



Bishop Paiute Tribe

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Newsletter



BISHOP TRIBAL COUNCIL

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Tribal Council and Tribal Administration Update

The Tribal Council and tribal administration have been very active during this time and is managing the tribal business activities as they arise and they continue to have weekly business meetings. The business meetings have been handled through teleconferencing and so far this is working out well. We will update the tribal membership weekly via our website at: www.bishoppaiutetribe.org. Go to the tribal member section to review the minutes of these weekly meetings. We will also have portions of the weekly meetings broadcast on our radio station, KBPT-LP, KBPT 96.1

Following are the activities the tribal council has taken since end of February 2020, the majority in the sense of resolutions:

March 10, 2020 Passed Resolution T2020-21 Tribal Heritage Grant and National Park Services for the Cultural Center and Tribal Historic Preservation Office (Tara and Monty).

March 10, 2020 Passed Resolution T2020-22 First Nations Native Youth and Cultural Fund for the Cultural Center and Tribal Historic Preservation Office (Tara and Monty).

March 17, 2020 Passed Resolution T2020-23 To Recommend self-quarantine for Bishop Paiute Tribal Members and Bishop Paiute Tribal Employees who fall under high-risk populations related to the COVID-19 outbreak.

March 17, 2020 - Bishop Paiute Tribal Council declared a State of Emergency effective Tuesday, March 17, 2020 with the adoption of Council Resolution T2020-24 for the Bishop Paiute Reservation in response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) global pandemic.

March 17, 2020 Bishop Paiute Tribal Council motioned to temporarily close the Paiute Palace Casino for the safety of the community and team members at the Paiute Palace Casino through the end of March 31, 2020. An evaluation and decision of re-opening will be made at or around March 30, 2020.

March 19, 2020 – Bishop Paiute Tribe Emergency Response Plan to the COVID-19 was approved.
- A separate Bishop Paiute Gas Station COVID-19 Protocol was approved.

March 20, 2020 – In response to COVID-19, the Bishop Paiute Tribal Council approved the closure of the Bishop Paiute Tribal Offices and Construction Projects until the end of March 2020. An evaluation and decision of re-opening will be made at or around March 30, 2020.

March 24, 2020 – After review of Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers and contractor guidance in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Bishop Paiute Tribal Council approved to re-instate the construction projects with all precautions as outlined in the contractor guidance and CDC recommendations in place effective immediately.

March 24, 2020 Passed Resolution T2020-24 - To Proclaim an emergency declaration of the public threat due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic for the Bishop Reservation.

March 24, 2020 Passed Resolution T2020-25 to Approve the State of California Proposed Voluntary Resolution Referencing the Disease Commonly Referred to as COVID-19.

March 31, 2020 – T2020-26 Approve submission to North American Native Fishes Association – Gerald C. Corcoran Education Grant Program – for EMO

The Bishop Paiute Tribal Council is keenly aware of the decisions they have made and the protections that have been put in place for our membership from this deadly virus (COVID-19). The impacts to one of our most valuable resources of revenue, the Paiute Palace Casino, will have an obvious effect on tribal operations, which includes per capita.

Throughout the past several weeks there have been numerous teleconferences in which each of the tribal council and tribal administration have joined at one level or another. Many of the calls revolve around legislation in which tribal governments are eligible for funding during and in response to the COVID-19.

For example:

- Tribal Administration and Public Works - California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) & FEMA.
- Tribal Council and Administration – majority of conference calls are legislative with Department of Interior, US Treasury and numerous consultants.
- Vice-Chairman Denver - DHHS, Secretary Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC); ACF, Tribal Advisory Committee (TAC); CA Dept. of Social Services, Tribal Advisory Committee, CA Tribal Nations Grant Fund Panel with Governor Newsome’s Office.

Bishop Paiute Tribe Department Updates

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Bishop Paiute Tribe continues to be fully operational. Bishop Paiute Tribe continues to encourage social distancing practices by keeping our offices closed to the public with a possible re-opening of May 4, 2020. We continue to maintain low numbers of essential staff in the office and are promoting the ability of staff to work from home.

Current Operations per Department/Program:

Bishop Paiute Development Corporation (BPDC)

The BPDC located at 270 N. See Vee Lane, Bishop, CA will remain operational Monday through Friday 8:00AM-5:00PM, closed 12:00PM-1:00PM daily, however will be closed to public. Payments will not be accepted in-person, please provide payment via mail or slide through main door. If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Beau Romero, Interim BPDC Director at (760)-872-1224 or by Tribal email Beau.Romero@bishoppaiute.org.

