Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes
Youth Summit for Tribal Youth

Latoya Lonelodge
Staff Reporter

May 28, 2021 - Media Release

CONCHO, OK (The American Rescue Plan (ARP) approved enacted by U.S. President Joe Biden included $31.2 billion to be paid to Native American tribes throughout the U.S. Each tribe received a portion of the $31.2 billion based on their enrollment numbers and the number of employees each tribe employed.

A breakdown of the funds distributed included: $20 billion for Tribal governments to combat COVID-19, including funding to assist Tribal community safety-net programs, $6 billion for the Indian Health Services for vaccinations, mental and behavioral health, urban health centers, third-party medical billing reimbursements and other needs, $900 million for Bureau of Indian Affairs programs such as Tribal government services and potable water delivery, over $1.1 billion for Native education programs, including the Bureau of Indian Education schools, Tribal education agencies and Tribal colleges and universities, $1.2 billion for Housing and Urban Development Tribal housing programs, $20 million to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on Native languages through language preservation and maintenance grants and 3.3 million for Tribal community efforts to combat domestic violence.

Tribes have until Dec. 31, 2024 to spend the funds.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes announced they had received their initial ARP disbursement in the amount of $61,781,945.09 on Friday, May 28, 2021. The initial distribution was formulated through the pro rata share of the total certified tribal enrollment. The second distribution will be based on Tribal citizenship numbers.

In a press release, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Gov. Reggie Wassana stated, “Unlike the CARES funds, the ARP funding allows the Tribes greater flexibility and planning, and with this amount we can address the needs of all Tribal citizens.”

All Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal members are eligible for this one-time assistance based on need. All applications will be verified. All checks will be mailed—no exceptions.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE PROCESSED—PLEASE COMPLETE APPLICATION IN ITS ENTIRETY.

DEADLINE TO APPLY IS AUGUST 2, 2021

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PAWHUSKA, OK) Yukonna Henry was confident prior to the race and jubilant afterward, raising a finger in the “No. 1” gesture as she galloped past a packed grandstand at the Osage County Fairgrounds.

Riding Mitchell County, a thoroughbred affectionately known as Mitch, the 18-year-old from Little Eagle, S.D., had just won the maiden championship, a women’s bareback event.

It was the final day of competition in the international championships of Indian Relay Horse Racing, held from May 27-31.

Indian Relay is America’s oldest known competition, according to the website Native America Travel. The signature event involves riders who circle the track three times and change horses for each loop, leaping from each horse while it is still galloping.

The Pawhuska event also attracted riders by holding a women’s relay, hide races and children’s pony competitions.

Henry, who is Lakota Sioux, said she was 2 when she first climbed on a horse, and friends got her interested in racing. She was wearing with pride a belt buckle won last year in Casper, Wyoming, in the Championships of Champions event.

Jama Bourne, of Crow Creek, S.D., who with her parents owns Mitchell County and other racehorses, said she is happy she and her father, Michael

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Yukonna Henry gestures the #1 sign to the packed grandstands after crossing the finish line at the Indian Relay Horse Races held in Osage County May 27-31, 2021. (Photo / Logan Dunn)

By Kimberly Burk, Tribal Tribune Correspondent

Indian Relay Horse Races Championships Come to Oklahoma

Department of Housing
Damon Dunbar

Executive Director

U.S. Department of Treasury - 2021 Emergency Rental Assistance

The Emergency Rental Assistance Program is taking applications for all enrolled Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal members who live in-state or out-of-state who were affected by COVID-19 pandemic. If you had a job loss or reduced income, and currently renting your home, apartment, or condo, please take time to request an application. The Housing Authority will assist tribal members who have fallen behind in their rent and utilities to help families become current.

For rental assistance provide a copy of your lease agreement with your landlord, no pet deposits and monthly past fees will be paid.

For utility assistance provide copies of utility bills. Eligible utilities include electricity, gas, water and sewer, and energy costs such as propane. No telephone or cable services are eligible under this program. Internet services will be paid for those with school age children and young adults attending college or vocational school.

For arrears provide copies of late notices from your landlord or utility company; arrears for utilities and rent will only be approved back as far as March 15, 2020 and must be shown to be COVID-19 pandemic related. Payments and payment arrangements will be made DIRECTLY with landlords and utility companies once all documents are turned in. NO exceptions. Applicants must provide current proof of income.

