATION
 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

 STORE
 8:30 am - 2:30 pm

STORE AM INVENTORY 8:00 am - 8:30 am

STORE PM INVENTORY 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

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

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Many in attendance took part in a 'Circle of Life Dance' during the program honoring tribal member LCpl. Cheyenne Kauley.



Tribal Drums and Singers present 'The Veterans Song' during the presentation program.



Pictured front row L to R: Austin Grant, Jr., Elvis Ellis, USMC LCpl. Cheyenne D. Kauley, and Norwood "Sonny" Masquat Jr. Back row: Curtis "Dagwood" Wakolee, Antonio Kauley and LCpl. Kauley's father, David Kauley. (Photo by Kim Boone)

#### 2020 PER CAPITA PAYMENT INFORMATION

- Indiiv dual 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 receive d, it will be updated into our system and all payments due will be made at a time of disbursement.
- If an indiv dual 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 exe ptions.
- The IRS 1099 form will be mailed by a nuary 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.

#### <u>Minors</u>

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 delive red, mailed, or faxe d.

#### **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 etc. 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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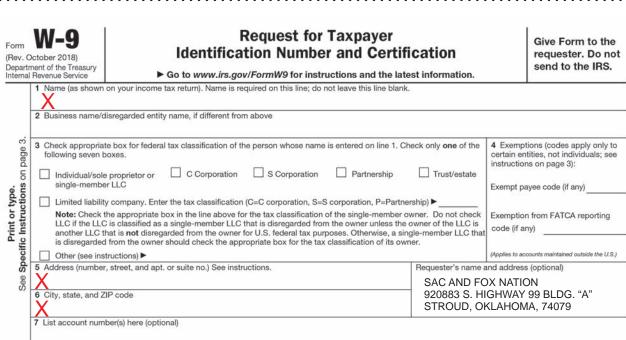
#### Why does a W-9 needed to be submitted yearly?

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.

or Employer identification		
Employer identification		
	number	

Social security number

#### 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, payments 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.

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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 numbe (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 alien), to provide your correct TIN.

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

# **Human Services Relief Program Guidelines and Application**

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 \$,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, de-
- crease 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

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

Name:		
Address:		
Phone Number:	Email:	
Enrollment Number:	Date of Bi	rth:
HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS separate sheet if more space is	S. Please list all members of your hneeded):	ousehold (attach a
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AMOUNT BEING REQUESTED:

**CERTIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS**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 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 hours due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- 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

FOR OFFICAL USE ONLY.
Date Received:
Household Income Documentation Received:
Reduction in Income Documentation Received:
Expense Documentation Received:
Approved Amount of Assistance:
Approved by:
Date:
Check Mailed On:

# **Business Relief Program Guidelines and Application**

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 \$,00 0.00 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

920963 S. Hwy 99 Stroud, OK 74079 coviddept@sacandfoxnation-nsn. gov





#### **COVID-19 Business Relief Program Application**

#### **BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Name of Business:
Address:
Phone Number: Email:
Name of Sac and Fox Tribal Member Business Owner:
Roll Number of Business Owner :
Please describe the ownership structure of the business (include ownership percentages, if applicable):
Did the business suspend operations due to the COVID-19 public health emergency?  Yes No Please list the dates business operations were suspended:
Did the business incur extra expenses due to the COVID-19 public health emergency that have not been reimbursed by another federal, state, or tribal program or business grant?  Yes No No
ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED. Please provide a brief description of the assistance you are requesting (attach a separate sheet if more space is needed):
AMOUNT BEING REQUESTED:

#### CERTIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

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
  I am otherwise ineligible to receive.

Signature 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
920963 S. Hwy 99
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 Recessed Special Business Committee Meeting held on the July 23, 2020. These actions are to be followed up by the appropriate departments.

