



# BISHOP TRIBAL NEWSLETTER

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE



## APRIL 2024

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### HIGHLIGHTS

This afternoon on March 28th, members of the Bishop Paiute Tribal Council and Kutzadika'a Tribal Chairwoman Charlotte Lange met with California State Senator Marie Alvarado-Gil of the 4th District.

Discussion topics included law enforcement, MMIP, land and water acquisition, tribal sovereignty, tribal gaming, among many other things.

The visit ended with a tour of the Owens Valley Paiute-Shoshone Cultural Center.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS, EVENTS & UPDATES:



## 2024 UPCOMING GENERAL MEETINGS:

The Bishop Paiute Tribe will be holding General Council Meetings for the following Saturday mornings in 2024:

- **APRIL 20TH, 2024**
- **JULY 20TH, 2024**
- **OCTOBER 19TH, 2024**

**\*\*\* These meetings are only for Bishop Paiute Tribal Members and required Tribal Staff\*\*\***

We will be serving breakfast at 8:30AM and the meeting will begin at 9:00AM.

If you would like to add an agenda item, please contact

Charlene Keller (760) 873-3584 ext. 1200.

**THE NEXT 2024 SPECIAL ELECTIONS VOTE FOR  
THE BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE CONSTITUTION WILL BE ON:**

**SPECIAL ELECTION: TUESDAY, APRIL 30TH, 2024.  
POLLS OPEN AT 7:00 AM AND CLOSE AT 7:00 PM**

## 2024 UPCOMING DISTRIBUTION DATES:

Approved by Tribal Council: 01/25/2024

**\*DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE\***

**DISTRIBUTION DATE: MAY 15, 2024  
LAST DAY TO REGISTER: APRIL 15, 2024**

**DISTRIBUTION DATE: AUGUST 14, 2024  
LAST DAY TO REGISTER: JULY 15, 2024**

**DISTRIBUTION DATE: NOVEMBER 13, 2024  
LAST DAY TO REGISTER: OCTOBER 15, 2024**

### CRITERIA THAT MUST BE MET:

- Must be 21 Years of age -Proof of Age (Drivers License, Tribal ID/California ID or Birth Certificate).
- Tribal Enrollment Verification -Resolution or Tribal ID Card).
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(Examples of residency verification: Envelope with postdated stamp within the last 30 days prior to submitting application, Utility bill)

**\*IF YOU CURRENTLY A REGISTERED VOTER, NO ACTION NEEDED.\***


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FOR MORE INFORMATION or QUESTIONS, call the tribal office 760-873-3584

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*Pay Your Tribal Bills Online*

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- Water/Sewer

Credit Card Payments can now be made online by visiting the Bishop Paiute Tribe's website [bishoppaiutetribe.com](http://bishoppaiutetribe.com) and choosing the appropriate icon.

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First Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

NEW NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please list all your children under 18 whose address will change. Please include the last four digits of their social security number.

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4. _____	9. _____
5. _____	10. _____

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# BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE General Council Meeting



**SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024**

**WANAAHA CASINO EVENT CENTER  
2742 N. SIERRA HWY  
(OLD PAIUTE PALACE SIDE)**

FOR ZOOM LINK DAY, CONTACT 760-920-9977.

- 8:30AM-BREAKFAST
- 8:30AM-9:00AM: BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE DEPARTMENT INFORMATIONAL BOOTHS

**\*UPDATED AGENDA AT MEETING\***

- 9:00AM-MEETING **AGENDA ITEMS WILL INCLUDE:**
  - BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE FINANCIAL UPDATE
  - WANAAHA CASINO FINANCIAL UPDATE
  - CROSSROADS RECOVERY CENTER DISCUSSION
  - BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE CONSTITUTION DISCUSSION

**ZOOM  
AVAILABLE**

**TO SUBMIT QUESTIONS FOR THE GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT CHARLENE KELLER @ 760-873-3584 EXT. 1200 OR [CHARLENE.KELLER@BISHOPPAIUTE.ORG](mailto:CHARLENE.KELLER@BISHOPPAIUTE.ORG), NO LATER THAN APRIL 15, 2024.**

**FOR ZOOM LINK DAY OF CONTACT 760-920-9977.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE BISHOP TRIBAL OFFICE (760) 873-3584.**





# BISHOP TRIBAL COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING JANUARY & FEBRUARY ACTION REPORT



Submitted by Steven Orihuela BITC Secretary/Treasurer  
on behalf of the Bishop Paiute Tribal Council

## Regular Tribal Council Meeting, March 7th, 2024

- Tribal Council approved one (1) land assignment application.
- Tribal Council approved a non-binding MOU between the Bishop Paiute Tribe and the Alliance for Tribal Clean Energy.
- Tribal Council approved a donation in the amount of \$2,800 to fund Bishop Union High School tribal band students to travel to Washington, D.C.

