



## GRIC Honors National Purple Heart Day

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Gila River Indian News

On Aug. 7, the Veterans Family Services Office (VFSO) recognized the Gila River Indian Community's Purple Heart recipients at the District 5 - Vah Ki (Casa Blanca) Multipurpose Building.

The Purple Heart military medal is presented to service members who have been wounded or killed in action. It is the oldest active military decoration, originally established on August 7, 1782 as the Badge of Military Merit.

The event, a tribute to National Purple Heart Day, was a solemn yet proud occasion. It was a moment to honor the bravery of 74 GRIC veterans, five of whom were present. Among them, Gary Rodriguez, Pete Jackson, Bruce Hutchinson, David Molina, and Fernando Mendez. The names of the 64 deceased veterans were also recognized and read aloud followed by a moment of silence. Families in attendances were also recognized for their loved ones' bravery.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and Lt. Gov. Regina Antone, in a gesture of the community's unwavering support, presented the

members with a challenge coin and sash. The Gila River Police Department, also paid tribute to the recipients for their service.

"Having events like this one is an honor for the veterans to be recognized, to wear their sash and medal proudly for their commitment and service," said Lt. Gov. Antone, who gave her remarks in the greeting.

Eric White, coordinator of VFSO, said these events are significant for veterans, "It is important to honor our members; that's why we are currently working for the next months to set up signs in each district to honor this [Purple Heart] medal."

In August 2022, the Gila River Indian Community was designated a "Purple Heart Community" by the Military Order of the Purple Heart - Department of Arizona (MOPH-Dept. of AZ). The MOPH-Dept. of AZ is part of a national organization for combat-wounded veterans.

Gov. Lewis's closing statements followed the awards: "I'm thankful to all the family members and recipients. Over 70 individuals sacrificed themselves in service. It makes me proud that the Purple Heart now runs through the Gila River Community."

Any questions regarding fu-



L-R: Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Gary Rodriguez, Pete Jackson, Bruce Hutchinson, David Molina, Fernando Mendez, Lt. Gov. Regina Antone, and VFSO Coordinator Eric White. Emma Hughes/GRIN

ture events or veterans support services, you can reach out to VSFO: 520-562-5148 / Office Hours: 8am to 5pm (Monday - Friday) Office is closed on specific holidays and is located at 264 S. Bluebird Rd, Sacaton, Ariz.

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## First Annual Akimel O'odham Pee Posh Elder Chair Volleyball Tournament



2024 Silver Champions Once Wild along with Lt. Gov Regina Antone, Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Miss Gila River Susanna Osife, and Jr. Miss Gila River Shayla Davis. Photo Courtesy of Joseph Morales

Joseph Morales  
GRIN Intern

Elders from the Gila River Indian Community and other tribal communities throughout the

country gathered to compete in the first annual Akimel O'odham Pee Posh Invitational Elder Chair Volleyball Tournament, hosted by the Community's Tribal Recre-

ation & Wellness Program at Gila River Resorts & Casinos - Wild Horse Pass, from July 24-26.

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## Robotics Team Competes for National Awards in Maryland



Skyline Gila River students compete in the 2024 International SeaPerch Challenge at the University of Maryland. Photo Courtesy of Skyline Gila River

Submitted by  
Skyline Gila River

Nine students from Skyline Gila River put its name on the map and to a high standard after competing for the first time ever in the 2024 International SeaPerch Challenge, held May 31 to June 1 at the University of Maryland-College Park.

This is unprecedented for the Gila River Indian Community and is the first time the Community has been in this International Challenge, an opportunity these students have been eagerly working on for months.

SeaPerch is a remotely operated vehicle (ROV), a competi-

tion, and a community. The program guides students on building underwater robots while providing educators with tools and training to assist them in the process.

In April, these students qualified to compete in SeaPerch after excelling in performance and winning first place in the High School division and second place in Middle School division at the 'I Rise Foundation' Regional in Chandler, Ariz.

The team also demonstrated itself to be the fastest team in the pool, granting them a spot in the SeaPerch International Challenge.

SeaPerch coordinators in-

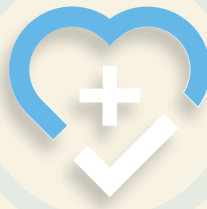
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# GRIC Urban Members Association Celebrates 25 Years

**Roberto A. Jackson**  
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The GRIC Urban Members Association partied like it's 1999 to commemorate their 25th Anniversary on July 27 at the Shelde Building.

GRIC UMA hosted 150 urban members and special guests for a celebration of laughs, memories and wishes for the future in their mission to serve Community members who reside off the reservation.

"The event was a blend of honoring the past, celebrating the present, and looking forward to the future, fostering a sense of pride and unity within the community," said Mocha De Los Santos, GRIC UMA Chairwoman.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and Lt. Gov. Regina Antone attended with Community Council Representatives Duane Jackson, Jr., District 1; Joseph Manuel, Jr., District 3; Leah Williams, District 4; and Gordon Santos, Jr., District 5.

"The presence of the council showed our leaders are deeply committed to and supportive of the UMA's mission and accomplishments. It also fostered unity and helped strengthen the bond between the community members and their leaders, promoting a sense of unity and shared purpose," said De Los Santos of GRIC tribal leadership.

Gov. Lewis thanked all the guests for supporting UMA, including past board members and Community Council. He also acknowledged the current board members who provide services to



L-R: Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Community Council Rep. Duane Jackson Jr., Community Council Rep. Leah Williams, GRIC Urban Members Association Officers & Staff, Community Council Rep. Joseph Manuel Jr., and Community Council Rep. Gordon Santos Jr. Roberto A. Jackson/CPAO

Community members all over the country.

"You have a great board," said Gov. Lewis.

Gov. Lewis praised UMA for educating its members on the history of the association.

"It's important to remember that history – 25 years, that's so important."

Precious Vicente provided the blessing, Achem A'al performed basket dances and comedian Wolf Brown entertained the audience before the meal.

GRIC UMA provided each guest with a promotional gift bag, which included information on the history of the urban members

association.

"On July 7, 1999, the Gila River Indian Community Urban Members Association was formally approved and recognized by the Gila River Indian Community Council," according to UMA.

Although the Community officially recognized UMA in 1999, the UMA charter members started their fight for an association two years prior in 1997.

Lt. Gov. Antone said she was proud to attend the event and said she understands what difficulties they have. "We're all Community members," she said of all tribal members as a whole.

Each board member introduced themselves and offered remarks. In addition to De Los Santos, the board is Vice-Chair Marie Enos, Secretary Emma Aguillon, Treasurer Ron Porter, Member Kristin Nelson and Administrative Assistant Toni Rubio.

"It's easy to overlook the challenges that urban communities encounter, often hidden from the public eye. Yet, we consistently come together to support one another in the best way possible, and this association remains at the heart of that collective effort," said De Los Santos.

# Road work continues on SR 87 & Skousen

**Joseph Morales**  
GRIN Intern

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) began a project to improve traffic flow and safety at the intersection of State Route (SR) 87 and Skousen Road northwest of Coolidge near District 1 - Blackwater.

Reconstruction of the intersection will add traffic signals, new lighting, and turning lanes. SR 87 west of Skousen Road will allow right turns onto Skousen. Both directions of the road will feature new left-turning lanes for vehicles turning onto SR 87, according to coolidgeaz.com road/maintenance.

Motorists can expect temporary signal lights and one lane of travel in each direction for the time being. Other safety precautions include reduced speed signs and law enforcement assisting traffic control.

Construction schedule changes and delays may occur but is expected to take place from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. The project is expected to be completed in January 2025.

For more information and updates, please visit the ADOT project website at azdot.gov/route87-skousen-project



Sign reminds motorists to use caution while road work and construction takes place along State Route 87. Photo Courtesy of Joseph Morales



Temporary traffic signals have been placed at the intersection of State Route 87 & Skousen road. Photo Courtesy of Joseph Morales

# Third Round of CASA Volunteers Sworn In

**Emma Hughes**  
Gila River Indian News

On July 25, three dedicated individuals took an oath to serve as Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for children in the foster care system in a ceremony held at the Gila River Community Courts.

Last year, the Gila River Indian Community became the first tribal community in the state to be CASA certified. CASA is a national program that recruits, trains, and supports volunteers to advocate for the best interests of children in the foster care system. CASAs are assigned to individual cases and work closely with the court to ensure every child receives the care and support they need.

Gloria Osife, Kelsey Martinez, and Jessica Anderson, all from diverse professional backgrounds,



**L-R: Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Kelsey Martinez, Jessica Anderson, Gloria Osife, and Children's Court Judge Kami Hart.** Emma Hughes/GRIN

have now officially joined the ranks of those who advocate for the rights and well-being of some of the

Community's most vulnerable members.

The newly appointed advocates recently completed an intensive 30-hour training program designed to equip them with the knowledge and skills needed to advocate for children navigating the complex child welfare system effectively.

Each of them will be assigned to work with a child or sibling group, ensuring that their voices are heard and their needs are met as they move through the legal process.

Gloria Osife, District 3, brings a wealth of experience as a retired court

clerk to the Community, which has instilled in her a deep understanding of the importance of stability and support in a child's life.

"I made the decision to be a volunteer to be able to advocate for the children," Osife said, "Some of them don't have a voice, or nobody listens to them; being an advocate, I would be the one to speak for them and make recommendations for the best interest of the child."

Kelsey Martinez, District 3, former Miss Gila River 2022-2023 and a longtime Community volunteer, has always been passionate about working

with children.

"In my previous job, I was working very closely with children, and it ties into the platform I had while I was Miss Gila River, 'implementing traditional teachings into living healthy lifestyles,'" she shared, expressing her eagerness to begin this new chapter of advocacy.

