

NUMA NEWS



Awesome Job, PLHS Students!

Pyramid Lake Jr./Sr High School Facebook Post, January 27, 2025:

Congratulations to all the Principal Award, Honor Roll and perfect attendance recipients for the first semester of the 2024-2025 School Year. We will be presenting certificates at halftime of the girls basketball game on Wednesday, January 29th and we will have light refreshments after the presentation in the commons area. We look forward to seeing everyone there to help celebrate our students! #GOLAKERS

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- A reminder that PUD payments can be mailed to PUD, PO Box 474, Nixon, NV 89424. They can also be paid by phone w/ credit/debit card at (775) 294-1459.

** Jonathon Begay is the Interim PUD Director.

Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe

208 Capitol Hill
PO Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424
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Or by e-mail: adminassistant@plpt.nsn.us



Pyramid Lake Jr./Sr. High School 2024 First Semester

4.0+ GPA Principal Award

JOSH SHAW
KEI ADAME
ISSAC BARR
AMIRA CENTENO
ZEKE DAVIS
LORENA EBEN
ZACHARY HICKS
THOMAS HUNTER

BRADLEY LARA
ZAVIN LOWERY
LILLY MOSQUEIRA
HARMONY PAQUIN
RYLEN PATRICK
AYREN SAM
TERRANCE SARABIA
VERONICA SIMENTAL-SCOTT

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

E'ALIANNA DAVIS
TYSON JIM
JAMES SHAW JR.

OLIVA SIMENTAL-SCOTT
VERONICA SIMENTAL-SCOTT

HONOR ROLL 3.50 & ABOVE

ALBERT BANDA-PHOENIX
OLIVIA BILL
COLBY BROWN
NADAYA CENTENO
MALACHI CERVANTES-THAYER
GARRETT CONNER
BENJAMIN EBEN
JOHN HORSE
KOGÉ REDSTONE
DELANE WILLIAMS
ANGELIA DELUNA
ALICIA DIAZ
TWILA KOCHAMP
ZAELYNN WASSON
ELIAS JACKSON
KAITLIN MANDELL
AIYANA COLLINS
FARRAH MAUWEE
WATAE REDSTONE
ALEXANDER SAM
NIKO WILLIAMS
AMELIA WINAP
FLOYD SHAW

JASELLA FIELDER
JAKAI SARABIA
LEONA BARLESE
NATAANI BITSILLY
AVERY CALVIN
PHILLIP DAVIS JR.
JANAE DUNN
GARRIAN HARJO
TYSON JIM
NAKOA LOVE
EQUIS MARTINEZ
EVELYN MIX
NYDIS PATRICK
JORDAN RIVERS
MYRON RIVERS
SAMUEL VICTOR
ENOCH WILLIAMS
IYLA WILLIAMS
CASH HALL
JORDAN KEO
JOSIE LARA
OLIVIA LARA
TATZA PHOENIX