### Announcements

- Constitution Informational Meeting – Tuesday, March 26th, 2024 – 1:00 PM (Elders Building).

### Public Comment

- V. Goodwin asked when we are going to have TIHP update? Tribal Council stated they will follow-up with the TIHP representative to present at the next regular meeting.
- S. Gostisha, Geeks Without Frontier Director, thanked everyone for completing the broadband survey.
- C. Lange announced a public hearing will be held on April 18, 2024 in Barstow, CA for a hearing regarding the proposed Mono Basin BPA and draft SED, and she encouraged people to attend.
- C. Williams Attended the Elders Coalition and there were concerns regarding Crossroads opening a sober living facility on the reservation. This needs to be addressed and discussed at the General Council Meeting. Tribal Council stated that it will be added to the next General Council Meeting agenda.

## Regular Tribal Council Meeting, March 28th, 2024

- Tribal Council approved Tribal Resolution T2024-017 (Exclusion Order – Auburn Andreas).
- Tribal Council tabled Tribal Resolution T2024-019 (Medow Farms Sidewalk Project).
- Tribal Council approved Tribal Resolution T2024-020 (Exclusion Order – Hector David Certa).
- Tribal Council approved Tribal Resolution T2024-022 (Damien Munoz).
- Tribal Council approved Tribal Resolution T2024-023 (Shilby Lyn Marie Andreas).
- Tribal Council approved four (4) land assignment applications.

### Announcements

- Constitution Informational Meeting – Monday, April 1, 2024 – 5:30 PM (Tribal Chambers).
- Constitution Special Election – Tuesday, April 2, 2024 – 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM (Tribal Chambers).
- General Council Meeting – April 20, 2024 – 8:30 AM (Wanaaha Casino).

### Public Comment

- V. Begay shared information about Toiyabe's planning efforts for the Youth Gathering of Native --Americans (GONA).
- V. Goodwin, N. Barlow, R. Napoles, voiced concern about the execution of the Tribal Constitution.
- S. Watterson voiced concern to Tribal Council about the exclusion of her significant other for the incident that occurred at the northwest corner of the Reservation. Tribal Council stated they will address this issue later in the agenda.

# BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE SOCIAL SERVICES



## RAVE PROGRAM



### HIGHLIGHT

The Bishop Paiute Tribe Social Services RAVE program has expanded its victim services to the local school district. After months of planning and meeting with the school officials, we now have a space and a day allocated to RAVE to provide Peer Counseling and Support Services. Tuesday, March 12th was the first day on campus and our Peer Crisis Counselor was able to help those in crisis. We originally planned to have RAVE on campus for two to three hours on Tuesdays however, it became evident that there is a strong need for peer counseling therefore, RAVE will be at the school every Tuesday from 8:30am to 4:00pm.

### SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH (SAAM)

Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) is an annual campaign observed in April to help raise public awareness about sexual assault and educate communities and individuals on how to prevent sexual violence. Let's continue to raise awareness, support survivors.



### DENIM DAY

April 24th, 2024, is Denim Day. Denim Day is a day-long awareness campaign that allows us to honor survivors of sexual assault by wearing denim.



### APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

April 5th, 2024, is Wear Blue Day! Dress in blue to stand in solidarity with child abuse prevention efforts.

**24-HOUR CONFIDENTIAL HOTLINE (760)873-9018**



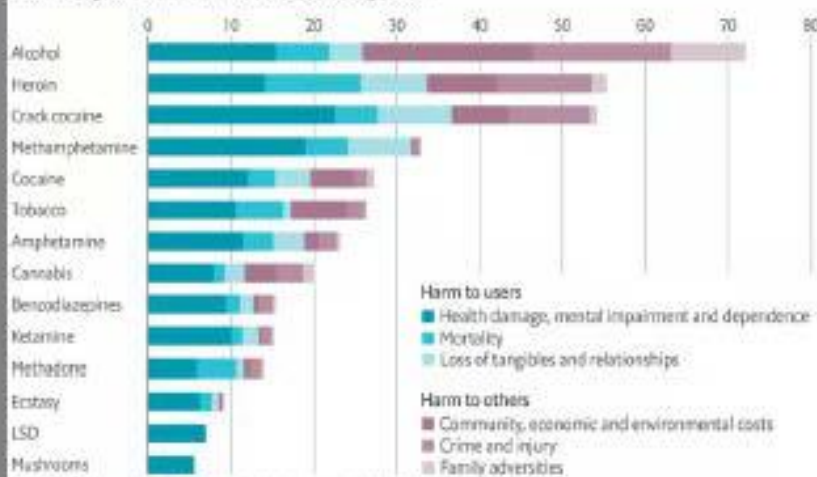


# April is... Alcohol Awareness Month



## Paying through the nose

Britain, drug harm score (out of 100), selected drugs, 2010



Source: 'Drug harms in the UK: a multicriteria decision analysis', by D. Nutt et al., *The Lancet*  
*The Economist*