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Bishop Paiute Gas Station (BPGS)

The BPGS will remain operational with modified business hours, Monday through Sunday 6:00AM – 10:00PM. Questions, contact Rhonda Willis, BPGS Manager at (760)-937-0774 or by email Rhonda.Willis@bishoppaiute.org.

Community Development Department (CDD)

The CDD administrative office, located at 48 Tu Su Lane, Bishop, CA is operational Monday through Friday 8:00AM – 4:00PM, closed 12:00PM – 1:00PM daily. Questions? Contact Rena Tibbitts, CDD Director at (760)-937-1835 or by Tribal email Rena.Tibbitts@bishoppaiute.org.

Cultural Center (CC)

The CC located 2300 W. Line Street, Bishop, CA is currently closed to the public to ensure safety of all community and non-community members. Questions? Contact Tara Frank, Cultural Center Director at (760)-920-1177 or by Tribal email Tara.Frank@bishoppaiute.org.

Education Center

The Education Center continues to offer family support and student support by providing virtual tutoring. If your child is enrolled at the education center, please make sure you have contact with their assigned tutor to assist in educational goals and assignments during this time. Staff will be working with families and maintain collaboration and communication with teachers, liaisons, parents and students from home. College and career counseling is still being provided. *Follow us on Facebook – Bishop Indian Education Center!* Questions? Call 760-873-5740.

Elders

The Elders Program is currently closed to the public; however, we are still here for our Tribal Elders. The Elders Program is currently assisting Elders with picking up medications, connecting Elders to valuable resources and getting essential items to our Elders who are at home. Donations of hand sanitizer, hand soap, disinfectant wipes, bleach, paper towels, canned and non-perishable foods are also welcome. All donated items are given to Tribal Elders. For more information please contact Elder's Program at (760)873-3052, (760)784-4947 or email Emma.Williams@bishoppaiute.org.

Enrollment

Enrollment operations are on pause until further notice. If you need a tribal ID, proof of enrollment, please contact Teresa Martinez by email and she can get this or you. Enrollment cards will be mailed out, Enrollment Card applications are online at <http://www.bishoppaiutetribe.com/tribal-enrollment.html>. Please also include a clear photo of yourself when requesting an Enrollment card and please only use black pens when signing your name in the box. We are currently not giving out new Enrollment applications or currently accepting them. For more information please contact Teresa Martinez at (760)920-3830 or email Teresa.Martinez@bishoppaiute.org.

Environmental Management Office (EMO)

The EMO will remain partially operational Monday through Friday 8:00AM-5:00PM, closed 12:00PM-1:00PM daily however closed to public. Questions? Contact Brian Adkins, EMO Director at (760)-784-1423 or by Tribal email Brian.Adkins@bishoppaiute.org.

Family Formation

Continuing to offer much needed services including but not limited to creation of curriculum and lesson plans related to family activities, games, language lessons, family history projects, physical activities and wellness. more information please contact Katrina Martinez at (760)920-5922 or email Katrina.Martinez@bishoppaiute.org.

Fiscal

We continue to fully operate remotely.

Accounts Payable:

- 1- To encourage our vendors to sign up for our ACH payment type to pay them (similar to Direct Deposit)
- 2- For those who receive Per Capita and Voter Distribution, we will also offer direct deposit or prepaid cards for those who don't have a bank account.

Accounts Receivable:

- 1- Pay-by-phone service has been implemented and ready. Customers do not have to come to the window for payment anymore. All customers are encouraged to call (760) 873-3577 to make any type of payment (BITC, BPDC, and CDD)

Head Start

School closed throughout the remainder of the school year. Head Start continues to serve students by offering free meals to our youth (0-18 years) You must pick up the meals at the Head Start building Monday-Friday 8:00-9:30am. Educational activities are provided to head start students while they are home. For more information please contact Susie Cisneros at (760)937-6735 or email Susie.Cisneros@bishoppaiute.org. *Follow us on Facebook – Bishop Indian Head Start!*

Human Resources

HR continues to advertise for open positions. For more information please contact Katie.Manuelito@bishoppaiute.org or Stacey.Dewey@bishoppaiute.org.

Public Works Department

If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Peter Bernasconi, Public Works Director at (760)-920-7109 or by Tribal email Peter.Bernasconi@bishoppaiute.org or Sonja Velarde, Public Works Administrative Assistant at (760)-937-2988 or by Tribal email Sonja.Velarde@bishoppaiute.org.