Jessica Anderson, District 3, decided to become a CASA after learning about the program through an email from Banda, who was seeking volunteers in the Community. With a background in Communications with the Gila River Police Department, Ander-

son is determined to use her skills to ensure every child can thrive.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, CASA Coordinator Sharon Banda, Children's Court Judge Kami Hart, and family members of the new CASA volunteers attended the ceremony.

Judge Hart, who presided over the swearing-in, remarked on the vital role that CASAs play in the court system.

As CASAs, Osife, Martinez, and Anderson will have the unique opportunity to significantly influence the lives of children who have been removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect.

They will work closely with legal professionals, social workers, and families to gather information, make recommendations to the court, and help guide the children through their journey in the foster care system.

The CASA program relies heavily on Community volunteers and is always in need of more advocates. There are currently eight CASAs, with five being GRIC members, according to Banda. Volunteers undergo an extensive background check, references, and interview, followed by training. If you want to become a CASA or learn more about the program, please contact Sharon Banda at (520) 562-9860 ext. 9928.



**Jessica Anderson is joined by her family as she is sworn in as a newly Court-Appointed Special Advocate.** Emma Hughes/GRIN

# GILA RIVER

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SEPTEMBER 12, 2024 • DISTRICT 4

- Red/Blue Ramada (Park): 9am-1pm

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formed us that they are the first all-Native American team to compete in the event. The SeaPerch program at Skyline Gila River began last year as a class project. However, this is the first year that students get the opportunity to compete regionally and internationally.

At the 2024 International SeaPerch Challenge, students complete two tasks: one on land, and one in the pool. On land, teams show off their engineering skills through technical papers and presentations. In the pool, they navigate their SeaPerch ROV through a series of obstacles inspired by the real world that tests maneuverability, control, and utility.

The team learned from the best of the world. They practiced their networking skills by connecting with competitors from Puerto Rico, Taiwan, Macau, China, Egypt, New Zealand, UAE, and from other US states.

They are currently working on a Real-World Innovation Project relevant to GRIC. The team learned about Governor Lewis' vision of water settlement in the Community and the importance of water storage and riparian ecosystem restoration along the Gila River, serving as an example of community resilience and autonomy.

This innovation project challenges teams to explore real-world applications for underwater ROVs and invites them to identify a real-world issue and design a SeaPerch ROV to address it.

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<b>12</b> THURS	<i>Session 2</i> 2 pm - 4 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Problem-Solving</li> <li>Support Network</li> <li>New Recipes</li> </ul>
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<b>26</b> THURS	<i>Session 4</i> 2 pm - 4 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create Your Plate</li> <li>Identify Patterns</li> <li>Promotional Items</li> </ul>

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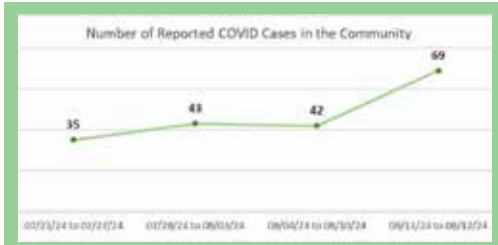
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Follow your medical provider's instructions and quarantine for specified amount of time.
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# FITNESS & WELLNESS

## Fuerza Volleyball Club Hosts Clinic in District 2

**Joseph Morales**  
GRIN Intern

On July 12, the Fuerza Volleyball Club held a summer clinic at the District 2-Hashan Kek service center.

Mario Molina founded the club along with his two daughters. It is a non-profit organization with volunteer coaches. The volleyball club recently restarted two years ago in 2022, after the COVID-19 pandemic caused the club to take a hiatus.

Coach Molina stated, "We recently started back up again two years ago; before that, we stopped because of COVID, and recently, we just got the urge to start back up again." Since its return, the club has shown consistent growth.

Three teams were created when the Fuerza Volleyball Club was first established two years ago. However, since then, they have added two more teams, making it a total of five youth teams for their club. Molina stated, "We have long club seasons, but it's good to show the girls different teams across the state and to have them travel more."

The clinic in District 2 was really built on the idea of showcasing these opportunities to the Gila River



Participants practice drills during the clinic hosted by Fuerza Volleyball on July 12. Photo Courtesy of Joseph Morales

Indian Community girls' youth. The agenda was filled from the morning until late afternoon. It started with a light warm-up and stretching session for the girls before getting into basic drills.

Cherish Napelee of District 3 - Sacaton just finished her first year with the club and was one of the players on the 18's team helping in the clinic. She first touched on her experience with the club; she stated, "The experience has been really good; I got to travel a lot. I went to Hawaii and tried something different because it's mainly basketball out here." I asked her about the importance of having a clinic like

this in the Community, and she stated, "The clinic is really cool; we get to show the girls something different and show them things outside the community."

The clinic had many youths show up and take part. The club expected a rough estimate of around 32-38 girls to show up. It allowed them to showcase something new for girls interested in volleyball and ended with a t-shirt giveaway for all who participated.

Any girls interested in the upcoming club season can reach out directly on Instagram at fuerzavolleyball.



Fuerza Volleyball hosts clinic in the District 2 Service Center gym on July 12. Photo Courtesy of Joseph Morales

## GRIC Receives \$20,000 Donation from Dick's Sporting Goods Foundation



The Gila River Indian Community is presented with a donation from Dick's Sporting Goods Foundation during the It's Her Shot event on July 21. Emma Hughes/GRIN

**Emma Hughes**  
Gila River Indian News

On July 21, Nike and Dick's Sporting Goods hosted the 'It's Her Shot' event, bringing together young female athletes from the Community and around the Valley, ages 8-18, for a day of basketball skills clinics, games, and more. The event was held at Inspire Courts AZ in Gilbert, coinciding with the WBNA All-Star weekend.

During the event, the Gila River Indian Community was recognized and presented with a \$20,000 check from the Dick's Sporting Goods Foundation to provide and enhance sports for youth in the Community.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and Talia Apkaw, District 4, along with Community youth, were present to accept the donation on behalf of the Community.

"It was just an amazing gift," said Gov. Lewis, "Just to see our young ladies out there with some of the best ballers at the Inspire Courts was great for them, to be able to get one-on-one coaching as well as coaching from the skills group."

Apkaw has been playing basketball throughout her life and now coaches the Community team O'odham Hu'u.

"I hope that it goes towards the youth and the Community and mostly focuses towards sports or basketball in particular," said Apkaw.

Elliot Kisto is just one of three coaches for the girls' team BTB, also from the Community, who attended the event with two team players. They had the chance to participate in the day's events.

"I love it. I wish there were more of our kids out here, but it's a great experience," said Kisto. "They have a lot of good things around, and a lot of people help to encourage them."



Youth learn new basketball skills at the It's Her Shot event. Emma Hughes/GRIN



Young athletes engage in group and individual drills on July 21. Emma Hughes/GRIN

# ★ VETERANS ★ ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis presents veteran Gary Rodriguez with a Purple Heart sash.** Emma Hughes/GRIN



**Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Vietnam veteran Bruce Hutchinson (Army) and Lt. Gov. Regina Antone.** Emma Hughes/GRIN



**Lt. Gov. Regina Antone, Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, and Vietnam veteran David Molina (Army).** Emma Hughes/GRIN



**Lt. Gov. Regina Antone presents a challenge coin to the family of the late Ernie Bread.** Emma Hughes/GRIN



## Gila River Indian Community is a Purple Heart Community

Gila River Indian Community recognizes and honors the service and sacrifice of our nation's men and women who were wounded or killed while service to protect the freedoms enjoyed by our communities and nations.

<p>Matthew B. Juan, D3, WWI - US Army          Arnold F Allison, D5, WWII - US Army          Robert E Allison, D4, WWII - US Marines          Leonard Antone, D2, WWII/POW - US Army          Richard Antone, D4, WWII - US Army          Willscott Antone, D6, WWII - US Army          Levi Emerson, WWII          Abraham Enos, D6, WWII - US Army          Leslie Enos, D3, WWII - US Army          Perry De Lowe, D6, WWII - US Army          Bernard Franklin, D6, WWII - US Army          Willard Hayes, D5, WWII          Robert Gresham, D6, WWII - US Army          Alfred Jackson Jr., D3, WWII - US Army          Charles M Johnson, D3, WWII - US Army          Clarence Ruben Johnson, D1, WWII - US Army          Joseph Jones Sr., D3, WWII - US Army          Anthony Jose, D5, WWII - US Army          Gerald Juan, D1, WWII - US Army</p>	<p>Antonio Haskell, D1, WWII - US Army          Richard N Laws, D3, WWII - US Army          William Lewis, D5, WWII - US Army          Clyde Matthews, WWII          David Milda, D4, WWII - US Army          David Miles, D6, WWII - US Army          Joshua Morris, D6, WWII - US Marines          Jay Morago, D4, WWII - US Army          Johnston Peters, D6, WWII - US Army          Felix N Porter Jr., Phoenix, WWII - US Marines          Herman Setoyant          Leander S Shelde, D6, WWII - US Army          Samuel Thomas, D1, WWII - US Army          Turner Smith, WWII          Joe Tery, D4, WWII - US Marines          Coyd Hughes Thomas, D6, WWII - US Army          Austin Yarmata, D7, WWII - US Army          Samuel Thomas, D1, WWII - US Army          Wilfred Marvin Brown, D5, Korea - US Army          Lawrence Enos, D6, Korea - US Marines          Johnson McAfee Jr., D6, Korea - US Marines          Harry Miguel, D5, Korea - US Army          Lloyd Miguel, D5, Korea - US Army          Chester Miles Sr., D5, Korea - US Marines          Richard Milda Jr., D5, Korea - USMC/ Air force          Leonard White, D5, Korea - US Army          Edgar Acunia, D6, Vietnam - US Marines          Donald Antone, D1, Vietnam - US Marines          Edison Antone Jr., D1, Vietnam - US Marines</p>	<p>Dudney N Arlentino, D1, Vietnam - US Army          Dwight Blackwater, D1, Vietnam - US Army          Gregory Chiago, Phoenix, Vietnam - US Army          Leroy Davis, D5, Vietnam - US Army          Leland Evans, D1, Vietnam - US Army          Harlen B. Jackson, D4, Vietnam - US Marines          Fredrick Leo Juan, D3, Vietnam - US Army          Harold Marrietta, D3, Vietnam - US Army          Porfido "Gavy" Molina, D1, Vietnam - US Army          David D Perkins, D1, Vietnam - US Army          Franklin D Pete Jr., D3, Vietnam - US Army          Benedict P Thomas, D1, Vietnam - US Marines          Ernie Bread, D6, Vietnam - US Army          Wilbur Evans, D6, Vietnam - US Marines          Billy B Farris, D5, OIF - US Army          Joe M Jackson, Washington, OEF - US Marines</p> <p><b>Living Purple Heart Recipients</b>          David Molina, D1, Vietnam - US Army          Bruce Hutchinson, D6, Vietnam - US Army          Van Johnson, D2, Vietnam - US Army          Pete Jackson, D5, Vietnam          Fernando Mendez, D4, Vietnam - US Army          Kenneth Morgan, D1, Vietnam - US Marines          Gary Rodriguez, D1, OIF - US Marines          Everette Stone, D4, Vietnam - US Marines          Jason Greeley, GRIC PD          Frank H. Lewis, California, Vietnam 69-71-72 - US Army</p>
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## Veteran & Family Services Assists with Military Discharge Papers