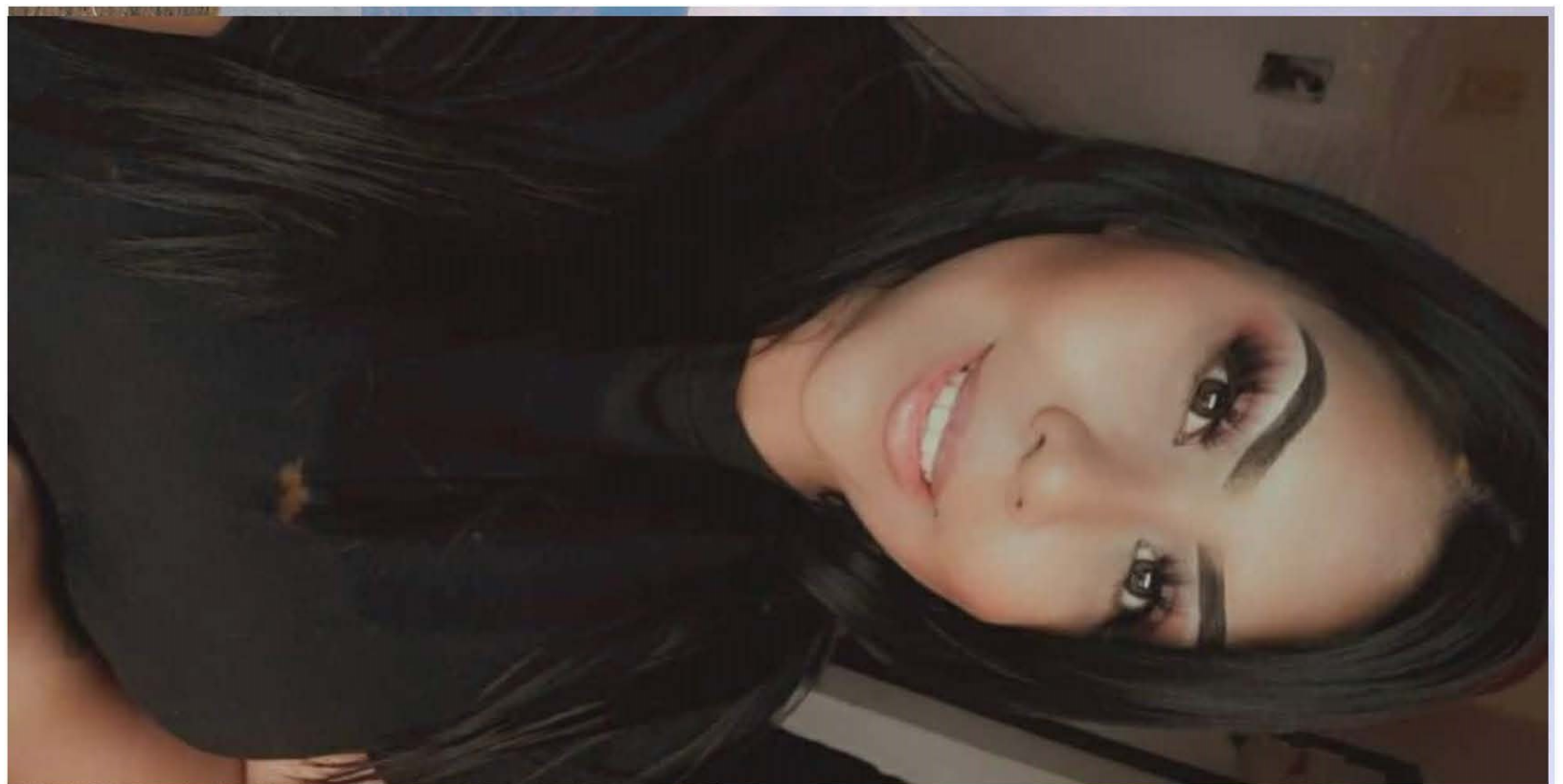
#JUSTICE FOR ANNA SCOTT

ON FEBRUARY 3, 2022, ANNA MARIE SCOTT WAS MURDERED. HER MURDER REMAINS UNSOLVED THREE YEARS LATER AS OF FEBRUARY 03, 2025 IN WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA.



Anyone with information, please contact the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Detective Division at (775) 328-3320, or Secret Witness at (775) 322-4900. Refer to case #WC22-563.

Secret Witness is now offering a \$5,000 reward for information leading to an arrest in the death of Anna Scott.





Pyramid Lake & Gerlach Fire Rescue EMS Department

104 State Route 447
PO Box 256
Nixon, Nevada 89424
Main Office (775) 574-8999

Donald J. Pelt, Fire Chief

VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS WANTED

The PLFR/EMS is actively seeking interested persons to become Volunteer Firefighters. Come out and serve your communities by becoming an active Volunteer Firefighter/EMT. The PLFR/EMS will train you and get you certified for Structural Firefighting, Wildland Firefighting Search and Rescue and Emergency Medical Services. There is no cost to you for Training and Personal Protective Equipment, all you need is a commitment to help your family and friends within your community.

To join all you need to do is apply for a Volunteer Firefighter position with the Human Resources Department. (you pay the cost of your Drug Screen and Background Investigation). To qualify you must be at least 16 years of age with parental consent, you will need a valid Nevada Driver's License (we help you get the F endorsement to drive a Fire Truck), have no felony convictions and be able to pass a Drug Screen and background investigation.