Social Services

Social Services is open to the public Monday thru Friday 8:00am-5:00pm, closed for lunch 12:00-1:00pm. If possible, call and schedule an appointment prior to ensure proper staff are available to help meet your needs.

RAVE: Our 24/7 hotline 760-873-9018 is operational to provide victim services, victim referrals, and/or crisis intervention. Staff will respond primarily by phone but will meet in person on a case by case basis. Please continue to call 911 in case of an emergency.

Social Services: LIHEAP and Emergency Shelter Applications are found at

<http://www.bishoppaiutetribe.com/social-services.html>. If you need Child Care Assistance or would like to apply for the BIA General Assistance Program, please visit our office to pick up and submit an application. Completed applications can be emailed to Pamela.Martinez@bishoppaiute.org.

ICWA: Continues to support Tribal children and families involved in the welfare system.

For more information please contact Social Services at (760)873-7799 or email Lori.Simpson@bishoppaiute.org.

TERO

TERO staff will continue to work with Contractors over phone/email on Compliance Plan Agreements for current projects. TERO will continue to monitor reservation to make sure no work is conducted without an approved CPA, with no interaction. TERO will continue to enforce the TERO Ordinance. Contact Susie.West@bishoppaiute.org for further information.

Tribal Court

All court forms are found online at <http://www.bishoppaiutetribe.com/tribal-court.html>. To submit court documents please email, fax, mail, or utilize the drop box (to be installed soon). Judge LaRance will only be hearing protection orders or on a case by case basis via teleconferencing. For more information contact Annette Apalatea at (760)784-9297 or email Annette.Apalatea@bishoppaiute.org.

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO)

If you have questions or concerns about culturally sensitive topics, please contact Monty Bengochia at (760)-784-4085 or by Tribal email Monty.Bengochia@bishoppaiute.org.

Tribal Police

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the we have modified our schedule. We are mainly working Monday thru Friday to better coordinate with our partners. Our dispatch number both day and night is (760) 873-4477. However, it is very important that in the event of an emergency that one calls 911 for immediate assistance. Email Eri-ca.Williams@bishoppaiute.org if you have any questions.

Wellness Center

Wellness Center is currently closed to the public and volunteers. Questions? Contact Rosalie.Fimbres@bishoppaiute.org

Bishop Paiute Tribal Offices – Closed to the Public – Services Continue Quick Guide phone numbers

Manahuu – we would first like to thank our community for the support and understanding you have given us during this global pandemic. Although the offices are closed to the public, services are still being offered. Please contact the department by telephone to set up an appointment or if you have any questions:

TRIBAL HOUSING MAINTENANCE

Please contact: Richard Barlow 760-937-0167 or Tennille Torres 760-937-1077.

TRIBAL ROADS, WATER AND SEWER EMERGENCIES

Please contact: Peter Bernasconi at 760-920-7109, Dan Stone at 760-937-1289, David Weaver at 760-920-5942 or Sonja Velarde 760-937-2988.

TRIBAL POLICE Please call David Blackeye or Erica Williams at 760-873-4477.

Leave a message and they will get back to you.

TRIBAL MAINTENANCE Please call

Mitch David at 760-937-3768.

FISCAL OFFICE – Please call 760-873-3577.

Currently, the fiscal office is closed. All late fees are waived. A system of accepting payments is forthcoming. All April 2020 water, sewer & irrigation payments will be waived.

Tribal Administration

Please contact Sydney Ariaz at 760-784-4312 or email sydney.ariaz@bishoppaiute.org to schedule an appointment for all DMV and sales tax exemptions. You can also take a photo of the form you need filled out and send it to her. Sydney can process the form and you can pick it up at an arranged time.



Public Works Department Information Notice

Tribal Member Waiver of Water, Sewer and, Irrigation Fees for the Month of March which are due in April 2020

During the COVID-19 pandemic and loss of work for many members of our community, the Public Works Department would like to thank Tribal Council for waiving Water, Sewer and, Irrigation fees for the month of March 2020 which are fees that are due in April 2020. This waiver includes Bishop Paiute Tribal Members for their residential unit. It does not apply to non-members or commercial business including Trailer Parks or other rentals.