### Submitted by

Veteran & Family Services Office

Most know them as DD214s. This document shows the date military service started and the date it ended. It shows the jobs that were assigned for individuals to fulfill while serving their country. Each person's DD214 is a window into the military life and history of the person named on the document.

The character of discharge (Honorable, General, etc) is shown on most copies of the document. The bottom right corner shows the Member copy number. Not all copies contain the same information.

The DD214 can be used for many things. It can authorize military bur-

ial Honors for the Veteran when being laid to rest. Most discharges authorize a flag to be presented to a family member or loved one. Military Honors also include the playing of Taps and a military rifle salute. The DD214 is required for ordering the military headstone or marker. There is no cost to the family for the flag or the headstone/marker.

There may possibly be a VA benefit for a surviving spouse. VFSSO can assist with the paperwork. Having a DD214 on file makes it easier for the VFSSO to determine if the spouse is eligible for any benefits and to assist with applying for eligible benefits.

Do you know where your DD214 is located?

Does your family know where it is located?

The Veteran and Family Services Office can retain a copy of your DD214 so that your family is not stressed trying to locate it to ensure you receive the military honors you have earned and deserve! We can assist the family with ordering the headstone/marker.

If you do not have your DD214 or cannot locate it, we can assist with ordering a new one. Please make an appointment or come into the office and we can assist with getting a copy of it. It takes approximately 30 days to receive once the request is submitted.

If you reside outside the GRIC, VFSSO can still retain a copy of your

DD214 for you. Another option is to have the DD214 recorded at your local County Office. There should be no charge to have it recorded and no charge if you need to obtain a copy from them.

**Veteran and Family Services Office** 520-562-9704

Peer Support Specialist Wesley Rhodes -520-610-4383

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## A Veteran's Reflection and Honoring the Fallen

### Submitted by

Gary Anderson, Sr.

As I sit here at today's ceremony for Purple Heart Recipients, I can't help but realize that we have come a long way as veterans in the past years.

In June of 2016 Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis held a Veterans summit. During the summit he announced that he would support a veteran service office, but the veterans must do it for themselves. Four Community veterans took up this challenge as volunteers: Maj. Urban Giff, MSG David White, SSG Anthony Newkirk, and myself, MSG Gary Anderson. We were assisted by the Community Manager at the time, Ms. Pamela Thompson a Blue Star Daughter, Blue Star Sister and a proud Blue Star Mother.

Many helped with input, we worked weekdays, weekends, and holidays. We visited other veteran facilities, attended a conference, and by the end of the year, we submitted our proposal to Community Council. Today, the Veterans and Family Service Office (VFSSO) is our dream.

It is the second Veteran Service office in Indian Country to be certified by the VA, and our Community has been recognized as a Purple Heart Community, an honor that we literally paid for in blood.

VFSSO has identified 25 of our Community members that have been killed in action. From WWI to present. We placed the word 'family' in the title of the VFSSO, because the office is there for the families also. I personally know of two cases that the VFSSO have assisted Community members with the docu-

mentation to apply for military headstones for their grandfathers who served in WWI.

The Veteran's office has increased the quality of life for many of our veterans by empowering them with the knowledge of benefits, assisting in the filing for disability ratings, allowing for disability payments for injuries sustained while in service, and enrolling veterans in the VA Health care system. Many veterans may qualify for services that they are not aware of, as a veteran, I urge you to check out our Community's Veteran and Family Services Office.

While serving on the VFS committee, I discovered an award that was created in May 2016, by the Arizona State Legislature, the Arizona Gold Star Medal. This award was created to recognize the families of the service members who were killed in combat.

In 2016, I partnered with St. Peters Indian Mission, and we created a program that has grown over the years. The program is called 'St. Peters Run for the Fallen', it comprises of three events combined into one.

Run for the Fallen is a national run and for Arizona the event this year it will take place 1 Nov. 1, 2024 and begins in Tucson. It is a three-day run from Tucson to Phoenix, each mile marker along the way is a designated hero marker. Each mile represents a service member who has been killed in combat from 9/11 to present. Gila River has two Hero Markers: Billy Farris and Joe Jackson.

Taking the same concept, St. Peters Run for the Fallen, allows students to run to honor our 25 com-

bat losses in the Gila River Indian Community, the cost of freedom one step at a time. After the ceremony honoring the fallen, students run a mile and consider the cost of freedom, guests are encouraged to walk the mile.

The second portion of the event is student led, the Military Appreciation class presents the colors. Last year's ceremony featured special guest Arizona Governor Katie Hobbs, who was so impressed with these students and insisted having a photo with them. The student body will then lead with the National Anthem, in English then in O'odham, same with the pledge of allegiance. Students honor the families with traditional song and dance. Things that were not allowed to be done or practiced in school in the past. The last portion of the ceremony is the awarding of the Arizona Gold Star Medal.

To date, St. Peters has awarded 12 Arizona Gold Star Medals to the families of those Community members: one from WWI, Korea - three, Vietnam - seven, Iraq - one, and Afghanistan - one; but has honored all 13 members. Andrew Antone presented the Perkins family of Blackwater the AGSM as a service project bringing the total to 13 AGSM awarded to the families of Gila River.

There are two requirements that must be met for the State to issue the AGSM, the next of Kin must be identified with official documentation. Gila River's Enrollment Department has worked extensively to identify the families. If you have received a letter identifying you as the next of kin, it is not a mistake. Ms. Shelia

Valenzuela, Director of the Enrollment Department, has researched our records and has positively identified the next of kin. Please allow us to recognize your family's contribution to our freedom.

Military documentation, the state requires casualty report. The report must show fatality, and state of residency. To accomplish this, I request military documentation from the National Personnel Records Center. Unfortunately, in 1973, there was a fire that affected the records of the U.S. Army from 1912 -1973. For those records that cannot be retrieved, I receive a letter stating that records cannot be recreated.

St. Peters Run for the Fallen is scheduled to take place at St. Peters Indian Mission on Nov. 1, 2024. This year the student body will honor our greatest generation WWII (Pacific), and in 2025 WWII (Europe). I would like to share with you some information:

Richard Lewis, entered the United States Marine Corps. (USMC) in July of 1941, five months prior to Pearl Harbor. He had been a student at Arizona State University, studying to become a teacher. For whatever reason the USMC sent me Lewis' military record, and I have taken the documentation that I require and have given the file to the family. Lewis required a waiver for enlistment, he was too thin and failed to meet the weight requirements, the waiver stated if his uniform did not interfere with the performance of duty, he would be accepted. Lewis was an exceptional Marine as noted by his Commanders in correspondence with the fami-

ly. From what I read, Lewis was a true leader who led from the front. He was the first Pima to fall in combat and is buried in Hawaii -"The Punch Bowl", he is one of two Community members that are interned overseas.

The second individual interned overseas is Richard Laws, U.S. Army. Laws served with the 158th Infantry "Bushmasters", killed in action in the Philippines. Laws is interned in Manila Philippines (American Battle Monuments Commission)

Haskel Osife Antone - Our oldest combat loss, was killed while coming to the aid of four of his fellow soldiers. Posthumously awarded the Silver Star, he was assigned to the 1st Cavalry.

Robert Allison, USMC, Gila River's youngest KIA, was killed in the first day of battle in the Battle for Guam. At ASAN overlook, there is a monument on Panel 2, you will find the name of Allison dedicated to those heroes who lost their lives to liberate the Island of Guam.

Joshua Morris, USMC, killed on the 5th day of the battle of Guam. Morris volunteered to remain behind and cover his unit's withdrawal. Morris maned a machinegun, which is a crew served weapon that requires more than one individual to operate. While his unit escaped, a counterattack was ordered and Morris' remains were recovered still manning the machinegun. He was recommended for the Silver Star, the 3rd highest award for valor.

Upon review by Admiral Nimitz Commander of the Pacific, he immediately upgraded Morris' award to

the Navy Cross, the second highest award for valor. Secretary of Defense several years ago, ordered that all Native Americans who received the Navy Cross or the Distinguished Service Cross, that their records be reviewed for the Medal of Honor. Although this is a long process investigating an event that happened over 80 years ago, I remain confident that his selfless act of heroism will be finally recognized.