Training requirements paid for by the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe and taught by our instructors in house for the following within the 1st year of serving and meet Physical Requirements outlined in the Firefighter Job Description.

Firefighter 1 – with state exam 150 hours of training.

Wildland Firefighter II – 80 hours of training.

Haz-Mat Awareness – 8 hours of training.

Haz-Mat Operations -36 hours of training.

Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) 40 hours of training. (not required if taking EMT).

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) with National Exam (paid for by the student) -180 hours of training.

Emergency Vehicle Operations (EVOC) 16 hours of Training.

Incident Command System – ICS-100, 200, 700 and 800 - 32 hours of training.

Additional Optional classes preferred not required:

Firefighter II – with state Exam 60 hours of training.

Advanced Emergency Medical Technician with National Exam (paid for by the student) – 180 hours of training.

Posted January 14, 2025

In Memoriam



Ellery Williams "China"
Sunrise: June 02, 1963
Sunset: January 12, 2025

Services took place in Fallon, NV,
with burial at Stillwater Indian
Cemetery.



Trenton Dale Paddy
Sunrise: August 24, 1988
Sunset: January 13, 2025.

Celebration of Life took place in Reno, NV.



Melissa Ann Vasquez-Scott
Sunrise: August 02, 1972
Sunset: January 04, 2025.

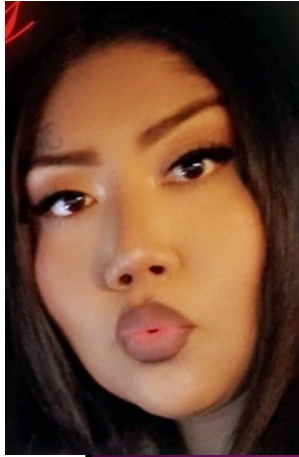
Services took place in Reno, NV.



Gerald Lee Tabby
Sunrise: March 13, 1959
Sunset: January 16, 2025.

Services took place in San Car-
los, Arizona.

In Memoriam



Blaire "Duetset" Brown
Sunrise: January 31, 1999
Sunset: January 21, 2025

Services took place in Reno, NV



Aryana Collier-Christy
Sunrise: September 23, 2000
Sunset: January 19, 2025

Services took place in Reno, NV., with burial at Hungry Valley Cemetery in Reno, NV.



Nathan Cortez
Sunrise: April 18, 1999
Sunset: January 21, 2025

Services took place in Reno, NV., with burial at Wadsworth Cemetery.



Jeanette Rose Hooper Losh
Sunrise: November 18, 1952
Sunset: January 21, 2025

Services took place in Fallon, NV., with burial in Yomba Shoshone Tribe Cemetery in Reese River Valley, NV.

Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe

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January 30, 2025

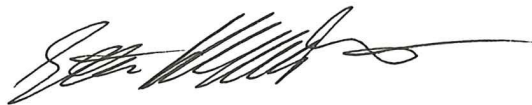
To our Pyramid Lake Tribal Members,

Thank you all for your trust and patience over the last couple of days, in what has truly been a test of our will and fortitude. If you have not been made aware, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), under orders from the President put a funding freeze on Federal Money. Further complicating the situation was a memo that rescinded that notice. Yet the Administration still says the freeze is in effect. We feel your frustration as many Employees are on the phone with their funding agencies trying to get answers to the important questions and clear up the uncertainty. The plan for right now is that all Tribal Departments will continue operations.

There are a couple of very important court cases pending right now that should help guide our actions in the coming weeks. Depending on their outcome, we may have to scale back operations. If these court cases take a turn for the worse, certain departments will not scale back. These include the Health Clinic, Police Department, EMS, and Court. This is a small sample group of over 30 different Departments that keep the Tribe running. We are working diligently to make sure as many operations continue to run as possible.

We have been told that no matter the outcome of the court cases, the Pyramid Lake Jr/Sr High School will continue operations, as well as the Fisheries.

More information will be provided in the following days and weeks, but until then please be safe and take care of each other.