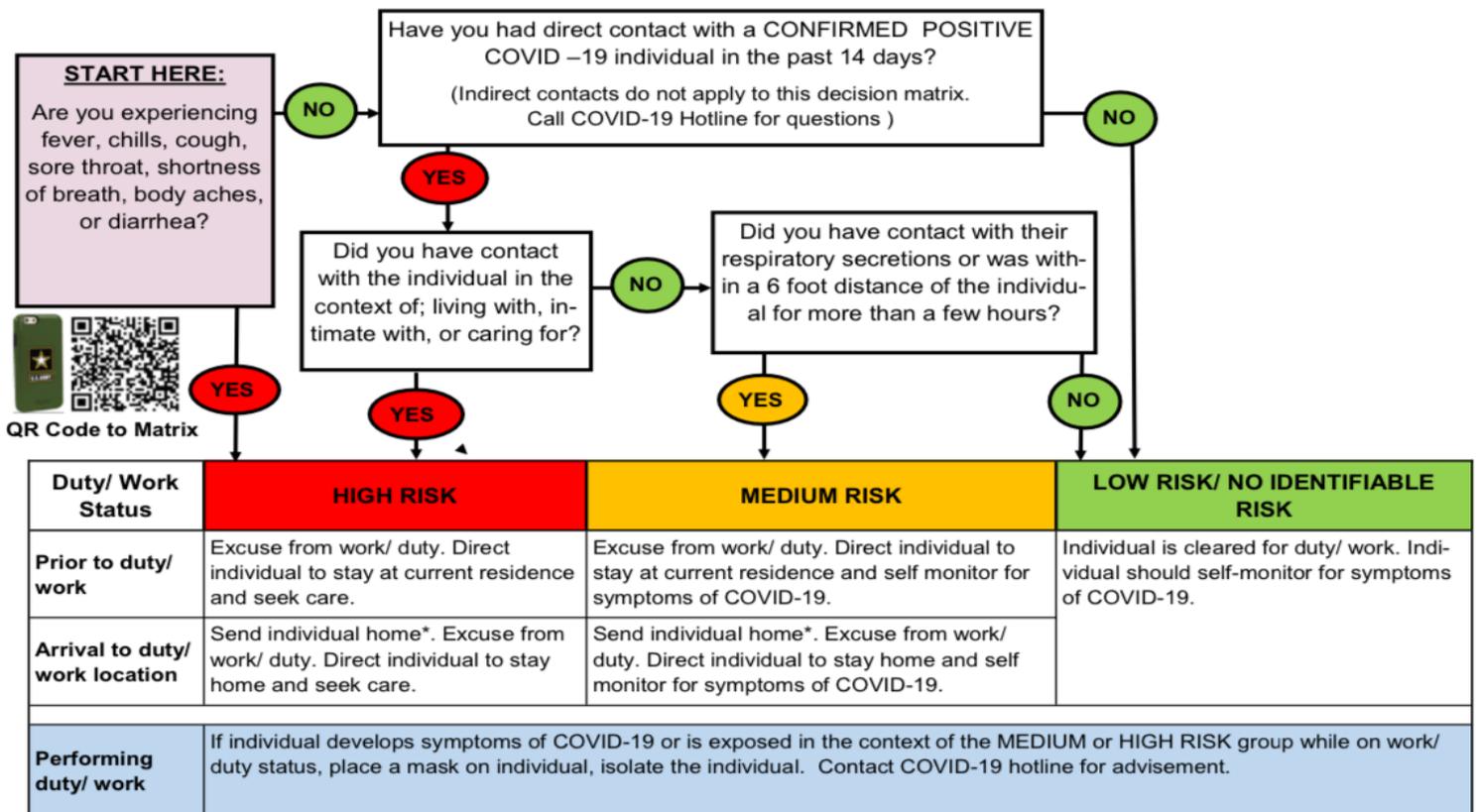
In addition, those accounts that are currently delinquent and are on the shut-off list will not be shut-off through the month of April 2020 and late fees will be waived for all accounts for the month of March 2020 because of the difficulty making payments in March and April 2020.

Again, Thank you Tribal Council.

If you have questions, please our office at 760-873-6638 as ask for Sonja Velarde or Peter Bernasconi or email at

peter.bernasconi@bishoppaiute.org sonja.velarde@bishoppaiute.org or pearl.vega@bishoppaiute.org

CA COVID-19 Risk Assessment and Command Decision Matrix



To prevent COVID-19 it is safest to avoid physical contact when greeting. Safe greetings include a wave, a nod, or a bow.

How should I greet another person to avoid catching the new coronavirus?



World Health Organization

#Coronavirus #COVID19

9 March 2020

Yes. Respiratory viruses can be passed by shaking hands and touching your eyes, nose and mouth.

Greet people with a wave, a nod or a bow instead.

Should I avoid shaking hands because of the new coronavirus?



World Health Organization

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No. Regularly washing your bare hands offers more protection against catching COVID-19 than wearing rubber gloves.