David Mida, member of the 158th Infantry "Bushmaster" volunteered to be an Alamo Scout a top-secret organization that would perform Top Secret Missions. Behind enemy lines, the first class graduated 50 out of one hundred applicants. 20 of those 100 were American Indians, only nine graduated - three were from Gila River.

In 1988 the Alamo Scouts were inducted into the Special Forces Regiment and every member was awarded the coveted Special Forces Tab. Mida is mentioned in the book, "Silent No More - The Alamo Scouts in their own words," as part of the Sombar Team's mission to rescue three white missionaries. He volunteered to return to his old unit for the invasion of the Philippines, hoping that his training and experience would help save lives in the Liberation of the Philippines.

David Lewis, a member of the 25th Infantry Division was killed in the Philippines. There are no records available. His unit records reflect fighting in the mountainous jungle, the Japanese were dug into caves in the mountains of the Philippines and had refused to surrender.

# Phoenix Honors American Indian Veterans from All Tribes and All Wars

## American Indian Veteran's Memorial to Break Ground in Steele Indian School Park in 2025

### Press Release

American Indian Veteran's Memorial Organization

Phoenix, AZ – In the early 1990s, Kent Ware, Sr., a highly decorated World War II veteran and respected elder of the Kiowa tribe, had a vision of creating a memorial to honor his fellow American Indian veterans at a location that would become Steele Indian School Park. The park now sits on the land that once was once home to the Phoenix Indian School, a boarding school for American Indians from around the country that operated from around 1891 until the Federal Government closed it in 1990.

Ware founded AIVMO in 1996, with a dream to build a memorial in honor of the American Indian veterans of all wars. He wanted to provide a place for veterans, their families, loved ones, and survivors to gather and pay tribute to both living and deceased soldiers. AIVMO was granted a site to build the memorial at Steele Indian School Park under a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Phoenix, Parks and Recreation Department in 1998.

Renowned Hopi artist, veteran, and Phoenix Indian School graduate, Dennis Numekena, designed the memorial to capture the spirit of the eagle and incorporate the four elements of creation: fire, water, earth, and air. Using these ceremonial elements in the design gives it a sense of American Indian spirituality, to act as a guide for bringing the spirits of all beloved warriors home.

As the late Numekena described in writings about the memorial's design, "A circle within circles represents our Mother Earth, who gave us our first breath and to whom we dedicate our last breath. A pool of water symbolizes that which nourishes our body, soul and spirit. A breath of fire brings the intensity of our being and purpose to its spiritual finality. The blowing wind guides our spirits to other and further dimensions." The Steele Indian School Park itself is rooted in a circle, a common concept to all tribes, and even to the City of Phoenix itself as it moves towards the future. The memorial will be juxtaposed next to a body of water, Steele Indian School Pond.

Ware, a member of

the Kiowa Black Leggings Warrior Society and founder of the Arizona Territory Gourd Society, worked tirelessly to make the memorial a reality until his death. The project lay dormant for many years, but now the legacy of AIVMO lives on through his son, Kent Ware II, who continues efforts to raise funds to build the memorial. The original architectural design has been altered by Navajo architect, Richard Begay, a partner of SPS+Architects in Scottsdale, to better fit the site.

### Preparing to Break Ground

The construction plans for the site of the American Indian Veteran's Memorial have been approved by the City of Phoenix and AIVMO, and they are working to begin construction in 2025 on a prominent site west of the hummingbird-shaped pond. This elegant structure will forever symbolize peace and healing, gracefully offering everlasting and timeless visibility to honor American Indian Veterans from all wars and every tribe.

AIVMO is currently working with tribes throughout Arizona to raise funds for the project. Key financial supporters include



Architectural drawing of the American Indian Veterans Memorial designed for Steele Indian School Park by SPS+ Architects. Photo Courtesy of American Indian Veteran's Memorial Organization

the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community, the Tohono O'odham Nation, the

Gila River Indian Community, the Ak-Chin Indian Community, and the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation. They are extremely grateful to the Native American Indian community for their support, and to local donor Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust.

### Help Build the American Indian Veteran's Memorial by Buying a Brick

So far, AIVMO has raised over \$500,000, but they need help to reach their fundraising goal of \$700,000 to begin building the memorial. You can help support this important

memorial by contributing a tax-deductible donation to AIVMO. A gift of any amount can make a difference towards helping them reach their goal of breaking ground in 2025.

Donations can be made directly to the American Indian Veterans Memorial Organization, a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization, through their GoFundMe account: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/AIVMO-Arizona>

You can also purchase a personalized brick for \$150.00, which will be laid in a special area of the memorial. Contact AIVMO by email at [aivmoaz@gmail.com](mailto:aivmoaz@gmail.com), or call (480) 951-2910, and visit

their website for more information: [aivmoaz.org](http://aivmoaz.org). The AIVMO organizers are happy to schedule speaking engagements and in-person meetings to discuss the American Indian Veterans Memorial.

The American Indian Veterans Memorial Organization (AIVMO) was created to establish a memorial to honor the American Indian veterans of all wars and to establish a place for these veterans, their families, and friends to gather, and pay tribute to living and deceased American Indian veterans. For more information about AIVMO, please call (480) 403-1064 or visit their website: [www.aivmoaz.org](http://www.aivmoaz.org).

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## EXECUTIVE OFFICE



Stephen Roe Lewis  
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Lt. Governor

### Nike N7 Awards Funding to Local Tribal Communities

Emma Hughes  
Gila River Indian News

Nike N7, in partnership with Nike Social Community Impact, announced special funding towards coaching and athletic development in the Gila River Indian Community, Ak-Chin Indian Community, and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

On July 19, a special event was held at the Nike Unite Marketplace in Tempe, where tribal leaders: Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Ak-Chin Chairman Robert Miguel, and SRPMIC President Martin Harvier joined Sam McCracken (Sioux and Assiniboine), founder of Nike N7 for the announcement.

“On behalf of the Gila River Indian Community,

we really appreciate this next step that we’re taking and it’s about mentors,” said Gov. Lewis. “With these resources, we’re now able to train [and] to support this generation of coaches in our communities, this is a game changer; it uplifts our communities and our youth as well.”

Miguel and Harvier also thanked N7 for the opportunity and acknowledge their mission.

“All of our communities host events through N7,” said Harvier. “I think the important part now is the opportunity to get individuals that have knowledge on that sport to teach youth different ways of playing the sport to make it better.”

50 youth from the Boys & Girls Club of the Gila River Indian Community and other tribal youth were invited, including special guest N7 representative and WNBA player for the Minnesota Lynx, Alissa Pili (Samoan and Inupiaq). Youth had an opportunity to hear from Pili and her journey followed by a photo op.



Nike N7 founder Sam McCracken, Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Ak-Chin Indian Community Chairman Robert Miguel, and Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community President Martin Harvier. Emma Hughes/GRIN



Alissa Pili during an interview with youth journalist Pepper Persley. Emma Hughes/GRIN



Alissa Pili with tribal youth during at the Nike Marketplace on July 19. Emma Hughes/GRIN



Lt. Gov. Regina Antone, along with second place winners Jackrabbits from District 1 with Miss Gila River Susanna Osife, Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, and Jr. Miss Gila River Shayla Davis. Photo Courtesy of Joseph Morales



Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and Lt. Gov. Regina Antone share remarks. Photo Courtesy of Joseph Morales

#### From the Front Page

The tournament featured 32 teams competing, half of which represented the Gila River Indian Community. Last year’s tournament featured 24 teams.

“I’m just so proud of all the staff,” said Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis. “I’m proud that Gila River is able to do this. We’re seeing a lot more great tournaments that provide fellowship for our elders.”

For the championship games, the silver bracket final had the team’ Light-

ing and Thunder’ from the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community face off against ‘Once Wild’. The game concluded with Once Wild becoming the Silver Champions.

The gold bracket final saw the ‘Jackrabbits’ of District 1—Blackwater compete against the ‘Pala Turtles’ of the Pala Band of Mission Indians in southern California. When time concluded, the Pala Turtles were the gold champions, with the Jackrabbits as the runners-up.

First-place teams received a champion’s trophy and medal along with

a banner, and second-place teams were presented with a runners-up trophy and medal.

“We appreciate you all coming out,” said Lt. Gov. Antone, who thanked the organizers and sponsors for the tournament.

The tournament concluded with lunch and giveaways as teams look forward to next year’s invitational.

“Next year we’re going to be bigger and hopefully better,” said Duane Huey Guy, sports coordinator with the Tribal Recreation & Wellness Program.