Alcohol use among American Indians and Alaska Natives aged 12 or older:

- 79.6% reported they drank alcohol at some point in their lifetime
- 56.5% reported they drank alcohol in the past year
- 37.6% reported they drank alcohol in the past year.

### LOCAL RESOURCES:

Toiyabe Family Services (760) 873-6394

Inyo County Substance Abuse Program (760) 873-6533

Crossroads Recovery Center (760) 937-4270

April is Alcohol Awareness Month. This month allows communities to focus on spreading awareness and reducing the stigma associated with alcohol addiction. Over time, excessive alcohol consumption can lead to the development of chronic diseases and other serious issues that affect your quality of life, physical and mental health.

Did you know that more than 140,000 deaths occur every year in the United States due to excessive alcohol use? Here are some steps you can take to ensure that alcohol doesn't become a problem for you or your loved ones:

- **Show compassion.** Share your concerns with your loved ones. Have an honest, clear, and direct conversation about their habits and drinking patterns.
- **Understand alcoholism.** Educate yourself about the impact of alcohol consumption and discuss it with friends and family. Parents, talk to your children about the dangers of alcohol and drug use.
- **Limit alcohol consumption or try sobriety all together.** If you're considering changing your drinking habits, you'll need to decide whether to cut it down or quit.
- **Stay occupied in a productive way.** Get active by exercising or find enjoyment by learning a new skill or hobby that doesn't involve alcohol.
- **Minimize temptation.** Limit the amount of time spent at a bar or other venues that serve alcohol. Engage in social outings and events that do not encourage or center around alcohol.
- **Seek additional support.** Connect with trained medical professionals for additional help, resources, formalized treatment options, and counseling.



**Bishop Paiute Tribe**  
**Comprehensive Opioid Stimulant Substance Abuse Program**  
 50 Tu Su Lane, Bishop, CA 93514  
 (760) 873-4414  
 Kylee Andreas, Social Services Director  
 Tawni LaFrombois, Project Coordinator





The RAVE program would like to share a letter that was received earlier this year from a client. We were very honored that this client decided to share and we wish all our clients the best.

If you are in need of assistance please contact the RAVE program.

Nancy Martinez, Peer Crisis Counselor

Lucinda Kane, Victim Advocate

Annette Apalatea, Outreach Coordinator

Office: 760-873-4414 or RAVE Hotline: 760-873-9018



**Success Story: if you have survived a crime, you too are a survivor!!**

**The letter below was written by a Survivor. The Survivor wanted to express their gratitude.**

To: Lucinda Kane <[lucinda.kane@bishoppaiute.org](mailto:lucinda.kane@bishoppaiute.org)>  
Subject: Thank you

I am writing this letter for any and all individuals that oversee run and dedicate their time and support to the Rave program, as well as genuine care and assistance to the individuals and families who are able to utilize the services and programs that are offered. I am one of the individuals who has been able to receive assistance along with my family on several occasions. With that being said, I just wanted to write a letter to express my gratitude and appreciation coming from a very sincere place in my heart. I feel very grateful and very thankful for having been able to have received so much amazing care and assistance from the program as well as the overwhelming compassion from the staff, who I have now come to trust and connect with on a welcoming, respectful, caring level of not only responsive, smart, intuitive Advocates, but as reliable understanding non-judgmental members of my inner support group. Specifically I would like to say thank you to Nancy and Cindy who have gone above and beyond to help me and be so supportive when allowing me to confide in them during such a vulnerable emotional time for me. It's not easy to give anyone the trust and honesty when it comes to seeking help in the abusive situation and circumstances that I am facing. This has been a very stressful and difficult thing for me and my children to have to struggle with and endure for too long. If it had not been for this program I would possibly be stuck still in this violent cycle nobody should have to witness or go through. I am sure that if I had not found out about the program I would be alone and things would have more than likely escalated for the worst for me by physical and emotional abuse. I am happy to be able to have reached a new milestone on my journey to continue to heal and starting a more positive conducive safe lifestyle. I'm hopeful that my kids and everyone else who cares about my well-being will have the feeling and sense of relief now knowing that I am in a safer place now able to focus on what's important and on regathering my life for a better future. I intend to do more with help of the program such as peer counseling and looking deeper into the the options and opportunities that will help me begin to move forward confidently with building a better life.