PLEASE NOTE:

- APPLICANT INCOME CANNOT EXCEED 80% OF HUD'S FAMILY MEDIAN INCOME AS PER CHART BELOW. UNLESS AREA INCOME IS MORE ADVANTAGEOUS TO APPLICANT.
- HOUSERSHARKS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE MORTGAGE, UTILITIES, OR ENERGY COST ASSISTANCE.
- APPLICANT CANNOT RECEIVE DUPLICATE ASSISTANCE FROM OTHER FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES.

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2300 Dog Patch Road, Clinton, OK 73601 | 580-331-2400 Direct | 405-422-5774 Fax
Despite the COVID-19 pandemic holding back many of the proposed events and activities for the past year or so, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes have managed to continue with the R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program. This community-based, hands-on program aims to bring back sports and recreation programs that were once popular among the youth and communities. Since opening, the program has been able to make their high school team, to try to help players build fundamentals, and develop them as a basketball player. 

“By this time the schools have already been playing in their tourneys and basketball programs, so we just decided that we start doing try outs and slowly being able to start practicing again,” James said.

In working with the COVID-19 task force and Charlotte Wansano, who is the executive director, the program was able to determine how to keep their facility during practices by allowing testing of the young.

“It’s been a long road of trying to figure out if we should do this, if we should not do this. I’m waiting on our older activities because I don’t know if it’s fully the right time to also start our older activities again because I know our youth and our community youth and their upcoming activities by allowing testing of the young,”

In bringing R.E.Sp.E.C.T. basketball back, Teresa Dorsett, Director of Administration executive director, said the program recently reintroduced the competitive basketball program with several major goals in mind.

“To be more inclusive, more focused on development of athletes, and to add a life skills philosophy to the program. We want it to be about more than just winning tournaments and games,” Dorsett said.

“Basketball, Dorsett said, can help students and having a continuous relationship through practices, tournaments, skills development activities, and other social activities, the program can hold for a solid foundation for not only success on the court, but in life.”

“Today’s youth, especially with the instantaneous gratification mentality, are sometimes missing the concept of hard work, fundamental of basketball, team work, and overall good sportsmanship,” Dorsett said.

In recognizing that not all tribal youth are competitive athletes, other activities are underway aimed to keep youth in a meaningful and positive way.

“This summer the program will hold summer STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) camps, these will be held in various community youth sports and recreation programs and other social activities, the program is being planned for the summer months,” Dorsett said.

With the opening of the program, James said Jerilyn Longknife, 称中华女性会山部落为中华女性会，但他未提到自己的名字。
## Preliminary Listing of Candidates

In accordance with the Constitution of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes and the Election Law for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, the Election Commission opened nominations for elective office to qualified candidates on May 3, 2021 and closed on June 1, 2021. Below is the list of PRELIMINARY candidates released by the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes’ Election Commission.

Please keep in mind, the PRELIMINARY listing is prior to all background checks, tax records, debt records and criminal history checks. The FINAL list of candidates, who clear all background check protocols will be released Aug. 15, 2021.

### GOVERNOR / LT. GOVERNOR:

- **Gov. Reggie Wassana, Incumbent**
- **Lt. Gov. Gib Miles, Incumbent**
- **Cornell Sankey / Jeffrey Elizondo**
- **Betty Gould / Debra Gould**
- **Wilma Blackbear / Roberta Hamilton**

### LEGISLATURE:

#### Arapaho District 1
- Roni Allen Villeda
- Diane Willis
- Debra Woolworth
- Kenny Williams

#### Arapaho District 2
- Kendricks Sleeper, Incumbent
- Joaquin Lonelodge
- Dale Hamilton Sr.
- Myra Campbell

#### Cheyenne District 1
- George Woods, Incumbent
- Frances White Thunder
- Melvin Roman Nose
- Clifton Ellis
- Chris Patton
- Marian Roman Nose Jr.
- Alan Fletcher
- Rollin (Eddie) Hamilton
- Sequoyah Locust

#### Cheyenne District 2
- Byron Byrd, Incumbent
- Tiffany Bullcoming
- Delfred White Crow
- Francine Bullcoming
- Rosemary Armendariz