- 1. Secretary Jacklyn King made a motion to appoint tribal member Colleen Longhorn to the Sac and Fox Nation Activity Committee effective immediately. Committee Member Robert Williamson seconded the motion. Vote: Second Chief Don Abney-absent, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes. Motion carried.
- 2. Resolution SF-20-191, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Indian Health Services Compact Budget Modification #2 in the total amount of Fifteen Millions 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. Treasurer Jared King made the motion. Committee Member Robert Williamson seconded the motion. Vote: Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-absent. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-192, a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Economic Development Budget in the total funding amount of Seventy Thousand Two Hundred Three Dollars (\$70,203.00). Secretary Jacklyn King made the motion. Treasurer Jared King seconded the motion. Vote: Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-absent, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes. Motion carried.
- 4. A request received from KUSH Radio Station of Cushing, Oklahoma was approved in a total amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be paid from the Charitable Donations line item. Secretary Jacklyn King made the motion. Treasurer Jared King seconded the motion. Vote: Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-absent, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes. Motion carried.
- 5. Resolution SF-20-193, a resolution establishing the Sac and Fox Nation COVID-19 Human Services Relief Program; Guidelines and Application. Committee Member Robert Williamson made the motion. Secretary Jacklyn King seconded the motion. Vote: Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-absent, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared Kingyes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes. Motion carried.
- 6. Resolution SF-20-194, a resolution establishing the Sac and Fox Nation COVID-19 Business Relief Program; Guidelines and Application. Treasurer Jared King made the motion. Secretary Jacklyn King seconded the motion. Vote: Second Chief Don Abney-absent, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes. Motion carried.
- 7. The COVID-19 Economic Support Program Application form was approved as presented. Secretary Jacklyn King made the motion. Committee Member Robert Williamson seconded the motion. Vote: Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-absent. Motion
- 8. Resolution SF-20-195, a resolution approving the National Congress of American Indians COVID-19 Response Fund Budget in the total amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). Purchasing of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will be administered by the Property and Procurement Department. The funding source is identified as the National Congress of American Indians grant award. Treasurer Jared King made the motion. Secretary Jacklyn King seconded the motion. Vote: Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-absent, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes. Motion carried.
- 9. Resolution SF-20-196, a resolution approving the CARES Act Court Budget in the total funding amount of Forty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Eight Dollars (\$42,858.00). The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations. Treasurer Jared King made the motion. Committee Member Robert Williamson seconded the motion. Vote: Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-absent, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes. Motion carried.
- Resolution SF-20-197, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation and Video Reality to upgrade the video system in the Tribal Court. The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations Court Budget. Treasurer Jared King made the motion. Committee Member Robert Williamson seconded the motion. Vote: Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-absent, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes. Motion carried.
- 11. Secretary Jacklyn King made a motion to approve the Tribal Court Sac and Fox Nation COVID-19 Response Policy and Procedure Acknowledgement form. Treasurer Jared King seconded the motion. Vote: Second Chief Don Abney-absent, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes. Motion carried.
- 12. Secretary Jacklyn King made a motion to approve the COVID-19 Relief Department Coordinator job description, a temporary position. Treasurer Jared King seconded the motion. Vote: Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamsonyes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-absent. Motion carried.
- 13. Committee Member Robert Williamson made a motion to approve the COVID-19 Relief Department Specialist job description, a temporary position. Secretary Jacklyn King seconded the motion. Vote: Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-absent, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes. Motion carried.
- 14. Committee Member Robert Williamson made a motion to approve the COVID-19 Relief Department Certified Public Accountant (CPA) job description, a temporary position. Treasurer Jared King seconded the motion. Vote: Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-absent, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes. Motion carried.

(Note: Second Chief Don Abney entered the meeting at 2:47 p.m.)