Once again thank you,  
with the biggest hugs

all names were omitted to protect privacy



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## Grants and Progress with Strategic Planning Meetings – Dr. Bonnie Eberhardt Bobb

The Tribe recently received a \$20,000 SCE grant for the supplies for the Bishop Paiute Head Start Program and supplies and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) scholarships for the Bishop Paiute Indian Education Program. The Food Sovereignty Program received a \$100,000 grant from CalRecycle for a community-scale composting project, processing food waste and other organic material. Great work!!

Strategic Planning meetings have been held so far. Our process has quite a few steps.

- 1) identify the issues;
- 2) establish a vision for the reservation;
- 3) Develop categories of effort and prioritize;
- 4) Establish short-term and long-term Goals and Objectives;
- 5) Plan actions to reach the goals;
- 6) Determine sources of assistance from departments and sources of funding;
- 7) Review document.

Issues so far have been: need for housing, community clean-up (solid waste and vegetation), water and water hookups, irrigation, drugs and overdose, staff turnover, job creation and training, land acquisition, hotel and other investments, emergency response, firefighter training, traditions of helping each other and working together, fathers helping the young men, dog control, communication of the needs of the people.

Please come and participate in the creation of this 1-5 year Strategic Plan.



### BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE

### TRIBAL STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING



Please come and participate in the creation of this 1-5 year Strategic Plan. Next meetings in 2024.

You may remember that before COVID-19, we had been holding meetings to hear the thoughts of the community on what they want the future to look like. What programs, services, buildings, events would you like to see implemented or enhanced?

How can future generations be better served?

What is important to you as a community member?

### WHEN: WEDNESDAY'S

- April 24, 2024
- May 22, 2024
- June 26, 2024
- July 24, 2024
- August 28, 2024

### TIME: 5:30 PM

**LOCATION: 50 TU SU LANE**  
(TRIBAL CHAMBERS)

### ZOOM INFORMATION:

[HTTPS://WWW.ZOOMGOV.COM/J/16165491583](https://www.zoomgov.com/j/16165491583)

MEETING ID: 161 6549 1583

FOR MEETING INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT BONNIE BOBB AT THE TRIBAL OFFICE (760) 873-3584 EXT. 1320.



# OVCD Early Head Start



**BISHOP  
APRIL 2024**

## What is EHS?

Applications for 2023-2024 school year continues to be accepted throughout the year. EHS is a comprehensive early learning program for children 6 weeks-36 months old. The EHS program delivers early learning/education, health nutrition, and family support services.

## Join Our Team

Teacher (Bishop)  
Full & Part-time

Open Until Filled  
Apply online @  
[ovcdc.com/employment/](https://ovcdc.com/employment/)

## Important Dates

- Wednesday's Language with Lavina
- April 12th Storytime & Craft w/ Tuniwa Nobl
- April 17th Spring Gathering
- April 26th Staff Development 1/2 Day
- April 26th Storytime onsite



For more information please contact the Family Child Service Specialist, Josie Rogers (760)920-0434 or [jrogers@ovcdc.com](mailto:jrogers@ovcdc.com)





# BISHOP PAIUTE ELDERS PROGRAM

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS AND INFORMATION



### Upcoming Activities

**April 3rd and 24th**

Elder Garden Club

**April 5th**

Exercise Bingo

**April 9th and 23rd**

Elders Walking Group

**April 10th**

Elders Advisory Board Regular Meeting

**April 10th and 24th**

Paiute Language Class

**April 11th and 25th**

Bingo and Birthday Bingo

**April 12th and 26th**

Tally Farm Produce Boxes

**April 16th**

Crafting Activity - Tissue box

**April 17th**

Annual Elders Meeting

**April 19th**

Movie, Popcorn and Snacks

**Tuesdays and Fridays** - Bread is donated to the Elders Program, if Vons is able to.



### Elders at Three Creeks

On February 28, 2024, the Bishop Paiute Elders Program joined Toiyabe Elders Program for Elder Day at Three Creeks, near Fish Springs outside of Big Pine, CA. The weather was beautiful, the lunch was great, and company of other Elders from the valley was excellent. The Owens Valley Indian Water Commission (OVIWC) and our Bishop Paiute Elders Program collaborated to make this possible. The Elders were told by OVIWC staff that there would be more Elder Day's at

Three Creeks to come. Thank you to Kyndall, Teena and Teri for the special day.