### ELECTION COMMISSION:

#### Arapaho District 3
- Pat Smothers, Incumbent
- Doris Thunderbull
- Cody Zimmer

#### Arapaho District 4
- Elizabeth Birdshead, Incumbent

#### Cheyenne District 1
- Sandra Hinshaw, Incumbent
- Janet Bullcoming
- Frederick Blackbear

#### Cheyenne District 3
- Ramona Welch, Incumbent
- Jason Hines
- Angelene Reynolds-Lime

### TENTATIVE POLLING SITES

POLLING SITES will be Confirmed Prior to Elections

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#### QUALIFICATIONS

**GOVERNOR/LT. GOVERNOR**

- The Minimum Qualifications for Governor and Lt. Governor Candidates are as follows:
  - The Candidates for Governor and Lt. Governor shall be enrolled members of the tribe, at least 35 years of age and each must possess a minimum, bachelor’s degree from an accredited school.
  - No person convicted of a felony within the last 10 years shall serve as Governor or Lt. Governor unless pardoned.
  - At the time of filing a nomination petition, the candidate shall physically reside in a voting district and if elected, reside in a voting district for the duration of their term.
  - The candidates shall submit copies of his or her Federal Income Tax returns for the previous five years and provide a written list of all his or her personal and real property.
  - The candidates cannot owe any money or debts to the tribes.
  - The Governor and Lt. Governor will run as a team.

**LEGISLATOR**

Each District Legislator shall be a registered voter in the District from which they are elected for the duration of their term; each District Legislator shall reside in a voting district and if elected, reside in a voting district for the duration of their term.

A candidate for the Office of District Legislator cannot owe any money or debts to the tribes; each District Legislator shall file a nomination petition.

**ELECTION COMMISSION**

Members of the Election Commission shall be elected from their respective districts to serve a term of four years. Election Commissioners shall possess, at a minimum, a high school degree or its equivalent. No person convicted of a felony shall serve as an Election Commissioner.

Each candidate for elective office shall file a nomination petition.

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Election Commission is located in the Education Building, Concho Campus, Rooms 106 and 107. Currently the office is open from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. The office number is, toll free 800-247-7412 ext. 2764 or you may call or message any one of the commissioners for assistance:

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Additionally, we maintained two phones at home to help stabilize the Tribes. As a result, we were able to answer calls related to COVID-19 coronavirus pan-

demic.

We guided the Tribes through the challenging times of the COVID-19 pandemic and have accomplished a lot throughout the years. I have full faith this community,

engaged in employment opportunities. One of Reggie and mine main goals and one of my top priorities is to continue these efforts until this

GOVERNOR Candidate Betty Gould

My name is Betty Gould and I have been a member of the C&A

Tribes since a very young age. My mother, the late Belva Hicks from Canton, Okla., where I processed tribal

accounting documents. I also maintained a presence at home.

I am a federal retiree. My professional career was spent in the areas of trust funds management and

accounting duties to BIA employees at the national level, provid-

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deceased.
Our ancestors were resili- ent. Our values and traditions are sustained and continue to live on across the generations. It is of utmost importance that we continue to carry on the traditions of our ancestors and the values that they taught us. We cannot afford to lose these traditions, for they are what hold us together as a community.

God has placed this responsibility in all of us to care for our tribal members, and care for each other, as they did for us. The values that our ancestors taught us must be passed on to the next generation. We cannot afford to lose what they taught us.

Thank you.
Greetings, my name is Myra L. Campbell. I am proud to be a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes and work diligently for the benefit of our tribal people.

I transferred all of our accounts, information to computers, and away from the old way of doing things. It is a very simple and easy transition to computerizing our financial records.

I believe that my education and work experience are baring the ways of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes and work diligently for the benefit of our tribal people.

I am proud of all of our leaders, especially our elected officials. Directors, Coordinators, and Tribal Judges act as our leaders and helps on our traditional side of our lives. They are tough jobs and, as they do not go unnoticed. These chiefs, they say, require thick skin, but I believe we understand each other. These conferences, we become servants to our people. Along with these delegates come good and bad opinions and comments. These are all good.

We are also erecting an Emergency Response Center (ERC) in Kingfisher. That center, as an ERC in Kingfisher, will be a positive direction. This drive has pushed us to do their best and to set a good example and encourage our younger generations.