- 15. Resolution SF-20-198, a resolution approving the CARES Act Education Budget in the total funding amount of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$700,000.00). The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations. Committee Member Robert Williamson made the motion. Treasurer Jared King seconded the motion. Vote: Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-yes, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes. Motion carried.
- 16. Secretary Jacklyn King made a motion to approve the Sac and Fox Nation Education Department COVID-19 CARES Act Program Guidelines, Application and Equipment Waiver with revisions to include enrolled college students. Committee Member Robert Williamson seconded the motion. Vote: Second Chief Don Abney-yes, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared Kingyes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes. Motion carried.
- 17. Resolution SF-20-199, a resolution approving the CARES Act Relief Department Budget in the total funding amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00). The funding source is identified as the CARES Act Appropriations. Treasurer Jared King made the motion. Committee Member Robert Williamson seconded the motion. Vote: Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-yes. Motion carried.

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- 18. Resolution SF-20-200, a resolution authorizing and approving an agreement between the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center and Melody Nanaeto for projects associated with the oversight of the Telehealth Program. The funding source is identified as the COVID-19 Emergency Response Budget. Treasurer Jared King made the motion. Committee Member Robert Williamson seconded the motion. Vote: Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-yes, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes. Motion carried.
- 19. Secretary Jacklyn King made a motion to approve the COVID-19 Agricultural Relief Program Farm/Ranch Assistance application and revised press release. The funding source is identified as the Native American Agricultural Fund grant award. Committee Member Robert Williamson seconded the motion. Vote: Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-yes, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes. Motion carried.
- 20. Resolution SF-20-201, a resolution authorizing and approving an application to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to obtain a license for available 2.5 GHZ Spectrum to serve the Sac and Fox Nation. Committee Member Robert Williamson made the motion. Second Chief Don Abney seconded the motion. Vote: Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes, Second Chief Don Abney-yes, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes. Motion carried.
- 21. Committee Member Robert Williamson made a motion to approve the Sac and Fox Nation Black Hawk Health Center (Expansion) 100% Construction Document provided by Studio 45 Architects. Second Chief Don Abney seconded the motion. Vote: Second Chief Don Abney-yes, Secretary Jacklyn King-yes, Treasurer Jared King-yes, Committee Member Robert Williamson-yes, Principal Chief Justin Wood-yes. Motion carried.

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#### FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR) FY 2020 NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS (Effective October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020)

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 standard deduction.

#### 48 Contiguous United States:

**Use this Amount** 

Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard		SNAP Standard Deduction		FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,041	+	\$167	=	\$1,208
2	\$1,410	+	\$167	=	\$1,577
3	\$1,778	+	\$167	=	\$1,945
4	\$2,146	+	\$178	=	\$2,324
5	\$2,515	+	\$209	=	\$2,724
6	\$2,883	+	\$240	=	\$3,123
7	\$3,251	+	\$240	=	\$3,491
8	\$3,620	+	\$240	=	\$3,860
each additional member				\$369	

#### Alaska:

**Use this Amount** 

Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard		SNAP Standard Deduction		FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,300	+	\$286	=	\$1,586
2	\$1,761	+	\$286	=	\$2,047
3	\$2,222	+	\$286	=	\$2,508
4	\$2,683	+	\$286	=	\$2,969
5	\$3,144	+	\$286	=	\$3,430
6	\$3,605	+	\$300	=	\$3,905
7	\$4,065	+	\$300	=	\$4,365
8	\$4,526	+	\$300	=	\$4,826
ach additional member				\$461	

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#### FY 2020 FDPIR Income Deductions (see 7 CFR 253.6(e)) Effective October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020

Earned Income Deduction	Households with earned income are allowed a deduction of 20		
	percent of their earned income.		
<b>Dependent Care Deduction</b>	Households that qualify for the dependent care deduction are		
	allowed a deduction of actual dependent care costs paid monthly to a non-household member.		
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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:		
	related deduction amounts are as follows:		
	48 Contiguous U.S. States = \$194		
	Alaska by Area Designations		
	• Urban = \$238		
	• Rural 1= \$304		
	• Rural 2 = \$370		
	- Kultui 2 - \$570		
	See 7 CFR 272.7(b) for area designations in Alaska.		
Standard Shelter/Utility	Households that incur at least one monthly shelter or utility		
<b>Expense Deduction</b>	expense are allowed a standard income deduction (see chart		
Section • Section A 1000 Control to Section Control	below). Allowable shelter/utility expenses are provided at 7 CFR		
	273.9(d)(6)(ii).		