### Activities Update

The Elders Program took Elders to Ridgecrest last month to shop and have lunch. We have recently started an Elder Garden Club in coordination with Food Sovereignty Program. Come and check out the Elders Garden.

#### **Surveys to be mailed...**

Be on the lookout for a survey to be mailed to Tribal member Elders this month!

Elders Program Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.





# Bishop Paiute Elders Program

## ANNUAL ELDERS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024

5:00PM

WANAHA CASINO BANQUET AREA

DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED

New Date

### Agenda Items

Elders Advisory Board Report

Elders Program and Title VI Report

Program Guidelines and Nutrition Requirements

Discussion

If you have any questions, please call the Elders Program at (760) 873-3052.

*\*The meeting that was previously scheduled for March 13, 2024 was rescheduled to this new date of April 17, 2024.*



### BISHOP PAIUTE ELDERS PROGRAM

### BISHOP TRIBAL ELDERS

### PRODUCE BOX DISTRIBUTION

New Times

**Friday, April 12, 2024**

**Friday, April 26, 2024**

Bishop Tribal Member Elders Only

Distribution Time: 1:30 p.m - 2:30 p.m.

Bishop Tribal Members Only

Distribution Time: 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Pick-Up Location:

**Cultural Center, 2300 W. Line St., Bishop CA**

Tally Farms

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL THE BISHOP PAIUTE ELDERS PROGRAM AT (760) 873-3052

# BISHOP PAIUTE ELDERS TITLE VI PROGRAM

## April 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	1 Beef Barley Vegetable Soup Wheat Crackers Pears	2 Spanish Chicken Brown Rice Garden Salad Fresh Apple	3 Cheese Ravioli Green Beans Garlic Bread Grapes	4 Shrimp Poke Bowl Edamame Broccoli Pineapple	5 Kraut Dog BBQ Beans Carrot Sticks Banana	6
7	8 Cobb Salad Wheat Crackers Kiwi	9 Chicken Tortellini Soup Tortilla Chips Carrot Salad Apricots	10 Shepard's Pie Peas and Carrots Strawberries	11 Fish Tacos Spanish Rice Corn Salad Fruit Cocktail	12 BBQ Ribs Baked Beans Corn on the Cob Orange	13
14	15 French Dip/ Au Jus Sweet Potato Fries Carrots Blueberries	16 Vegetable Penne Pasta Roll Banana	17 Pork Tenderloin Cranberry Sauce Quinoa Broccoli Grapes	18 Chicken Walnut Salad Croissant Beet Salad Mangos	19 Tuna Sandwich Tomato Soup Orange	20
21	22 Carne Asada Nachos Salsa Watermelon	23 Pork Posole Cabbage Tortilla Orange	24 Asian Chicken Salad Fortune Cookie Applesauce	25 Prime Rib/ Au Jus Au Gratin Potatoes Asparagus Pineapple	26 Grilled Salmon Rice Pilaf Carrots Kiwi	27
28	29 Chicken Soup w/Vegetables Biscuits Grapes	30 Veggie Burger Tortilla Chips Coleslaw Mandarin Oranges	1	2	3	4

**Meal Service: 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

All meals are served with milk. Menu is subject to change.

Menu approved by Shannon Beasley RD, MPH, CDCES



# April 2024



**BISHOP PAIUTE  
ELDERS PROGRAM**

## Activities & Events

SUNDAY Anagatūna	MONDAY Sūmū nawaakū	TUESDAY Waha nawaakū	WEDNESDAY Pohi nawaakū	THURSDAY Watsūgwi nawaakū	FRIDAY Naabahi nawaakū	SATURDAY Mandūgi nawaakū
31 Easter	1 1pm Rez Readers Book Club	2	3 2pm Elder Garden Club	4	5 1pm Elders Exercise Bingo- Win Prizes!	6
7	8	9 1pm Elders Walking Group at the Bishop City Park	10 1pm Paiute Language 3pm Regular Elders Advisory Board Mtg	11 1pm BINGO \$10	12 1:30pm Tally Farms Boxes @ Cultural Center	13
14	15	16 12:30pm craft Activity - Tissue Boxes	17 5:00pm Annual Elders Mtg @ Casino	18	19 1pm Movie & Popcorn	20 8:30am General Council Mtg @ Casino  Fishing Opener
21 Earth Day and Spring Market at the Cultural Center	22	23 1pm Elders Walking Group at Millpond	24 1pm Paiute Language 2pm Elder Garden Club	25 1pm Birthday BINGO \$5	26 1:30pm Tally Farms Boxes @ Cultural Center	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4 Choo Choo Swap Meet at the Fairgrounds