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I am proud of the late Edward White Thunder, who was the late Jane Little Hawk, who was full blood Cheyenne. My maternal grandfather was the late John Black Hawk, who was full blood Cheyenne. My father was the late Howling Crane Black Hawk, who was full blood Cheyenne. My maternal grandmother was the late Crazy Horse Black Woman, who was full blood Cheyenne. My maternal grandmother was the late Ida Blackman White Thunder Horse, who was a full blood Cheyenne.

I have always had great respect for our tribal people. I have always had great respect for our tribal people. This pride has always been with me, the pride that we are Native Americans.

When I became of age, there was no hesitation to enlist in the United States Army. This drove me to enlist, and any other drive to enlist, would be for the benefit of our tribe, we as a team have accomplished many resolutions, and currently have passed many bills, made all decisions for their reservation, which is no easy matter, we need to set a good example and encourage our younger generations.

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Cheyenne District 2 Candidate: Clifton Ellis

Hello Cheyenne District 2 voters. My name is Clifton Ellis. I have served Cheyenne District 2 on the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribal Health Board, and graduated from the National Indian Health Board. I am a veteran who served in the U.S. Air Force. My husband, Larry, served in the U.S. Army. In between those two, I have years of experience in the workforce. I have been interested in helping the people of the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes for over 15 years. The experience I bring to the job will help me to set a good example, and if you weaken, the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes will not be able to help you. I will be able to help them. My goal is to serve the people of Cheyenne District 2. I ask for your vote to be the next Cheyenne District 2 Legislator. Thank you.

Cheyenne District 2 Candidate: Rollyn Houston

My name is Rollyn Houston and I am running for the 2023 election as the Representative for Cheyenne District 2. By voting for me, you will have a legislator for the 2023-2026 term that represents your needs and interests. It is time for change in our tribal government. We must start by bringing the tribal government to a place of transparency and accountability. I am committed to working with the people of the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes to make sure that they have a voice in the decisions that affect their lives. I will work to ensure that all members of the tribe are represented fairly and that their voices are heard. Thank you for considering me for your vote.

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Cheyenne District 2 Candidate: Christopher Patton

My name is Christopher Patton. I am a 25-year-old member of the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes and a proud member of the Patton family. I have served in the U.S. Navy and have been a resident of the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribal Community since 2017. I am running for the position of Representative for Cheyenne District 2. I am a lifelong resident of the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribal Community and have a strong commitment to serving the needs of our tribe. I will work hard to ensure that our voice is heard in the tribal government and that our needs are met. Thank you for considering me for your vote.

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Lupus is an inflammatory disease caused when the immune system attacks its own tissues. Lupus can affect the skin, joints, kidneys, heart, lungs, and brain. Lupus can include fatigue, joint pain, rashes (usually a rash referred to as a “butterfly rash” across the face), and severe fatigue. Lupus patients are at increased risk of heart disease and strokes. Lupus can also lead to kidney damage, pregnancy complications, and psychiatric problems.

Lupus is a complex disease, and the symptoms can vary from person to person. Some common symptoms include:

- Joint pain and swelling
- Skin rash
- Fatigue
- Fever
- Headaches
- Mouth ulcers
- Hair loss
- Sense of feeling cold
- Low white blood cell count
- Low red blood cell count
- Low blood platelet count

There is no cure for lupus, but treatments can help manage the symptoms and reduce the disease activity. Some common treatments for lupus include:

- Corticosteroids
- Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs)
- Hydroxychloroquine
- Lupus vaccine

Lupus can lead to severe complications if left untreated or if not managed properly. However, with proper medical management, most people with lupus are able to lead normal, active lives. It is important to talk to your doctor about your symptoms and treatment options. There are support groups and resources available to help people with lupus and their families.

Lupus is a chronic disease that can be managed, but living with lupus can be challenging. It is important to take care of your body and mind, and to seek help from healthcare professionals if necessary. By learning about lupus and taking care of yourself, you can live well with this disease.

For more information or to find support, please visit the Lupus Foundation of America or the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases.
Byron Sankey

Byron Sankey, born Oct. 11, 1977 to Gabri- el and Wanda Sankey in Oklahoma City, Okla., died March 30, 2021 in Clinton, Okla., from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. He was a long time husband of Jane Sankey and a member of United Community Church. A service was held at Clinton Community Center on June 2, at the Clinton Assembly of God Church. He is survived by his wife, Jane Sankey; sons, Michael and Charles Sankey; and a host of family and friends.