You can still pick up COVID-19 contamination on rubber gloves. If you then touch your face, the contamination goes from your glove to your face and can infect you.

Is wearing rubber gloves while out in public effective in preventing the new coronavirus infection?



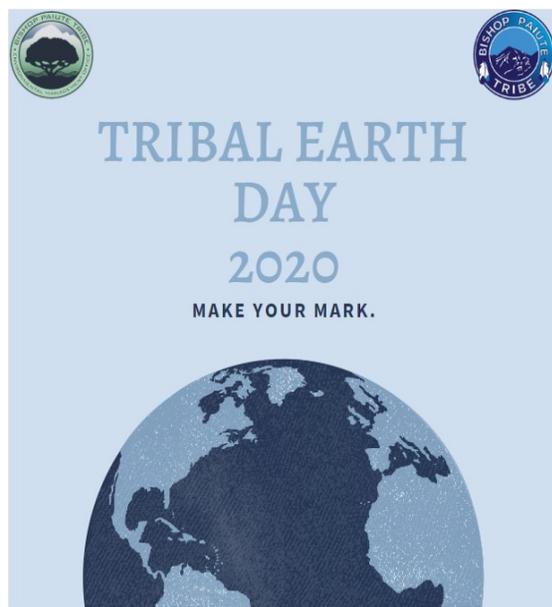
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As a community, we have all been adapting to a new normal. The annual Tribal Earth Day and Spring Market is no different. With large gatherings not feasible this year, that does not mean that we should not continue with the tradition of celebrating Earth Day. The Environmental Management Office of the Bishop Paiute Tribe is honored to adjust our annual gathering and offer the community a virtual way of participating. The week of Earth Day a virtual magazine and map of cleanup locations around the reservation will be released! The magazine will contain ideas to support the environment, articles from community members on their efforts, and activities you can complete at home to create a more sustainable life. In keeping with annual cleanup efforts, there will be a map to reference for sites that need cleanup, and raffles will still be offered upon completion of a site cleanup! We look forward to your participation, and stay tuned on the Earth Day magazine and map distribution on social media, radio announcements, and other Tribal messages! Please contact Abby

Evans at Abigail.evans@bishoppaiute.org or (760)920-5525 with any questions or comments.



Irrigation Season 2020 Update

Manahuu,

We hope everyone is healthy and staying safe during these uncertain times. We are right in the middle of Springtime. With the temperatures starting to warm up and the days begin to grow longer, it is refreshing to see the start of the Irrigation Season. The season began Wednesday April 1, 2020 bringing the irrigation infrastructure into full operation. We will run in full operation throughout the next 7 months ending October 31, 2020.

The first month always starts off slow to prevent accidental flooding and to ensure that the system is operating without any issues. After the first one or two rounds we will increase the flows accordingly. Irrigation will be operating 7 days a week 24 hours a day and will continue to keep the community informed and updated. You will see Public Works staff throughout the reservation during regular business hours and at times into the evening. They are available to answer any questions you may have. If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact the Public Works office at (760)-873-6638 or David Weaver at (760)-920-5942. Follow us on our social media page @tribal_irrigator (Instagram) or Tribal Irrigator on Facebook for updates.

2020 Tuhidda na Koinui - ti Program

(Deer Hunting)

Recap:

On January 21, 2020: The Bishop Paiute Tribal Council signed a historic Agreement with California Department of Fish and Wildlife. This MOA reflects the understanding that the Bishop Paiute Tribe and CDFW exercise their own unique authorities to protect wildlife resources. CDFW recognized that this government-to-government agreement is a productive and efficient way to honor the Tribe's effort to preserve its culture and well-being through the Tribe's tradition of hunting mule deer (genus *Odocoileus*).

The Agreement identifies the process for the Tribe to take up to twelve (12) deer for individual take and up to four (4) deer for cultural education purposes per year .

The Bishop Paiute Tribe will have applications available on June 22, 2020 in the Reception area. As a reminder, all applicants are required to submit their application with their draw status. CDFW applicants may look up their drawing results around the third week of June (6/15/20 - 6/19/20) by entering their customer information on CDFW's website at www.ca.wildlifelicenses.com/ InternetSales and click on "View My Draw Application/Preference Points" at the top of the page, then print draw results and submit along with Tribal application.

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to disrupt our way of life, we are determined to honor the following deadlines:

⇒ Application submission: 7/17/2020

⇒ Tribal Lottery: 7/24/2020

If any changes are made within the Tribe or CDFW due to COVID-19, we will notify the Tribal community at our earliest convenience.