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#### FY 2020 FDPIR Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deductions Effective October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020

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.

# Sac and Fox Nation Receives \$49,645.00 Grant to Survey Historic Sites

The Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee is pleased to announce the Sac and Fox Nation was awarded a grant from the Underrepresented Community Grant Program. The grant program is funded by the Historic Preservation Fund, and administered by the National Park Service and the U.S. Department of

The Underrepresented Community Grant Program focuses on documenting the homes, lives, landscapes, and experiences of underrepresented peoples who played a significant role in national history. The Sac and Fox Nation was awarded \$9,645.00 to survey and inventory Sac and Fox sites for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

The National Park Service awarded a total of \$50,000 in Underrepresented Community Grants to support the identification and nomination of sites to the National Register of Historic Places. Grants were awarded to help fund 18 projects to eight states, six tribes, two local governments, the District of Columbia, and the Federated States of Micronesia. The Sac and Fox Nation was the sole FY 2019 grantee located in Oklahoma.

"We thank the National Park Service and the Department of the Interior for this important grant. These funds will allow the Sac and Fox Nation to conduct critical work surveying historical Sac and Fox sites," said Principal Chief Justin F. Wood. "These sites are important to our people, but are also important to our national history. This grant is a necessary tool to protect historical sites of underrepresented communities. The Sac and Fox Nation will continue to preserve our about the project may be addressed to history so future generations may benefit from it." Public questions and concerns

Chris Boyd, Sac and Fox Nation: (918) 968-3526.



## **Did You Know?**

by Juaqi n Hamilton,Sac and Fox Ambassador/Historical Researcher

In 1976, tribal member, Delano Franklin won an Art Contest that was held among Sac and Fox tribal members to create an emblem to be used as an official emblem of the Sac and Fox Nation of Oklahoma.

On September 30, 1983, a regular Business Committee meeting was held in which elected officials approved and adopted the artist's depiction of the Black Hawk emblem as the official emblem of the Sac and Fox Nation of Oklahoma. (Resolution SF 83-87)

His nephew, Sac and Fox tribal Member, Randall Riley would approve and authorize the use of Franklin's Black Hawk emblem by the Sac and Fox Nation. This has been the official seal and emblem for Kisko group.

the nation ever since.

The bird is a representation of Ma-katai-me-she-kia-kiak "Black Hawk", Our great Sauk war leader who defended his people and lead the campaign which later became known as The Black Hawk war of 1832. Above the bird is a ribbon strip displaying his Sauk name. The Olympic rings honor tribal member Jim Thorpe who won gold medals at the 1912 Olympic Games held in Stockholm, Sweden.

The four coat of arms on the breast plate are the symbols of the four nations we allied with: Great Britain, The United States of America, France and Spain. The colors black and white represent the two social classes whose memberships are determined by birth order. Black represents the Oskush group and white the

# **McGirt Ruling**

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the authority for states to assume jurisdiction over any Indian country within a

In 1977, Caddo County authorities prosecuted an Indian for the murder of his father, an Indian, on a Kiowa Indian allotment. The defendant challenged Oklahoma's authority.

The federal court ruled that, under of Public Law 83-280. Oklahoma could have unilaterally assumed jurisdiction over any "Indian country" within its borders at any time between 1953 and 1968 had the Oklahoma Constitution been amended as required. After the enactment of Title IV in 1968 Oklahoma had to amend its constitution and the affected tribes had to consent to the State's assumption of jurisdiction over them before the State could acquire jurisdiction over "Indian country."