All activities are held at the Elders building unless otherwise noted. Calendar subject to change. For more information on activities, please call the Elders program at (760) 873-3052

### Upcoming Activities

- Monthly Craft Activity
- Open to new ideas for activities

# TRIBAL COMMUNITY

The TERO Commission and TERO Staff invites you to a  
**Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance (TERO) &  
Tribal Employment Training**

*Richard McGee, Tribal Law Attorney, has been invited to the Bishop Paiute Tribe to provide a presentation on TERO Law & Employment Law.*



**WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024**

AT THE

**WANAHA CASINO**

(CONFERENCE ROOM)

2742 N. SIERRA HWY BISHOP CA.

**1:15 PM TO 5:00 PM**

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND OR YOU WANT MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT KAYLA STONE OR SUSIE WEST AT THE TERO OFFICE AT 760.873.7893.



# OWENS VALLEY PAIUTE SHOSHONE CULTURAL CENTER

2300 West Line Street, Bishop, CA 93514 | 760-873-8844

HOURS OF OPERATION: SUMMER HOURS (April - September)

Tuesday - Friday, 10am - 6pm | Saturday & Sunday, 10am - 3pm | Monday, CLOSED



## APRIL HAPPENINGS

**Tuesday, April 2**

Summer Hours Begin

Monday - Friday  
10am - 6pm

Saturday & Sunday  
10am - 3pm

Monday - CLOSED

**Tuesday, April 9**

**Wednesday, April 10**

Gift Shop Buying Days  
10am-6pm

**Wednesday, April 17**

Commodity Distribution

YPT Certifier:

775.783.0260 x2

**Sunday, April 21**

Earth Day Celebration

Spring Market

8am - 3pm

For information on current & upcoming activities, follow us on:



## TEI-TÜBA TUBIJA A-YUGWI: Spring Pinenut Blessing

This season is a time for offering prayers, singing, dancing, and nurturing positive thoughts for our tüba as they grow throughout the summer. By doing this, we hope to ensure we have a plentiful harvest in the fall. Join us with your family, learn from our elders and keep our Nüümü/Newe traditions alive!

FLYER WITH DATE AND TIME COMING SOON!



## A HEARTFELT SHOUT OUT TO ORANGE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL!

On Friday & Saturday, March 15th & 16th, over 175 students from Orange Lutheran High School in Orange, CA came to our reservation to lend a helping hand to various community service projects throughout Payahuunadü. This bi-annual program has become a prime example of generosity and goodwill.

We were blessed to host 20+ youth along with their chaperones and supervisors on Saturday, who worked so very hard to beautify our Cultural Center. They repainted the exterior pathway, reboarded our picnic tables, and fixed our huvas (shade structure). As a small token of our appreciation, we shared popsicles and taught them how to make cordage out of dog bane. On Friday, their helpfulness extended to assisting the Tribe's Environmental Department and the Food Sovereignty Program with additional projects, such as cleaning the garden behind the Cultural Center.

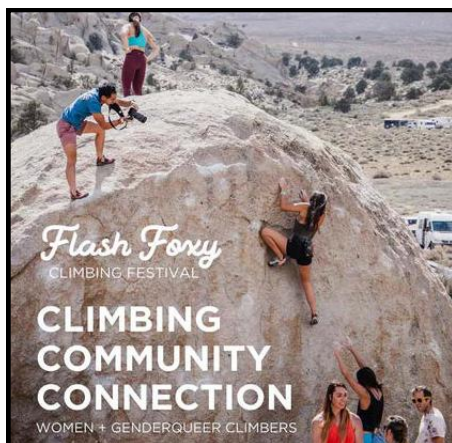
Mano-habü Orange Lutheran High School for your eagerness to help and selfless service!



## CULTURAL CENTER WELCOMES FLASH FOXY CLIMBING FESTIVAL PARTICIPANTS

On Friday, March 15th, we welcomed festival participants to the Cultural Center and hosted four tours with the help of Rena Brown and Charlene Redner. These two ladies provided insights into our cultural traditions and shared their knowledge on making cordage and beading. Thank you ladies!

In 2023, Flash Foxy generously donated \$2,162 from ticket sales to our Cultural Center, supporting museum demonstrations and outreach programming. We are very honored and grateful that a portion of this year's 2024 festival ticket sales will once again be directed to the Cultural Center! Thank you Flash Foxy for your ongoing support!





# OWENS VALLEY PAIUTE SHOSHONE CULTURAL CENTER

## TRIBAL SURVEYS FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND LANGUAGE PRESERVATION

On Saturday, March 16th, the Cultural Center began a survey at the Boys with Braids event held at Toiyabe Indian Health Project which will run through May 2024. It consists of two parts:

Part A - The IMLS Cultural Outreach survey will analyze the strengths and weaknesses of the Cultural Center's outreach and education programs. This will ensure the effectiveness of our activities and resource materials.