Team Jackrabbits compete against team Pala Turtles at the 1st Annual Akimel O’odham Pee Posh Elder Chair Volleyball Tournament. Photo Courtesy of Joseph Morales

# MISSING PERSONS

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE GILA RIVER POLICE DEPARTMENT

CLAYTON WAHPETA PETER THOMAS JOSEPH UGALDE ANTHONY PORTER KERMIT BREAD CYNTHIA ACEVEDO TONY GUTIERREZ



Last seen: 06/03/2005  
Age: 37  
Sex: M  
Hair: Black(shaved)  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'5"  
Weight: 190

Last seen: 08/03/2007  
Age: 47  
Sex: M  
Hair: Black  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'5"  
Weight: 190

Last seen: 05/14/2009  
Age: 43  
Sex: M  
Hair: Black  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'9"  
Weight: 200

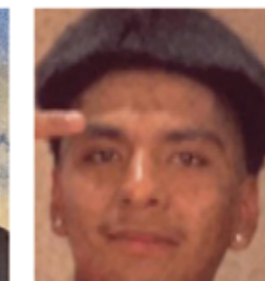
Last seen: 10/15/2011  
Age: 48  
Sex: M  
Hair: Black  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'6"  
Weight: 210

Last seen: 04/11/2014  
Age: 39  
Sex: M  
Hair: Black  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'9"  
Weight: 150

Last seen: 08/31/2019  
Age: 39  
Sex: F  
Hair: Brown  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'4"  
Weight: 230

Last seen: 09/16/2022  
Age: 37  
Sex: M  
Hair: Black  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'11"  
Weight: 350

MARIA LAZARO-AVILA ANNISSA ENOS TRANT JACKSON, JR MARIA ACEDO CELESTINA ARVISO ORLANZO HUGO LORENZO RAIN



Last seen: 12/27/2021  
Age: 16  
Sex: F  
Hair: Brown  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'6"  
Weight: 150

Last seen: 03/16/2024  
Age: 18  
Sex: F  
Hair: Black  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'5"  
Weight: 145

Last seen: 06/29/2024  
Age: 15  
Sex: M  
Hair: Brown  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'7"  
Weight: 150

Last seen: 07/05/2024  
Age: 16  
Sex: F  
Hair: Black  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'7"  
Weight: 230

Last seen: 07/24/2024  
Age: 16  
Sex: F  
Hair: Black  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'5"  
Weight: Unknown

Last seen: 08/17/2024  
Age: 15  
Sex: M  
Hair: Brown  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'0"  
Weight: 100

Last seen: 08/29/2024  
Age: 17  
Sex: M  
Hair: Black  
Eyes: Brown  
Height: 5'9"  
Weight: 170

IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE GILA RIVER POLICE DEPARTMENT: (520) 562-4511



## MMIP Response Team: KNOW THE CODES

**\*\*Excerpts from GRIC's Criminal Code\*\***

Facts on GRIC Codes involving:

**Interference (Custody, Law Enforcement), Contributing to the Delinquency  
Obstructing a Criminal Investigation, Refusing to Aid Law Enforcement**

### What does this mean?

The Missing and Murdered Indian People/Persons Response Team is sharing the following information for those who may be in contact with runaways or missing youth. These codes will be enforced if you are committing the following:

#### 5.504. Interfering with Law Enforcement of Jail Employee. (abbr.)

A person commits the offense of interfering with a law enforcement officer or jail employee if he intentionally or knowingly engages in conduct with the intent to impair, obstruct, hinder, or prevent a law enforcement officer or jail employee from discharging his official duties...

#### 5.505. Refusing to Aid Law Enforcement Officer. (abbr.)

A person commits the offense of refusing to aid a law enforcement officer if upon a reasonable command by a person reasonably known to be a law enforcement officer he intentionally or knowingly refuses to aid such law enforcement officer...

#### 5.517. Obstructing a Criminal Investigation or Prosecution. (abbr.)

A person commits the offense of obstructing a criminal investigation or prosecution if he knowingly:

1. Bribes, misrepresents, intimidates, or forces or uses threats of force to obstruct, delay or prevent the communication of information or testimony relating to a violation of any criminal offense to a public officer, Community judge, prosecutor or Jury...

#### 5.708. Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor. (abbr.)

A person commits the offense of contributing to the delinquency of a minor when he intentionally, knowingly, recklessly or negligently contributes, encourages or causes a minor...

#### 5.709. Interference with Custody. (abbr.)

A person commits the offense of interference with custody if, with knowledge that he has no privilege or right to do so, he takes, entices, keeps from lawful custody, or harbors a minor child from the lawful custody of a parent, guardian or custodian, or incompetent entrusted by authority of law to the custody of another person or institution...



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# 2024 Presidential Election U.S. General Election



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Donald J. Trump & J.D. Vance (R)

### U.S. Senator

Ruben Gallego (D)  
Kari Lake (R)

### U.S. Congress

**District 2**  
Eli Crane (R)  
Jonathan Nez (D)

**District 3**  
Yassamin Ansari (D)  
Jeff Zink (R)

### AZ Senate

**District 12 - Select 1**  
Denise "Mitzi" Epstein (D)  
Cara Vicini (R)

**District 16 - Select 1**  
Stacey Seaman (D)  
Thomas Shope (R)

### AZ House

**District 12 - Select 2**  
Patricia Contreras (D)  
Lawrence Hudson (R)  
Anastasia "Stacey" Travers (D)

**District 16 - Select 2**  
Chris Lopez (R)  
Teresa Martinez (R)  
Keith Seaman (D)

### AZ Corporation Commission

### AZ Supreme Court

### Ballot Measures

### City and County Officials

## Voter Registration

### Registration Requirements and Eligibility

A person is qualified to register to vote in the State of Arizona if they meet the following requirements:

- Is a United States Citizen
- Will be 18 years old by the date of the next General Election (11/5/24)
- A resident of Arizona and the County listed on your registration
- Has not been convicted of treason or a felony, unless their civil rights have been restored
- Has not been found mentally incapacitated by a court.



### Register Today or Update Your Registration

Scan the QR code to Register to Vote or to update your Voter Registration.  
[servicearizona.com/VoterRegistration](http://servicearizona.com/VoterRegistration)

## How to Vote



### Vote Early! Starts on October 9

Voters requesting to receive an Early Ballot can return them by the following:

- Return Ballot by Mail
- Drop off Ballot at a secured ballot dropbox
- **OR** Voters can vote in-person at an early Polling Location



### Election Day! November 5

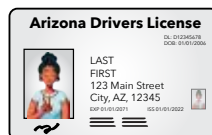
Make a Plan to Vote!

1. Check your polling location!
2. Have your valid ID ready!

## Identification at the Polls

Voters are required to bring a valid ID when voting on Election Day or in-person at an Early Polling Location. Your NAME and ADDRESS on your ID must "reasonably match" the information listed on your registration. **An acceptable ID must fall under 1 of the 3 lists below:**

### List 1: A Valid Photo ID with the Voter's Name and Address - 1 Required



- Arizona Driver License
- Arizona Non-Operating Identification License
- A Tribal Enrollment Card or other form of Tribal Identification
- Any other valid U.S. Federal, State, or local Government-Issued Identification

### OR List 2: A Non-Photo ID with the Voter's Name and Address - 2 Required

*\*Example: A Utility Bill, Vehicle Registration, Bank or Credit Union Statement, etc.*

### OR List 3: The voter may present certain combinations of documents from Lists 1 and 2

Visit: [azsos.gov/elections/voters](http://azsos.gov/elections/voters) for a Complete List of Acceptable IDs

## Voting with a GRIC Tribal ID or Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB)



- GRIC Members using their Tribal ID **AND** an ID from List 2 (that matches the Voter Roll) will receive a **Regular Ballot**
- GRIC Members using **ONLY** a Tribal ID **OR ONLY** a CIB will receive a **Provisional Ballot**

*\*A Provisional Ballot will still count if voting in your precinct*

## Polling Locations

### Pinal County

1) Blackwater - 60  
District 1 Multi-Purpose Building

2) Sacaton - 29  
District 3 Service Center

### Maricopa County

5) Komatke - 425  
District 6 Learning Center

3) San Tan - 61  
District 4 Service Center

4) Casa Blanca - 62  
District 5 Service Center

6) Pee-Posh - 629  
District 7 Service Center

## Find Your Polling Location



**Maricopa County Residents**  
[elections.maricopa.gov/voting/where-to-vote](http://elections.maricopa.gov/voting/where-to-vote)



**Pinal County Residents**  
[my.arizona.vote/WhereToVote](http://my.arizona.vote/WhereToVote)

## Native Vote Election Protection Hotline: 1-888-777-3831

If you experience any issues, are intimidated or harassed, either inside or outside of the polling location, please call the Arizona Native Vote Election Protection Hotline

**Announcements & Notices**

**COURT NOTICE**

IN THE COMANCHE NATION TRIBAL COURT DISTRICT COURT

**COMANCHE NATION CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM, EX REL., TAMYRA GALLEGOS,**  
PETITIONER,  
VS.  
**HANSON JOSE,**  
RESPONDENT

**Case No: CNCSP-15-66**  
**FGN: 61222001**

**HANSON JOSE:**  
**OBLIGER**

**TAMYRA GALLEGOS:**  
**CUSTODIAN**

**NOTICE BY PUBLICATION**

**TO: HANSON JOSE**

**TAKE NOTICE** that you are a named party in an Application for Indirect Contempt Citation filed in the Court listed above by Comanche Nation Child Support Program, asking that you be ordered to pay child support. You must appear in the Comanche Nation Tribal Court (584 NW Bingo Rd., Lawton, OK) on the **21st** day of **August, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.** Your failure to appear may result in the Application for Indirect Contempt Citation being taken as true and the requested relief sought being granted.

Given under my hand and seal this 4th day of June, 2024. By DEPUTY COURT CLERK, The Comanche Nation Tribal Court.

Prepared by:  
Comanche Nation Child Support Program  
P.O. Box 1647  
Lawton, OK 73502  
Telephone: (580) 280-4641  
Facsimile: (580) 280-4628

**NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY EXTENDED BAR DATE ORDER**

**FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF CALIFORNIA, INC., CASE NUMBER 23-41723 EXTENDED DEADLINE FOR ALL CLAIMS – AUGUST 30, 2024 by 5 PM**

On December 31, 2023, the Franciscan Friars of California, Inc. filed for Chapter 11 Bankruptcy protection in U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California. This filing addresses child sexual abuse claims filed as the result of laws allowing abuse survivors to file decades-old complaints that were otherwise time-barred or expired under the statute of limitations.

The child sex abuse alleged in these cases occurred at least 27 years ago, with claims dating back to the 1940s. Most of the friars named in the claims are dead. Of the six living friars, all have been permanently removed from public ministry and all are living under strict third-party supervision.

According to public records, five of the accused friars served within the Community.

- Edward Henriques - St. Johns, Komatke - 1946 to 1956
- Sylvester Mancuso - St. Peters, Bapchule - 1958 to 1964
- Remy Rudin - St. Johns, Komatke - 1980 to 1982
- Charles “Jude” Ruetten - St. Johns, Komatke - 1960 to 1963
- Sylvester Mancuso - St. Peters, Bapchule - 1958 to 1964

If you or a family member has a claim related to sexual abuse committed by the above-mentioned Franciscan friars, you must file the claim by August 30, 2024.