Fate "Pebble" Montique Hammond

Fate "Pebble" Montique Hammond was born in Okla- homa City on April 12, 1945 to Terron Powell and Henry Richards. He died June 1, 2021 in Clinton, Okla. Funeral service was held June 7, at the Huber Benson Funeral Chapel in Clinton, Okla. He is survived by his wife, Martha Ann; son, Matthew; daughter, Roberta; several brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Jerry Mae Chavez

Jerry Mae Chavez was born Dec. 12, 1943 in Clinton, Okla. to Martin Chavez and Elizabeth (Hernandez) Chavez. She died June 1, 2021 in Clinton, Okla., from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. She is survived by several grandchildren.

Donald Roland Little Hawk

Donald Roland Little Hawk was born Jan. 3, 1940 in Oklahoma City, Okla. to Amon and Eliza Little Hawk. He died June 24, 2021 in Clinton, Okla. from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. He is survived by several grandchildren.

Woodson C. Whitebird

Woodson C. Whitebird was born Dec. 12, 1941 in Clinton, Okla., to Lawrence and Lena (Taxi) Whitebird. He died June 1, 2021 in Clinton, Okla. from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. He is survived by his wife, Rose Whitebird; several children; several grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.
Before the pandemic, the legislature passed my resolutions to build a center within the Elk City community. Once the tribes reunite, I want to see that we can continue over this pandemic.

My deepest condolences go to all the families who lost loved ones during the pandemic. We were all affected by this pandemic, and I want to see that we can continue to serve our Elk City community.

I am asking you to vote for me to continue serving you in the Cheyenne District 4 legislature.

Thank you.

Election Commission Cheyenne District 1 Candidate Sondra Hinshaw

Hello my name is Sondra Hinshaw. I am running as one of the candidates for District 1. I have been a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes for many years.

I am respectfully requesting your vote for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years. I have been an active member of the tribes during the past few years. I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I am running for the position of Election Commissioner. I am a graduate of the University of Oklahoma. I have been a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I have been involved with Native American Church, and our Cheyenne Ceremonies. I love to dance and create jobs for our people and our tribe. I have been a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

Thank you.

Election Commission Cheyenne District 1 Candidate Francine Barlow

Hello my name is Francine Barlow, I am running for the position of Election Commissioner. I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I am running for the position of Election Commissioner. I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I am a full blood Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal member. My family participated in the ceremonial and powwow events. We were active in the N.A.C. church, Seiling, and the Arapaho Sundance and Lambs Church. I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

Thank you.

Election Commission Cheyenne District 1 Candidate Rosemary Ardenizar

Hello my tribal members of the Cheyenne District 3. I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

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I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

Thank you.

Election Commission Cheyenne District 1 Candidate Cody Zimmer

Hello, my name is Cody Zimmer. I grew up in Clinton and graduated there. I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I am running for the position of Election Commissioner. I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

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I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

Thank you.

Election Commission Cheyenne District 1 Candidate Angeline Reynolds-Lime

Hello my fellow Cheyenne and Arapah people, my name is Angeline Reynolds-Lime. I have been a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I am running for the position of Election Commissioner. I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

Thank you.

Election Commission Cheyenne District 3 Candidate Kristina Smith

Hello my name is Kristina Smith. I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

Thank you.

Election Commission Cheyenne District 3 Candidate Colleen Blackwolf

Hello my name is Colleen Blackwolf, I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

Thank you.

Election Commission Cheyenne District 3 Candidate Rosemary Whitedancer

Hello my name is Rosemary Whitedancer, I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

Thank you.

Election Commission Cheyenne District 3 Candidate Nellie White Crow

Hello my name is Nellie White Crow. I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

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Election Commission Cheyenne District 3 Candidate Terri Black

Hello my name is Terri Black. I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

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Election Commission Cheyenne District 3 Candidate Betty White Crow

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I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

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Election Commission Cheyenne District 3 Candidate Ellis White Crow

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Thank you.

Election Commission Cheyenne District 3 Candidate Ernest Young Bear

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I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

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Election Commission Cheyenne District 3 Candidate Chief Hines

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I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

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Election Commission Cheyenne District 3 Candidate Roy and Catherine Bullcoming

Hello my name is Roy Bullcoming. I am running for the position of Election Commissioner.

I am a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes for many years.

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Thank you.
In their first youth council meeting, youth participated in a wellness warrior activity and walked one-mile after the meeting.