The state appellate court found that the lands upon which the homicide occurred as Indian land, and the state was without jurisdiction to prosecute the defendant. The state case was dismissed. The land was Indian country pursuant to 18U.S.C.§ 151 (c).

In 1979, Kay County, officials charged an Indian juvenile, C.M.G., for the killing of another Indian juvenile at the Chilocco Indian School. The court found that the property was a "dependent Indian community" under 18 U.S.C. § 151 (b). State charges were dismissed.

The McGirt and the Sharp v Murphy decisions confirm and recognize the Muscogee (Creek) reservation for criminal purposes under 18 U.S.C. § 151 (a).

From 1907 to 1977, state-wide incursions by the prosecution of Indian defendants on Indian lands went unfettered and unchallenged. Federal authorities abdicated their responsibilities and state officials did not recognize the status of Indian lands.

After each successful challenge to the state's prosecutions, the state outcry was alarmist in nature. Unhappy that the courts were ruling that Oklahoma lacked

authority to prosecute Indians for crimes on Indian lands, baseless claims of law enforcement chaos and lawlessness were made. After each court decision, the state asked Congress to overrule the courts, authorize Oklahoma to have increased authority over Indians and to legislatively "fix the Indian problem." The law has remained the same; it has only changed in the minds of a few men.

After each court decision, Congress did the right thing by doing nothing. Federal, state, tribal and local law authorities serve the entire public best by working more closely together in their shared responsibilities. Existing state-tribal law enforcement agreements are working well in practice. Updated law enforcement training is available.



Truman Carter

The above article was written and submitted for publication in the Sac and Fox News by Truman Carter, the founder and owner of Indian Country Law Center in Shawnee, Okla.

## - Letter to Editor -

Aug. 20, 2020 To the Editor:

On July 19, 2003 the SAC and Fox Governing Council (GC) approved a Resolution creating the Sac and Fox Gaming Enterprise Board. Resolution SF/GC-03-08, established the 2003 Enterprise Act and the approval for a corporation to be managed by Enterprise Board members that are directly responsible to the GC for oversight of any and all gaming and non-gaming economic development ac-

The Sac and Fox Nation's Business Enterprise Act of 2003 specifically gives control authority to GC, validates the appointment of Board members, and limits outside interference from the Business Committee (BC).

But, over the years the BCs have taken total control of gaming and economic development management by passing BC Resolutions that the BC members say have more authority than Resolutions from the GC. The results of the BC's actions are the opposite of the intent of the 2003 Enterprise Act. Our BCs have created their own economic development corporation and their own businesses without discussion, input, or approval by the GC.

Although the GC passed Resolution SF/GC-08-05 in 2008, which returns control of the Enterprise Board to the GC, the BC continues to ignore this GC Resolution and enforces its own Resolution, SF-10-144, the 2010 Enterprise Act.

These have been actions of past BCs that were not transparent in published minutes of the BC meetings and are never agenda items at GC meetings. So we know very little about the documents that the BC Resolutions have created.

The BC should take the time at our GC meeting to explain how they can legally avoid enforcing GC Resolutions, such as Resolution SF/GC-08-05. At the same time, the BC should advise the GC what their commitment will be to enforce any new GC Resolutions.

> John Nelson roll # 174 1512 Eagle Lane Oklahoma City, Okla. 73127 Pho: 405 508-1624

## **COVID-19 TESTING CLINIC**

### **STARTING JULY 20, 2020**

Location:

Sac and Fox Nation **Community Building** 

When:

Monday thru Friday 9am-12pm and 1pm-2:30pm Daily

#### \* \* \* PHOTO IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED \* \* \*

- · Testing will be provided in a "Drive Thru" format, please remain in vehicle.
- Available to patients with an active medical record at Black Hawk Health Center.
- NOTE: If you do not have an active medical record, contact Patient Registration at (918) 968-9531.





Sac and Fox Nation Sac and Fox Casino Sac and Fox Language Program Sac and Fox Dept. of Human Services Sac and Fox National Public Library

#### **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.