If you have questions regarding the claims process, the Community urges you to contact an attorney. If you need information or you wish to obtain a copy of the Proof of Claim form, you may do so by (1) calling Donlin Recano & Company, Inc. at (888) 444-4055; (2) visiting <https://www.donlinrecano.com/ffc>; (3) and/or emailing inquiries to [ffcinfo@drc.equiniti.com](mailto:ffcinfo@drc.equiniti.com).

For more information on how to file a claim, visit <https://www.donlinrecano.com/Clients/ffc/Static/SurvivorClaims> today.

**GRIC COURT DATE NOTICE**

IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT STATE OF ARIZONA

**GRACE KEAMS**  
Petitioner/Plaintiff  
VS.  
**ARNO ENOS**  
Respondent/Defendant

**CASE Number: CV-2024-0185-MO**

Please take notice that a(n) **Answer/Response Hearing** has been scheduled in the Gila River Indian

Community Court.

**This matter has been scheduled at the place and time set forth below:**

**Monday, October 14, 2024**  
**at 11:00 AM in Courtroom VII,**  
**Westend Judicial Center,**  
**4751 West Pecos Road, Laveen, AZ**

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the Gila River Indian Community in the State of Arizona.

**DATED this 13th day of August, 2024**

**GRIC COURT DATE NOTICE**

IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA

**ESMIRNA ODETTE PEREZ-MEDINA**  
Petitioner/Plaintiff  
VS.  
**LEO PATRICK ENOS**  
Respondent/Defendant

**CASE Number: CV-2024-0143-MO**

**SUMMONS**  
Civil Division

**YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED**, that a civil action has been filed against you in the Gila River Indian Community Court.

YOU shall respond at an **Answer/Response Hearing** regarding this matter on:

**Monday, October 7, 2024 at 10:30 AM in Courtroom I,**  
**AKIMEL O’OTHAM LODITHA KUO KI,**  
**721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ.**

YOU may respond in writing. However, even if you do so, your presence at the Answer/Response Hearing is still required. If a written answer or response is made, it shall be filed and served before the date of the hearing, unless the time is extended by order of the Court.

**If you fail to appear and defend, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.**

**DATED this 19th day of August, 2024**

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA OAKLAND DIVISION**

*In re Franciscan Friars of California, Inc.*  
**Case No. 23-41723 WJL**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT**, on December 31, 2023, Franciscan Friars of California, Inc. (the “**Debtor**”) filed for bankruptcy protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code.

**The Bankruptcy Court has established August 30, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Pacific Time) as the extended deadline to file proofs of claim against the Debtor (the “Extended Bar Date”).**

**If you have a claim against the Debtor, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Debtor, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date.**

If you have any questions regarding the claims process and/or you wish to obtain a copy of the proof of claim form, you may do so by: (i) calling Donlin Recano & Company, Inc. at (888) 444-4055; (ii) visiting the Debtor’s restructuring website at <https://www.donlinrecano.com/ffc>; and/or (iii) emailing inquiries to [ffcinfo@drc.equiniti.com](mailto:ffcinfo@drc.equiniti.com).

**IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEBTOR’S CHAPTER 11 CASE.**

**United States Department of the Interior BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS**



**Pima Agency**  
104 North Main Street  
Post Office Box 8  
Sacaton, Arizona 85147

In Reply Refer to:  
Superintendent’s Office

**Public Notice Change of Phone Number**  
**June 21, 2024**

The Bureau of Indian Affairs, Pima Agency, Sacaton, Arizona has a new official phone number: **520- 815-0287**.

Effective July 1, 2024, **520-562-3326 will no longer work.**

Our phone system will no longer be monitored by our staff. The public will be able to select from an automated system and reach a specific department and/or person.

Please update your contacts accordingly and save this number for future questions, comments, or concerns.

For inquiries concerning lease checks or IIM, please call BTFA at 520-562-3608 or 1-888-678-6836.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Rachel Larson  
Superintendent  
Bureau of Indian Affairs, Pima Agency  
Email: [Rachel.Larson@bia.gov](mailto:Rachel.Larson@bia.gov)  
Phone: 520-815-0287

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# COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEETS

Courtesy of the Community Council Secretary's Office • June 19, 2024

## ACTION SHEET

Community Council; P.O. Box 2138; Sacaton, Arizona 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720; Fax (520) 562-9729

## CALL TO ORDER

The Second Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday, June 19, 2024, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by Lt. Governor Regina Antone at 9:03 a.m.

## INVOCATION

Provided by Councilman Joey Whitman

## ROLL CALL

Council Secretary Shannon White called the roll

Executive Officers Present:

Governor Stephen R. Lewis(9:50)

Lt. Governor Regina Antone

Council Members Present:

D1- Joey Whitman, Duane Jackson, Jr.(9:50); D2- Ann

Lucas; D3- Avery White, Joseph Manuel, Jr.; D4- Leah

Williams, Jennifer Allison(9:05), Lalena Jackson; D5-

Franklin Pablo, Sr.; D6- Anthony Villareal, Sr.

Council Members Present via WebEx:

D5- Brian Davis, Sr.

D6- Charles Goldtooth

D7- Devin Redbird

Council Members Absent:

D4- Nada Celaya (Travel)

D5- James De La Rosa (Travel)

D5- Gordon Santos, Jr. (Travel)

D6- Terrance Evans (Travel)

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT REPORTS #1 THROUGH #6, ACCEPT AND APPROVE RESOLUTIONS #2 THROUGH #6, AND ACCEPT AND APPROVE NEW BUSINESS #5 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE THE REGULAR AGENDA AS PRESENTED

## PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

1. Introduction – Department of Transportation Director, Mr. DeWayne Badonie

Presenters: Suzanne Jones, DeWayne Badonie

MS. SUZANNE JONES INTRODUCED MR. DEWAYNE BADONIE WHO IS THE NEW DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. MR. BADONIE PREVIOUSLY WORKED FOR THE COMMUNITY IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. MR. BADONIE HAS AN ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE IN ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY, A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING, AND A MASTER'S IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. MR. BADONIE IS FROM ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO AND HAS MANY YEARS OF ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE. MR. BADONIE HAS WORKED IN THE METROPOLITAN AREA AND WITH THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. WHILE EMPLOYED WITH THE COMMUNITY MR. BADONIE IMPLEMENTED A VARIETY OF INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT FOR WATER. MR. BADONIE IS VERY HUMBLER AND THANKFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK FOR THE COMMUNITY. COUNCIL MEMBERS WELCOMED MR. BADONIE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY AND LOOK FORWARD TO ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

2. Introduction – Department of Public Works Director, Mr. Leonard Ludi

Presenter: Suzanne Jones, Leonard Ludi

MS. SUZANNE JONES INTRODUCED MR. LEONARD LUDI AS THE NEW DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. MR. LUDI IS ALSO FROM NEW MEXICO. MR. LUDI HAS EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE IN PUBLIC WORKS AND OTHER AREAS. MR. LUDI IS EAGER TO LEARN THE COMMUNITY AND THE MEMBERS TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY. MR. LUDI WELCOMES ANY INFORMATION TO HELP THE COMMUNITY BE SUCCESSFUL. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS WELCOMED MR. LUDI TO THE COMMUNITY AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH HIM ON PROJECTS.

## REPORTS

>1. Haskell Osife-Antone Auxiliary Unit 51 FY24 First and Second Quarter Report

Presenters: Gina Thomas-Enos, Pamela Thompson

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. Pee-Posh Veterans' Association 1st Quarter Budget Report

Presenters: Arnie Bread, Sr., Veronica Kinsel

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>3. Pee-Posh Veterans' Association 2nd Quarter Budget Report

Presenters: Arnie Bread, Sr., Veronica Kinsel

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>4. 2024 Community Council Election Report

Presenters: Zuzette Kisto

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>5. St. Peter Indian Mission Catholic School Education Allocation Quarter 2 Report for SY2023-2024

Presenter: Sister Martha Carpenter, Sherilyn Analla

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>6. 2024 CAF – ICC Data Submission

Presenter: Clarice Chiago-Jones, Craig Baumgartner, GRTI Board of Directors

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

7. San Carlos Apache Tribe WWTF (Executive Session)

Presenters: Javier Ramos, Don Pongrace, Ian Shavitz

HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

[GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS CALLED FOR A 10 MINUTE BREAK; THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 11:08 A.M.]