The researchers also found inconsistencies in the ways the disease presents itself as well as in common or consistent elements. The team added that research will need to be done to identify potential molecular and genetic markers of lupus that might enable earlier and more specific diagnosis among Native Americans.

Big Goose hopes to bring awareness to the disease of lupus and to show her journey, experience to help others who may be affected and still not have an accurate diagnosis of what they are suffering from.

"I had no idea what was in front of me, that I would begin to be on some major pain Medicine and the affect was so severe that we had to keep her on my body all the time. At one time I was on two kinds of morphine, oxycodone and Percocet and I guess I must have been like a walking zombie but somehow, I was still managing," Big Goose said.

After 10 years of that regimen, Big Goose had finally had enough and after getting a new prescription, he removed her off of most of the medications, taking it down to 11 different medications per day versus the 15 or more medications she had been taking.

Big Goose, who works for the CAYC, said the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Dept. of Health, has a youth council of Native American youth that she said, with her best friend and private nurse, Charles Washa, have been very crucial in helping support her.

Sophia was looking for answers, we were looking at a book of riddles in the doctor's office and we saw a photo of the butterfly on a unopened window that looked just like the rash Sophia always got on her face, so I told her to ask her doctor to test for lupus," Washa said.

Spoonie is the term those who have lupus call themselves. "They're all still doing it, but not doing it the way I can," Big Goose said.
On May 10, 2021, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) gave Emergency Use Authorization for the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for children 12-15 years of age. The scientific basis for this comes from 2,260 children in this age group who are part of a clinical trial involving over 46,000 patients. This vaccine was authorized on December 11, 2020 and amended for persons 16 years and older. The effect of the vaccine in children followed for at least two months after two doses of vaccine yielded 18 cases of COVID-19 in placebo (normal saline) recipients and no cases in those who received two doses of vaccine.

The safety profile of this vaccine is good with the usual side effects of vaccines including transient arm pain (60%) and less often fever, fatigue, headache, chills or muscle pain, slightly more common after the second dose. These results have been reviewed by advisory committees for the FDA and Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Each consisting of 15 vaccine experts. The results of the trial are detailed in peer-reviewed publications in the New England Journal of Medicine Dec 31, 2020. In Oklahoma, 2.8 million doses of this Pfizer or a similar messenger RNA vaccine by Moderna have been administered. The decrease in cases and deaths of COVID-19 in Oklahoma, as a result of vaccine and masks, distancing, and washing has been dramatic.

While most of the 8,400 deaths from COVID-19 in Oklahoma have occurred in persons over 55 years of age, 14 percent of the laboratory-proven cases have occurred in children 5-17 years of age. Nationwide, 1.5 million infections and 13,000 hospitalizations have occurred in children 11-17 years of age. Fortunately, only 0.03 percent of Oklahoma deaths from COVID-19 have occurred in children, but Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome-Children (MIS-C) occurs as a complication.

There are several reasons children 12 years and older and their parents should consider the Pfizer vaccine (or other authorized vaccine in those 18 and older). First, the vaccine will significantly reduce infection and illness in children and adults. Every illness has a negative effect on children. Second, experience with the vaccine over the past eleven months indicates a good safety profile. Third, blocking transmission of COVID-19 by vaccinating will help quell the pandemic. It will prevent children from infecting those who may have a deadly outcome. Fourth, vaccination frees students to attend school, participate in sports, interact with friends and grandparents at much decreased risk to themselves and others. Fifth, vaccine is the best method to prevent another surge of COVID-19 disease from the COVID-19 Omicron variant in Oklaho- ma from the United Kingdom, Brazil, South Africa and India, countries currently experiencing massive outbreaks.

Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes Vocational Rehabilitation Success Stories

Meet Cheyenne
Cheyenne came to the program having limited success in obtaining and maintaining full-time employment. Her VR counselor Yolanda Woods worked with Cheyenne to help her overcome personal hurdles as well as assisted in teaching new skills to help her job seeking process. Cheyenne worked with her counselor slowly began to overcome some of her fears and barriers. The CAAIVR program assisted Cheyenne with resume writing, getting cards, and work attire. Cheyenne was able to obtain full-time employment and has now held her job for over a year. Cheyenne has proven to herself that she can overcome so much and has gained the necessary confidence and stability to keep pursuing her employment and life goals.