Part B - The ANA Language survey will provide insights on better ways to preserve and revitalize the native language of the local Owens Valley Paiute and Western Shoshone people. This will aid in resource expansion on and for our reservation.

In-person survey-taking will be available at the Cultural Center and at community events, such as Spring Gathering and Earth Day/Spring Market. Incentives will be available only for those who complete the survey in-person.

Additionally, for tribal members who live out of the area and would like to participate, the survey can be completed by scanning the QR code: →



## 2024 ART CHALLENGE

THEME:

### A Legacy of Loyalty and Service

HONORING THE MILITARY SERVICE OF NATIVE AMERICANS

DEADLINE: Friday, May 17, 2024 at 6:00 pm

<p style="font-weight: bold; color: white;">1ST PLACE</p> <p style="color: white;">\$400 plus permanent display at Cultural Center</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold; color: white;">2ND PLACE</p> <p style="color: white;">\$300</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold; color: white;">CONSOLATION</p> <p style="color: white;">Remaining participants!</p>
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**ARTIST GUIDELINES:**

- Must be a member of one of the Owens Valley Paiute or Shoshone Tribes
- Must be 18 years or older
- Limited to one (1) entry per artist

**SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:**

- Must complete Submission Form and W-9 (available at Cultural Center)
- Must be at least 11" x 14" in size, no exceptions
- Must be hand drawn using any of the following medium: Paint, Charcoal, Chalk, Colored Pencils, or Ink & Pen (Computer Art is NOT permissible)
- Must reflect Veteran theme and represent all Native Veterans who served

**JUDGING:** • Artwork will be displayed at the Cultural Center, May 24 - May 26, 2024

**VOTING METHOD:** • Artwork will be assigned a number and names concealed

**VOTERS:** • Owens Valley Tribal Community Members, 18 years or older

**BALLOTS:** • Ballots will be provided to eligible voters by Cultural Center staff

The image of winning artwork will be used throughout the year, as well as for veteran memorabilia in November 2024.  
For entry forms or for more information, please call the Cultural Center at 760-873-8844 or visit us at 2300 W. Line Street, Bishop, CA



## SEEKING NATIVE ARTISTS AND DEMONSTRATORS FOR SUMMER 2024

The Cultural Center will be launching its third year of weekend demonstrations at the museum. The focus of this program is to showcase the cultural heritage of the Paiute and Shoshone people and offer support to our local native artists with a dedicated space to work on their craft while educating museum patrons. Demonstrations will run from May through August 2024.

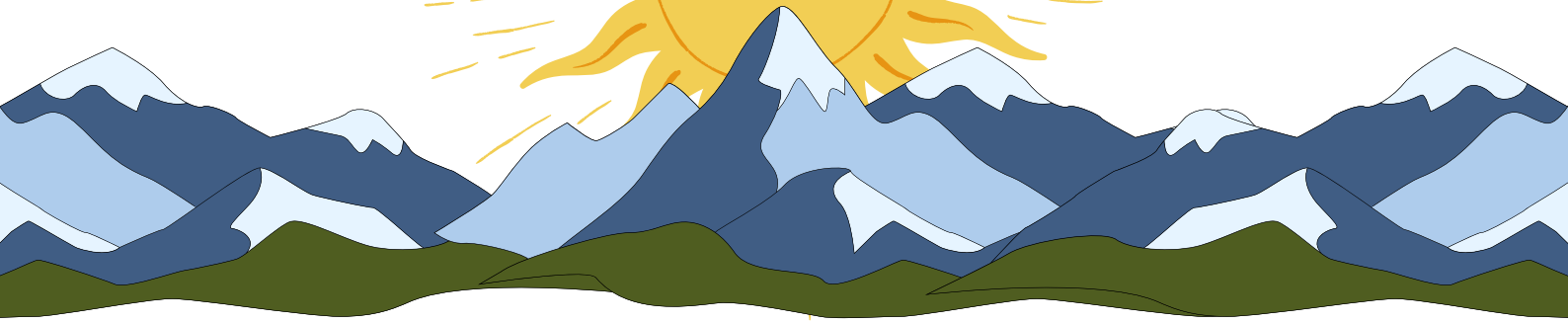
If you are interested in being a demonstrator, please reach out to the Cultural Center Outreach Program at 760-873-8844 ext. 1444 or ext. 1445. This effort is made possible through the generous donations of Flash Foxy and the March 2024 Climbing Festival.