## RESOLUTIONS

1. A Resolution Approving The Gila River Indian Community Ombudsman Policies And Procedures (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval) Presenters: Suzanne Jones, Michael Preston, Kenneth Young

APPROVED

>2. A Resolution Approving The Construction Of Street Lighting Along 79th Avenue Within The Bureau Of Indian Affairs Right Of Way From Baseline Road To Dobbins Road And Upon Construction Completion Have The Community And District Seven Assume Ownership And Maintenance Of The Street Lights (NRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; G&MSC concurs)

Presenter: Steven Johnson

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>3. A Resolution Approving The Construction Of A Bus Shelter Along 79th Avenue Within The Bureau Of Indian Affairs Right Of Way From Baseline Road To Dobbins Road And The Community And District Seven Assuming Ownership And Maintenance Of The Bus Shelter Upon Construction Completion (NRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; G&MSC concurs)

Presenter: Steven Johnson

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>4. A Resolution Approving The Fiscal Year 2024 Gila River Indian Community Indian Housing Plan Amendment For Implementation And Submittal To The United States Department Of Housing And Urban Development (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Derwin Cooper

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>5. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing An Agreement Between The Wild Horse Pass Development Authority And BOKF, NA For Fiscal Year 2024 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; H&SSC concurs)

Presenters: Javier Ramos, Zachary Picciotti

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>6. A Resolution Approving A Voluntary Assistance Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community Police Department And The Arizona Rangers (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and place-

ment on the consent agenda; LSC concurs)

Presenters: Jesse Crabtree, William Morago, Jeffrey Hunter

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

7. A Resolution Approving Modification No. 58 To The Gila River Indian Community Capital Projects Fund Budget For Fiscal Years 2024 Through 2028 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Treasurer Gary T. Mix

APPROVED

8. A Resolution Approving Modification No. 5 To The Gila River Indian Community Operating Budget For Fiscal Year 2024 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval) Presenter: Treasurer Gary T. Mix

APPROVED

## ORDINANCES

1. The Gila River Indian Community Council Codifies The Amendments To Title 8, Chapter 4 Of The Gila River Indian Community Code As Approved In Ordinance GR-01-24 (LSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Javier Ramos, Zachary Picciotti

APPROVED

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### NEW BUSINESS

\*1. Children's Court Judge Vacancy (LSC forwards to Council to declare the vacancy for (60) days)

Presenter: Anthony J. Hill

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DECLARE THE VACANCY FOR (60) DAYS THROUGH THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT WITH ALL APPLICATIONS FORWARDED TO THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL SECRETARY'S OFFICE AND PROCESS THROUGH THE REVIEWING COMMITTEE

2. Gila River Boys & Girls Club Board of Director's Declaration of Two (2) Vacancies (G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business to declare (2) vacancies and advertise for 60 days subject to the Code of Conduct)

Presenter: Shannon White

MOTION TO DECLARE (2) VACANCIES AND ADVERTISE FOR 60 DAYS SUBJECT TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT

3. Notice of Litigation Team Vacancies (G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business to declare the (2) (1) vacancies and to appoint at the June 19, 2024 Council Meeting)

Presenter: Javier Ramos

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DECLARE ONE (1) VACANCY AND TO APPOINT AT THE JUNE 19, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPOINT COUNCILMAN JOEY WHITMAN TO THE LITIGATION TEAM

4. Casino Expansion Owner's Team FY24 Update (G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business to request a Special Council Meeting and work with the Council Secretary to provide dates for consideration)

Presenters: Barney Enos, Jr., Deborah Griffin

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO SCHEDULE A SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING FOR THE CASINO EXPANSION OWNER'S TEAM UPDATE ON AUGUST 8, 2024 WITH THE LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED

>5. GRTI FY2023 Independent Auditor's Report (G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business with a recommendation to accept and placement on the consent agenda; EDSC concurs)

Presenters: Clarice Chiago-Jones, Craig Baumgartner, Camille Christiansen, GRTI Board of Directors

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

6. Law Enforcement Citizen's Advisory Board Appointment For District 3 (Executive Session) (LSC forwards to Council under New Business in Executive Session for action)

Presenters: Shannon White, Javier Ramos

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPOINT CARMEN

*Continued on Next Page*

### *Action Sheets Cont.*

BALDWIN- ORTEGA TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT CITIZEN'S ADVISORY BOARD FOR DISTRICT 3 MOTION DEFEATED

7. 2024 NIEA Annual Convention & Trade Show Palm Springs Convention Center October 09, 2024-October 12, 2024 (ESC forwards to Council for any interested Council members to attend under Dues and Delegations and to also include the pre-conference sessions from October 07, 2024 to October 08, 2024)

Presenters: Education Standing Committee

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ALLOW ANY INTERESTED COUNCIL MEMBERS TO ATTEND UNDER DUES AND DELEGATIONS AND INCLUDE THE PRE-CONFERENCE SESSIONS FROM OCTOBER 7, 2024 TO OCTOBER 8, 2024

8. CyberSW Digital Indigenous Field Guide Overview (CRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation of letter of support with additional changes of removing Mr.

Barnaby Lewis)

Presenters: Barnaby V. Lewis, Reylynn Williams, Larry Benallie, Jr., Darius Enos, Caitlynn Mayhew, Joshua Watts, Skylar Begay

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO PROVIDE A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE CYBER SOUTH WEST DIGITAL INDIGENOUS FIELD GUIDE OVERVIEW WITH THE ADDITIONAL CHANGES IN AND REMOVING MR. BARNABY LEWIS AS THE SIGNATORY AUTHORITY AND REPLACING WITH THE INTERIM TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER MS. REYLYNNE WILLIAMS

#### **MINUTES**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- OPENING OF THE NEW GILA RIVER POLICE DEPARTMENT WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2024
- UPDATE PROVIDED ON THE STATUS OF THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
- UPDATE ON DRAFT AGREEMENTS REGARD-

ING WATER

• FOUR SOUTHERN TRIBES MEETING WILL BE HELD AT KIT PEAK OBSERVATORY

• A SITE VISIT WITH BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 26, 2024 IN DISTRICT 5

• HOUSING OWNER'S TEAM MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2024 AT 1:00 P.M.

• HEALTH & SOCIAL STANDING COMMITTEE WILL BE HOLDING A WORK SESSION ON SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2024 AT 9:00 A.M. REGARDING THE GUARDIAN SUBSIDY PROGRAM

• SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2024 THE URBAN MEMBERS ASSOCIATION WILL BE HOLDING A GRADUATION CELEBRATION AT THE FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH IN PHOENIX

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:00 P.M.

\* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)

> Denotes a CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

# COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEETS

## Courtesy of the Community Council Secretary's Office • July 3, 2024

### **ACTION SHEET**

Community Council; P.O. Box 2138; Sacaton, Arizona 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720; Fax (520) 562-9729

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The First Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday, July 3, 2024, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by Lt. Governor Regina Antone at 9:03 a.m.

### **INVOCATION**

Provided by Councilwoman Nada Celaya

### **ROLL CALL**

Council Secretary Shannon White called the roll

Executive Officers Present:

Lt. Governor Regina Antone

Council Members Present:

D1- Joey Whitman, Duane Jackson, Jr.; D2- Ann Lucas; D3- Avery White, Joseph Manuel, Jr.; D4- Leah Williams, Jennifer Allison, Nada Celaya, Lalena Jackson; D5- James De La Rosa, Franklin Pablo, Sr., Brian Davis, Sr., Gordon Santos, Jr.; D6- Anthony Villareal, Sr., Charles Goldtooth, Terrance Evans; D7- Devin Redbird

Executive Officers Absent:

Governor Stephen R. Lewis

Council Members Absent:

D3- Avery White (Personal)

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE RESOLUTIONS #1 THROUGH #13 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE THE REGULAR AGENDA AS PRESENTED

### **PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS**

1. 2024 First Responder Cadet Program

Presenter: James Milano

ASSISTANT CHIEF MORAGO INTRODUCED OFFICER JAMES MILANO WHO HAS BEEN WITH THE GILA RIVER POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR 12 YEARS AND IS THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER. OFFICER MILANO HAS OVERSEEN THE CADET PROGRAM FOR THE PAST FEW YEARS. OFFICER MILANO INTRODUCED THE 2024 FIRST RESPONDER CADETS. THE PROGRAM IS PARTNERED WITH THE WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT ("WIOA") PROGRAM, GILA RIVER POLICE DEPARTMENT, GILA RIVER FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND GILA RIVER EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICE. OFFICER MILANO HOPES TO INCLUDE THE DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION AND SUPERVISION IN THE FUTURE WHICH WOULD PROVIDE ANOTHER OPTION FOR A CAREER PATH FOR THE CADETS. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS PROVIDED WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUPPORT TO THE CADETS.

### **REPORTS**

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Gila River Gaming Commission Department Report to the Community Council May 2024 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Gaming Commission, M. Scott Sanderson,

Lydia Acosta

HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

2. Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. Monthly Report May 2024 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Kenneth Manuel, Dominic Orozco, Blake Katsnelson, Tony DeMark, Interim Oversight & Planning Committee

HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

3. FY2024 Financial Activity Report ending May 31, 2024 (Executive Session)

Presenter: Treasurer Gary T. Mix

HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

4. Schedule of Investments – May 30, 2024 (Executive Session)

Presenter: Treasurer Gary T. Mix

HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

### **RESOLUTIONS**

>1. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing Funding Between The City Of Phoenix And The Gila River Indian Community For Fixed Route Transit Services For Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: DeWayne Badonie

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 2261 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District One Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Talia Apkaw, Eugene Blackwater, Kimberly Cooper

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>3. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 4815 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Talia Apkaw, Eugene Blackwater, Kimberly Cooper

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>4. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 4079 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Six Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Talia Apkaw, Eugene Blackwater, Kimberly Cooper

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>5. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty

Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 575 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Four Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Talia Apkaw, Eugene Blackwater, Kimberly Cooper

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>6. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 1359 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Talia Apkaw, Eugene Blackwater, Kimberly Cooper

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>7. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 3051-A Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Seven Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Talia Apkaw, Eugene Blackwater, Kimberly Cooper

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>8. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 2057 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District One Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Talia Apkaw, Eugene Blackwater, Kimberly Cooper

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>9. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 3061 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Talia Apkaw, Eugene Blackwater, Kimberly Cooper

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>10. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 2700 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Six Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Talia Apkaw, Eugene Blackwater, Kimberly