Should you have questions or concerns, please contact the Administration Department at 760-873-3584.

Children and Technology



1. Relationships and Social Skills Issues

Kids are using mobile devices more and more, and they can become addicted to this, not spending enough time with their family and/or friends. They are more likely to be virtually connected with friends and have trouble with friendships and relationships in real life.

The new generation is growing up playing games online, accessing websites (sometimes harmful websites), chatting online on Facebook, sharing photos on Instagram and Snapchat and so on. It doesn't mean that spending time online is a bad thing, but spending too much time online can really weaken the bond between the parents and the child.

2. Health Problems

The overuse of mobile devices can be harmful to children's health. The more they use mobile devices, the less physical activities they do. The problem is that playing games online is combined with snacking, substituting the balanced alimentation. As children spend more time in front of those screens, most of the time on the couch, less time they spend outside playing, running and burning off calories. Over time, those habits can lead to a significant weight gain. To prevent it from becoming a habit, parents can talk with their children about parental controls and use Screen Guide App to balance screen time or use a timer so lessen screen time. Remember: it's important to balance the quality and quantity of the time they spend on digital devices. Technology can have an impact on children's speech. Children have had a hard time focusing at school because their use to the vivid, instant gratifications that video games cause.

3. Browsing Online Can Be Dangerous

While browsing online we often face harmful things such as phishing, virus and other dangers disguised as advertising. Most of the adults know it and can easily avoid them, but what about our children? Sometimes even the advert can be harmless to them. A study from 2005 says that 70% of teens aged between 15-17 have accidentally stumbled across pornography online. What about nowadays?

The children can go online and search for anything. But with the right monitoring, they will not access dangers websites, avoiding to meet dangerous people. Keep in mind that you can always guide your children to avoid those dangers.

One way to help children to be safe online is to use parental controls and Internet filtering tools to select the content they are able to access or even block browsers for as long as you consider it is appropriated.

4. Mobile Device Overuse Reduce Sleep Quality

According to the article "Kids Are Being Kept Awake by Their Phones Even When They're Not Using Them" over 72% of all children have at least one device in their bedroom. JAMA Pediatrics published a study with the big question: Is there an association between screen-based media device access or use in the sleep environment, and sleep quantity and quality?.

Well, they found out that there is a strong and consistent evidence of a link between mobile devices overuse and reduced sleep quality. Our children are sleeping less than they should, but what's the matter with it?

A lack of sleep can have serious consequences on our brain. During the sleep, the brain does some "housekeeping" tasks, clearing things that aren't important and restoring the nerves networks to wake up again ready for a brand new day. But sleeping less means that we're depriving our brain of its essential needs and we will struggle on our activities during the day.

5. Is Your Smartphone Affecting Your Relationship With Your Kids?

Take a time to think about it, have you checked your phone for notifications how many times? How many times did you open WhatsApp, WeChat, Facebook, or Instagram when you're with your children? Well, most of the people we know, do this many times, after all, mobile devices are great to overcome boredom. But checking out mobile devices for notifications when we're around children has its downsides. According to a study published by University of Michigan Health System, "Parents' use of mobile technology around young children may be causing internal tension, conflicts and negative interactions with their kids".

Children see, children do. Dr. Jenny Radesky, says that children "...learn by watching us how to have a conversation, how to read other people's facial expressions. And if that's not happening, children are missing out on important development milestones.". For more information: ScreenGuide.com

Some of the plans of making family time even better are to get the time to reconnect with children. Use ScreenGuide Parental Control App to balance your child's screen time and spend more offline time with them. Take the time to be with them, and do the stressful tasks later, when you're not with your children.

What are the problems you're facing and what do you do to prevent it? Share and comment our article so we can keep making good stuff for you!

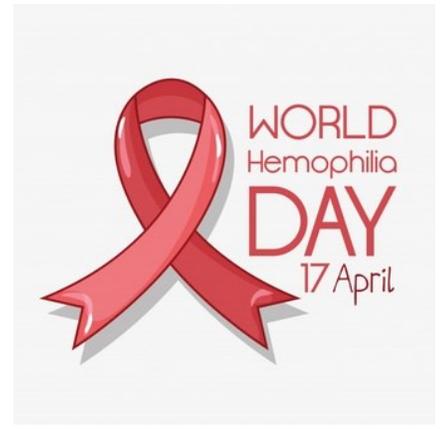
World Hemophilia Day 2020

Friday, April 17, 2020 Wear Red for World Hemophilia Day

My Name is Raymond Garcia, I am 5 Years old and I am a Bishop Paiute Tribal Member and I have Hemophilia Severe A. I am missing Factor 8 and my mom gives me infusions at home 3 times a week. On Friday April 17th I ask my community to wear red for World Hemophilia Day and show support and bring awareness of Hemophilia and the bleeding disorder community. I would love for you to take a picture and post to social media with the hashtag **#worldhemophiliaday**

World Hemophilia day is an International day of observance set by the World Federation of Hemophilia to raise awareness for Hemophilia and bleeding disorders.