**SUNDAY, APRIL 21ST**

# **Earth Day 2024**



## **the Bishop Paiute Tribe's Earth Day and Spring Market at the Cultural Center**

**8am-9am Inaugural Owens Pupfish Translocation @ COSA fish refuge**

**9am-10:30am community roadside clean-up**

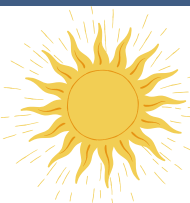
**10:30am-3pm activity tables, information booths, Spring Market craft vendors, food, live music and more!**

If you would like to sign up to be a food or craft vendor at the Spring Market or Youth Art Market, please contact the Cultural Center at (760) 873-8844. Food and craft vendor fee \$15, no fee for youth.

More info to come! Please reach out to [maggie.flaherty@bishoppaiute.org](mailto:maggie.flaherty@bishoppaiute.org) with questions about the event. Questions about vending please direct to the Cultural Center.

Sunday April 21, 2024 from 8am-3pm at 2300 West Line St. Bishop

**PLEASE ENCOURAGE OUR YOUNG ARTISTS TO SET UP A TABLE TO SELL OR DISPLAY FOR THE YOUTH ART MARKET, LET THEIR CREATIVITY SHINE!**





# Environmental Management Office

April 2024 update

## Flash Foxy Climbing Festival Weekend!

EMO staff had a great weekend attending the Flash Foxy Climbing Festival March 15-17th. On Friday, March 15th we tabled at the Opening Party to distribute information pamphlets about the Cultural Center and THPO, as well as share our Recreation Guide “How to recreate responsibly in Payahuunadū” ([tinyurl.com/BPTguide](http://tinyurl.com/BPTguide)). That night we also heard Chairwoman Picard give a welcome at the festival and watched a wonderful performance by AkaMya.

On Saturday, we tabled at the Open Air Market with the Cultural Center and had some great conversations with folks about the land around Bishop and how climbers can be more respectful towards the land. We had trivia, which tested participants’ knowledge about native plants, water quality, and tribal governments.

Sunday morning we got up early to watch Bishop Paiute Tribal Elders share a wonderful cultural presentation to kick off a day of stewardship. At 10am that day over 30 volunteers showed up at the COSA and helped us to install 2 brand new kiosks, remove invasive weeds, and level ground for a new education area. Many thanks to Flash Foxy for their help in the COSA and for hosting such an intentional event!



EMO's information table 3/16/24.



Flash Foxy volunteers in the COSA.



# Yosemite Ancestral Stewards (YAS) Crew Application

Interested in restoration work within Yosemite National Park and have cultural connections to the land? The Yosemite Ancestral Stewards (YAS) crew is an all-indigenous crew based out of Yosemite National Park and is now hiring! Please fill out the application through scanning the QR code below or at:

<https://www.vscyberhosting.com/greatbasin/Careers.aspx?req=2024-NCC-009&type=JOBDESCR>

The position is open to everyone 17+. If you have any questions or need help filling out the application, please feel free to reach out to

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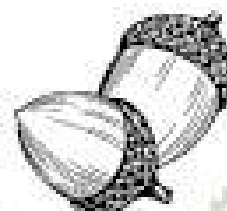
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# Natural Resources Tribal Conservation Corps Crewmember Job Openings

The Bishop Paiute Tribe Natural Resources Program is seeking five active, motivated individuals to work outdoors learning key natural and cultural resource management skills. Applications will be available

## Why apply?

You'll get to learn directly from professionals that work for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) and the Tribe's Environmental Management Office (EMO) about geographic information systems (GIS), botany, wildlife, hydrology, biology, archeology, fire ecology, navigation and more!

Projects will take place in the COSA, on tribal lands, in the volcanic tablelands, and many other scenic locations around Payahuunadu.

## Requirements

Applicants must be...

- 16-25 years of age w/ work permit
- able to be physically active outdoors for long periods of time in cold and heat
- willing to participate in overnight trips
- able to learn to use and work with a variety of hand and power tools
- able to always maintain cultural sensitivity

Applicants are not required to have relevant job experience or a GED.

Selected interns will make \$18-21 an hour and will be expected to work 40 hours a week from mid- May until mid October Start date can be flexible to accommodate academic schedules. Native American Indian preference applies.

For more information about the program please call

Tom Gustie, Natural Resource Specialist

Phone # (760) 873-3584 ext 2130

E-mail. [thomas.gustie@bishoppaiute.org](mailto:thomas.gustie@bishoppaiute.org)



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if you are interested in a vacancy on a committee/ board,

please submit a letter of intent.

forms are available at the tribal office.



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