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11. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 1408
Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila
River Indian Reservation (G&MSC forwards to Council
with a recommendation for approval and placement on
the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)
Presenters: Talia Apkaw, Eugene Blackwater, Kimberly
Cooper
ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGEN-
DA
>12. A Resolution Authorizing The Gila River Indian Com-
munity Tribal Social Services Department To Submit The
Title IV-B Subpart I And II, Promoting Safe And Stable
Families Grant Application To The United States Depart-
ment Of Health And Human Services, Administration For
Children, Youth And Families, Children's Bureau (G&MSC

forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval
and placement on the consent agenda; H&SSC concurs)
Presenters: Suzanne Jones, Christina Lopez
ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGEN-
DA
>13. A Resolution Approving The Attached Attorney Con-
tract For A Chief Prosecutor (Executive Session) (G&MSC
forwards to Council in Executive Session with a recom-
mendation for approval with corrections and placement on
the consent agenda, LSC concurs)
Presenters: Suzanne Jones, Javier Ramos
ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGEN-
DA
ORDINANCES
UNFINISHED BUSINESS
NEW BUSINESS
1. Gila River Health Care Letter of Request for GRIC
Community Council Orientation (H&SSC forwards to
Council with a recommendation to schedule the Council
Orientation on August 20, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00
p.m. at the Viola Johnson Building)

Presenters: GRHC Board of Directors
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO SCHEDULE A
COUNCIL ORIENTATION AUGUST 29, 2024 FROM 9:00
A.M. TO 12:00 PM. AT THE VIOLA JOHNSON BUILDING
MINUTES
1. June 5, 2024 (Regular)
APPROVED
2. June 19, 2024 (Regular)
APPROVED
ANNOUNCEMENTS
• PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR LUCIUS KY-
ITAN AND FAMILY
• PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR THE FRIESON
FAMILY
• GENERAL COUNSEL JAVIER RAMOS WILL BE
ON LEAVE UNTIL JULY 9, 2024
ADJOURNMENT
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:29 A.M.
\* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)
> Denotes a CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

GRICUA JOB DESCRIPTION



Customer Service Representative- FT

Department: Customer Service & Administration
Reports to: Customer Service Coordinator
Supervises: NA
Eligible for Overtime: Yes

Work Schedule: Approved AWW schedule: M-Th - 7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. full schedule
days; 7:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. short day & every other Friday off according to
approved GRICUA work schedule; overtime as needed.

Travel: None

Essential Job Functions:

Responds in a timely manner to customer inquiries, complaints, and service problems
by phone, e-mail, or in person ensuring smooth operations, productive communications,
and effective understanding during all interpersonal contacts. Courteously and timely
provides current, accurate information to inquiries.

Processes bill payments, posting amounts to correct accounts while maintaining the
billing and information system with minimal to no data entry errors.

Works with customers, meter readers and propane techs to resolve discrepancies.

Performs cashing functions using established procedures and adhering to cash
handling, check cashing, and credit card procedures.

Qualifications (Minimum Education/Experience/Skills/Knowledge):

- Minimum two years equivalent work experience with high school diploma or GED.
• Some experience with general office work, accounting, computer data entry, and/or
customer service.
• Knowledge of basic office procedures and equipment.
• Knowledge of computer systems specifically spreadsheet and word processing
software programs
• Some knowledge of accounting, bookkeeping or billing procedures.
• Can accurately perform alpha and numeric data entry.
• Quickly and accurately makes arithmetical computations and change.
• Strong interpersonal and team building skills.

Other Requirements:

- Works with minimal supervision.
• Adheres to policies and procedures and able to interpret a variety of instructions.
• Uses tact and courtesy when communicating with customers (internal and external).
• Communicates effectively and calmly with the public and others in outage situations.
• Demonstrates patience working with a variety of learning and working styles.
• Vocal communications over the phone and radio must be clear, audible, and easy to
understand.

Types of People Contact: Substantial contact with customers including billing and
payment issues; additional contact with office staff and field personnel.

Mental and Physical Demands: Sits for extended periods of time at a desk/computer
terminal requiring repetitive motion. Able to view computer monitor from reasonable
distance. Stands for periods of time at counter. Bends or stretches (e.g., filing)
throughout the day. Walks to warehouse. Works with printed and handwritten forms and
documents. Must be able to deal with a large volume of interruptions. Must be able
to lift up to 25 pounds (inventory, files and computer printouts) as needed. Engages in
normal level of conversation via phone, radio and in-person.

Work Environment: Air-conditioned and heated office with suitable lighting, occasional
work in the unheated, non-air-conditioned warehouse.

Disclaimer:

The above description is an overview of the job. It is not intended to be an all-inclusive
list of duties and responsibilities of the job, nor is it intended to be an all-inclusive list of
the skills and abilities required to do the job. Duties and responsibilities may change
with business needs. GRICUA reserves the right to add, change, amend, or delete
portions of this job description at any time, with or without notice. Employees will be
required to perform other duties as requested, directed, or assigned. In addition,
reasonable accommodations may be made by GRICUA as its discretion to enable
individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Advertisement for Gila River Health Care Life Center. Includes logo, title 'LIFE CENTER', subtitle 'DIABETES, ENDOCRINOLOGY & WELLNESS', phone number '(520) 562-7940', and website 'GRHC.ORG/LIFECENTER'. Features icons for health, nutrition, and fitness. Below the main text are four service boxes: 1. DIABETES AND NUTRITION EDUCATION (5 year old and up) with bullet points on nutrition education and meal prep. 2. DIABETES PREVENTION SERVICES (10-17 years with guardian and 18 and up) with bullet points on weight loss tools and healthy habits. 3. COUNSELING AND SUPPORT SERVICES (10 years old and above) with bullet points on emotional support and stress management. 4. FITNESS SERVICES (10 years old and above) with bullet points on 1:1 training and personalized exercise plans. 5. CLINICAL SERVICES (10 years old and above) with bullet points on endocrinologist and nurse practitioner services. 6. GARDEN SERVICES with bullet points on seed resource and garden classes.

### NOTICE OF APPEAL OF BUSINESS LEASE APPROVAL, ALLOTTED LANDS ON THE GILA RIVER INDIAN RESERVATION


NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE WESTERN REGIONAL DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, that the Gila River Indian Community has appealed to the Interior Board of Indian Appeals (Board) from a July 1, 2024, decision of the Western Regional Director to approve a business lease to Revel-Scannell JV, LLC, of 25 allotments comprising approximately 233.01 acres located on the Gila River Indian Reservation.

Any person who believes that he or she is an interested party in this matter and who wishes to enter an appearance and receive personal notice of the proceedings must file a request with the Interior Board of Indian Appeals, U.S. Department of the Interior, 801 N. Quincy Street, Suite 300, Arlington, Virginia 22203. The request must refer to "Gila River Indian Community v. Western Regional Director." A request to appear in this matter must be filed with the Board no later than October 11, 2024. If a party does not file a request to appear, that party will not be personally notified of further proceedings in this appeal.

Any interested party who wishes to file a brief in this appeal must comply with the briefing schedule and service requirements set by the Board.

A copy of the Regional Director's July 1, 2024, decision, the notice of appeal, orders issued by the Board, and pleadings filed in this case are available for inspection at the Pima Agency Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Sacaton, Arizona. Please contact the Agency Office in advance (phone 520-815-0287) to make arrangements.



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# GRIC 4-H Club

4-H membership provides youth to educational and competitive opportunities at the club, county, state, national, and sometimes international level.

4-H provides opportunities for youth development and for youth to develop skills, practical knowledge, and wisdom through observing, doing, and living through experiences. The 4 H's are Head, Heart, Hands, and Health.

Join 4-H Today! Open to all youth between the ages 5 and 18. GRIC 4-H Club welcomes you to be part of the 4-H family.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact us today!  
Liane Iglesias, 4-H Program Coordinator  
(520) 610-7240 / [gric4h@griidd.com](mailto:gric4h@griidd.com)

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## JOIN OUR TEAM

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- Police Officer Recruit - \$33.03  
\$7,500 Hiring Bonus!
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\$15,000 Hiring Bonus!

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or call a recruiter at (520) 562-7500 today!

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# Volunteers Needed!

GRIC 4H Club is seeking adult volunteers (21 years old and up)

As the nation's largest youth development organization, 4H club serves the youth where they are. When you become a 4H volunteer, you will be serving the youth in our Community.

Your participation will help give GRIC youth the resources they need to learn, gain support and receive caring adult mentorship.



Please contact GRIC 4H Coordinator to start volunteer application process today!

Contact Name: Liane Iglesias  
Phone: 520-610-7240  
Email: [gric4H@griidd.com](mailto:gric4H@griidd.com)

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**Cooperative Extension**



**LIFE CENTER**  
DIABETES, ENDOCRINOLOGY & WELLNESS

## Stress Care Practice

Hau'pal (Red Tail Hawk) Health Center  
Life Center Conference Room

**MONDAY: MEDITATION**

Sessions Begin Promptly at 9:30 AM

**FRIDAY: MEDITATION**

Sessions Begin Promptly at 12:00 PM



Learn how to meditate and practice a 10-15 minute session.

**JOIN US**  
IN PERSON OR ONLINE

**webex**  
BY CISCO

Phone number: 1-415-655-0002  
Meeting number: 2634 341 8889  
Meeting password: 4LESSstress







WILD HORSE PASS

**GIPSY KINGS**  
**FEATURING NICOLAS REYES**  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 11 | 8PM



WILD HORSE PASS

**NITTY GRITTY DIRT BAND**  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 16 | 8PM



WILD HORSE PASS

**SHABOOZEY**  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 17 | 8PM



WILD HORSE PASS

**TYGA**  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 31 | 6PM

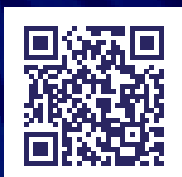


WILD HORSE PASS

**LOS LOBOS**  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 | 8PM

**MORE  
UPCOMING  
SHOWS**

SEP 7 | MORRIS DAY & THE TIME AT *WILD HORSE PASS*  
SEP 12 | CHASE MATTHEW AT *SANTAN MOUNTAIN*  
SEP 13 | FIESTAS DE MEXICO: A CULTURAL CELEBRATION  
AT *WILD HORSE PASS*  
SEP 14 | GEORGE LOPEZ AT *WILD HORSE PASS*



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