Meet Frank
Frank reached out to the CAAIVR program with a goal to become more independent. After meeting and working with his CAAIVR counselor Kim Davis Frank found the help he was looking for. The CAAIVR program assisted Frank with work supplies such as clothing and the necessary PPE required by his employer. One milestone in Frank’s VR process is when the program helped him obtain his driver’s license. Frank states that obtaining his driver’s license will greatly increase his ability to take the next steps in his employment goals. With consistent push from his counselor and his determination to succeed, Frank realizes the important things in life and hard work and persistence pays off in achieving goals.

Meet Kim
Kim graduated with her bachelor’s degree in Health Science (Psychology) in December of 2019 and will soon graduate with her Master in Community Counseling in May of 2022. Before entering the program, Kim had many years of harshship and barriers to overcome spe- cifically in dealing with addiction. However, due to her dedication to bettering her life situa- tion she was able to climb out of that dark period in her life. Kim’s counselor Lori has been by her every step of the journey providing services that have assisted her in overcoming her barriers. With services such as gas assistance, books and materials and tuition have proven beneficial to the success of Kim in reaching her employment and life goals. At this time in her life Kim expresses that she is determined to help her school in finding life with something meaningful. She looks forward to giving back and helping other achieve sobriety and fulfill their own dreams just as she has experienced.

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The Leadership of the TC-emulus community “acknowledges their responsibility to caretake for these lost children,” Casimir said.

Access to the latest technology allows for a true accounting of the missing children and will hopefully bring some peace and closure to those lives lost, she said in the release.

Casimir said band officials are informing community members and surrounding communities that had children who attended the school.

The First Nations Health Authority called the discovery of the children’s remains “extremely painful” and said in a website posting that it will have a “significant impact on the TC-emulus community and in the communities served by this residential school system.”

The authority’s CEO, Richard Jock, said the discovery “illuminates the damaging and lasting impacts that the residential school system continues to have on First Nations people, their families, and communities.”

Nicole Schabus, a law professor at Thompson Rivers Uni- versity, said each of her first-year law students at the Kam- loops university spends at least one day at the former re- sidential school speaking with survivors about conditions they had endured.

She said she did not hear survivors talk about an unmourned space there, “but they all talk about the kids who didn’t make it.”

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Happy Birthday to Rebecca Black, Larendra Morgan & Janell Whitman

On June 4, almost at the stroke of midnight, Wanda Whitman reached her 1 MILLION Steps challenge in 87 days. She was surrounded by family encouraging and supporting her. Wanda is an Elder of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes. Congratulations Wanda!
Ryan Island signing his letter to continue his basketball and education career with Haskell University. Ryan is a 2020 graduate of El Reno High School. Ryan was also picked for All State in basketball for OBCA (Oklahoma Basketball Coaches Association) and ONABA (Oklahoma Native All State Association). Congratulations Ryan Island!
End Colon Cancer among Cheyenne and Arapaho

What is colon cancer?
A disease in the large intestine (colon) and rectum. Most colon cancers start as small noncancerous clumps of cells called polyps. Without treatment, polyps may turn cancerous.

Colon cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death for American Indians and Alaska Natives. Colon cancer often has no symptoms in early stages.

Stages of colon cancer

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<td>Each polyp begins as a growth of noncancerous cells</td>
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<td>Cancer has formed in the polyp inside colon or rectum</td>
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<td>Cancer has spread to lymph nodes</td>
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<td>Cancer has spread to other organs</td>
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Timing matters when colon cancer is found.

If found early, 9 out of 10 survive.
If found, 7 out of 10 survive.
If found later, 1 out of 10 survive.

What can I do?

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Screening tests

Stool-based tests
- Looks for blood in the stool
- Take test at home every 1-3 years
- Mail or return to clinic
- If positive, must have colonoscopy

Visual tests
- Looks directly in the colon
- Test is done at a medical center
- Colonoscopy can prevent cancer by removal of polyps during test

Colorectal cancer screening for American Indians is recommended for those ages 45-75.

Not Vaccinated?

Protect yourself and others, and follow the 2 Out of 4 Rule

Just pick 2 of these when you’re around others:

- Call the IHS at (580) 331-3433 or contact your health provider to get vaccinated.
- Vaccines are free for everyone over 12 years old.
- Outside
- Wear a mask
- Physical distance

15 min or less