Hemophilia is a rare Genetic Bleeding Disorder that prevents the blood from clotting normally. People with Hemophilia are missing an important protein needed for clotting blood. People with Hemophilia bleed easily and the bleed takes longer to clot. People with hemophilia can experience internal bleeding and often painful, swollen joints due to bleeding into the joints. There is currently no cure for Hemophilia but there are treatments where Factor is given to replace the missing proteins letting people with Hemophilia live long, healthy, normal lives. Hemophilia affects 1 in 5,000 Male Births, and Raymond is the only one with Hemophilia in Inyo and Mono Counties.



Manahuu,
My name is Adrienne Dondero- Small. I am a Bishop tribal member, as well as Mono Lake Paiute. I have 2 children, Jazmyn 17 and Jacob 10, who are both attending Bishop Schools. I am the granddaughter of Violet Dondero, the daughter of the late Sheryl Dondero, Granddaughter of the late John Dondero Jr, and Great Granddaughter of the late Dorothy Andrews. I recently moved back from Clovis CA, where I worked with public housing for the last 2 years. I look forward to working with CDD and the tribal community.



Adrienne Dondero-Small
Collections Clerk

Proposed 2020 Tribal Distribution Dates	Payment Deadline to avoid deductions	Deduction Priority	Last Day to Register to Vote
Q1 V. Dist. 2/19/2020	2/10/2020	CDD	1/21/2020
April Per Cap 4/15/2020	4/6/2020	BITC	
Q2 V. Dist. 5/20/2020	5/11/2020	CDD	4/22/2020
Q3 V. Dist. 8/19/2020	8/10/2020	BITC	7/20/2020
Q4 V. Dist. 11/18/2020	11/9/2020	CDD	10/19/2020
Dec Per Cap 12/10/2020	12/4/2020	BITC	

The Bishop Paiute Tribal Court welcomes Ambrosia Stone, as the new Tribal Court Project Coordinator



How-Muh, Nu Ambrosia Stone, Me-na-ne-uh. Nu yatu Cu-Ui watuu. Hello, my name is Ambrosia Stone, I am member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe of Pyramid Lake, Nevada. I was born and raised here in the Owens Valley, with time away having served in the U.S. NAVY. This includes 2 deployments; WESTPAC, Iraq and Afghanistan. After my honorable discharge, I then completed my degree in Social Sciences with a minor in Criminal Justice. When returning home to the Owens Valley, I worked for the Bishop Paiute Tribe's Education Center in their Administration Department and later began employment with The Owens Valley Career Development Center as a Case Counselor, Tribal TANF for 3 years and a Site Manager, Tribal TANF for 2 years. During that time, I also self-contracted as a Qualified Expert Witness (QEW) for American Indian families, custody/guardianship cases here in the Inyo County. As a QEW, I assisted families to maintain or regain custody or guardianship of their children or provided expert testimony to have children placed in the homes of relatives on the reservation. Through my previous positions of employment, I've learned a variety of skills such as; Project Management, Records Keeping, Budget Planning and Monitoring as well as a variety of skills and knowledge in working in Social Services. As of January 2020, I have re-enrolled for my 2nd degree program in Criminal Justice with a focus on Court procedures and protocol as well as Project Management through Southern New Hampshire University. As the new Tribal Court Project Coordinator for the Bishop Paiute Tribe, I am thankful and excited to take on a new position and hope to serve in this position to the best of my abilities.



Pesa' U (Thank You),
Ambrosia Stone

Community Development Department/Housing "dedicated to improving the quality of life for the Bishop Paiute Tribal members"

RENTAL OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT/DIRT DELIVERY—An Equipment Rental Request form must be completed and approved first before receiving services. Before any rental agreement will be approved, applicant must be in good standing with all tribal accounts. Rental equipment/dirt delivery will be scheduled where there is not a conflict with any on going CDD projects. Applications are available at the CDD office.

2020 REMINDERS

- *Annual Re-verifications are past due
- *Updated housing applications due starting in January of each year.

ANNUAL HOME INSPECTIONS

Annual inspections will be postponed until further notice. If you have a maintenance item that needs attention please call CDD and request a work order.
760-872-4356

Beautification project for CMA & ATA TENANTS

If your family is interested in a planter box for this spring/summer season please contact the CDD office. Tenant will be responsible for maintaining and up keep of their own box.



NEW HOUSING MANAGEMENT OFFICER

Hello Tribal Families. Many of you know me as the Collections/Clerk person here at CDD. Starting in December 2019, I am happy to announce that I have taken on the position of CDD Housing Management Officer. I have worked for CDD Housing since 2006 and I look forward to continuing to work with our Tribal families at a different level. Please feel free to stop by or call with any housing questions or concerns you have.

- Tennille Torres - HMO

“Honoring our Native Veterans”



ART CHALLENGE

DUE DATE: May, 15th 2020 by 6pm

PROJECT: Artwork depicting our Native American Veterans (“Honoring our Native Veterans”)

If selected, 1st - \$400; 2nd - \$300;
3rd - consolation prize

Guidelines:

- Artists must be a tribal member from one of the Owens Valley Paiute or Shoshone tribes
- 18 year or older
- To be Hand Drawn—Ink, Paint, Chalk (no computer art)
- Art shall be at least 11x14 in size (Art will be scanned and stretched to canvas)

To be permanently displayed at the Owens Valley Paiute Shoshone Cultural Center.



Form and specific instructions can be picked up at the Cultural Center, 2300 West Line st.

Questions please call 760.873.8844



ANNOUNCEMENT

The Cultural Center continues to work on Veteran Exhibit and archives.

Just a thought ... Use this social distancing time to dig into your pictures, organize, and share with your family. If you need to digitize them, we can help. Use this time prepare your albums and select ones you would like to share. The Cultural Center would like to please preserve, and share your story.

If you or your family would like to house veteran memorabilia or uniforms let us know. We have space within the museum to display items and also a few archival grade cases to ensure their safety over time.



Questions, please call 760.873.8844

Vendor Opportunities

- ♦ **SPRING MARKET: Postponed**
- ♦ **MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND: PENDING**
- ♦ **TAATSAWANO: PENDING**

For more information call the Cultural Center at 760-873-8844

ARE YOU A COLLEGE GRADUATE?

The Cultural Center is looking for our tribal member college graduates to showcase at the Cultural Center. If you are a tribal member from one of the Owens Valley tribes (Bishop, Big Pine, Ft. Independence, Lone Pine, Timbisha, or Benton); and graduated from a 2-year or 4-year college/university, we'd love to include you in the showcase!



At this time, please send your: name, college attended, program studied and/or degree obtained, and your picture. Submissions and updates can be emailed to tara.frank@bishoppaiute.org; text message to 760.920.1177

This will be an ongoing archival effort for the Cultural Center in documenting our tribal communities accomplishments. If you have any questions, please call the Cultural Center 760.873.8844





OVCDC is seeking a small committed group of individuals that are active in language and cultural programs

OVCDC/BISHOP LANGUAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Owens Valley Career Development Center
2574 Diaz Lane • P.O. Box 847 • Bishop, California 93514
Phone: 760.873.5107 Fax: 760.873.4107

TAKE PART IN: *Assessing the need for language learning that is currently offered or is needed.*

The OVCDC/Bishop Language Advisory Committee will provide advocacy and advice for language & cultural services while considering perspectives of the Program and funding sources.

This Committee will play an important role with development of goals and objectives for the Bishop community.

- **Requesting commitment of 1 year**
- **Meetings will be held bi-monthly**

If you are interested please submit the Letter of Interest form by April 30, 2020



Meetings/Events are subject to cancellation and/or change

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 <i>Payments Due to Avoid Per Capita Deductions</i>	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Per Capita Mailed	16	17 WORLD HEMOPHILIA DAY	18
19	20	21 Commodities 7am-12 Noon Cultural Center	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

BOARD & COMMITTEE VACANCIES

- TERO Commission— One (1) Member
- TEPA Committee— Two (2) Members
- Tribal Court Committee— Five (5) Members
- Enrollment Committee— One (1) Member
- Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)— Two (2) Members
- Tribal Scholarship Committee— One (1) Member

Requirements to Apply

**All Committees are paid Honorariums*

- MUST BE A BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBAL MEMBER
- MUST BE INTERESTED IN SERVING THE TRIBAL COMMUNITY
- MUST SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTENT TO THE TRIBAL OFFICE

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