Steven Wadsworth, Chairman
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe



**For Police, Fire, Medical
EMERGENCY DIAL 911**

To Contact the Police / Ranger Department:
 Non-Emergency 24 hour Dispatch 775-574-0444
 Police Department Front Desk 775-574-1014

To Contact the PL Emergency Response / EMS:
 Emergency Contact Number 775-574-1117
 Emergency Response Email Address:
 PLEmergency@plfish.us

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Pyramid Lake Members,

It has been brought to our attention that many of us have a magnet on our refrigerators with a number to contact PL Emergency Response/ EMS as well as an Email address for the same. They are the last two items on the very large magnet. These two items are no longer available for use. We are working on getting some new magnets for dispersal. In the meantime please use 775-574-8999 to call EMS/Fire. This is for non emergency situations. If you are having an emergency the only number you should call is 911. They will be able to provide you with the fastest service that you require.

Steven Wadsworth, Chairman
01/31/2025



Congratulations Kaitlin Mandell and Olivia Lara making the 1000 pts Club! GO LADY LAKERS!



November 2024

January 2025



Recruiting

The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe is currently recruiting for 1 vacancy on the **Economic Development Committee**. If you are interested in serving on the EDC, please complete a Committee/Board Participation Application Form and return to:

Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
ATTN: Tribal Secretary
PO Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Members shall be appointed by Tribal Council, the committee shall meet quarterly or as needed with all meetings open to the public. Committee Members shall serve 4 year terms.

Duties include:

1. Review applications for proposed project, make recommendations to Tribal Council on how project meets the goals, policies and actions steps for the Pyramid Lake Economic Development Plan.
2. Development an investment plan.
3. Work with Consultants and the Federal Government to manage the investment plan.
4. Develop and submit annual reports to Tribal Council on the status of the fund.
5. Review and recommend to Tribal Council amendments to the fund.
6. Other duties as established by Tribal Council.

Closing date to apply is February 10, 2025 at 4:30 pm.

The Pyramid Lake Fisheries currently has 1 Secretary position to serve a 1 yr term on the **Pyramid Lake Fisheries Board of Trustees**. (Must be a Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Member.)

If you are interested in serving as the Pyramid Lake Fisheries Board of Trustees' Secretary, please complete and return an application by **4:00 pm, February 13, 2025** to: Pyramid Lake Fisheries

603 Sutcliffe Drive
Sutcliffe, NV 89510.



NEVADA
PYRAMID LAKE TRIBE
PESA SOONAME

FILM SCREENING!

Finding Pesa Sooname

A story of identity, community, and dementia

Followed by a discussion with the filmmakers

Free & open to all!

Thursday, February 6
5:30 - 7:00 PM

Wells Fargo Auditorium
UNR Mathewson IGT Knowledge Center

RSVP at bit.ly/fps-rsvp



Questions? Contact Casey Acklin
cacklin@unr.edu, or (775) 682-8765



2025 EARL DUNN MEMORIAL
All Indian Men's Basketball Tournament

MARCH 28-30, 2025
Nixon, Nevada

ENTRY FEE: \$350.00 **DEADLINE: 3/17/25**

AWARDS:
CHAMPIONSHIP - 4TH PLACE; TRAVIS TAPIJA SINGLE GAME HIGH SCORER; MOST SINGLE GAME 3 POINTERS; ALL STARS; EARL DUNN MEMORIAL AWARD; MOST VALUABLE PLAYER


FOR MORE INFO CONTACT ANITA DUNN @ 775-771-2683
OR WALITA QUERTA @ 775-287-5095

2023-2024 Traditional Helpers & Healers Micro Grant Recipient

**2023-24 TRADITIONAL HELPERS & HEALERS
MICRO GRANT RECIPIENT**

SUSAN ALBRIGHT
PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE

**PROJECT: NUMMETU TUMASUA KWATU,
"OUR GARDEN"**



"Our Native Women are the backbone of our families. Our women are strong & endure many obstacles in their lives."

-Susan A.

RETURN TO
THE HEART
FOUNDATION

March 31 is a Double Deadline for People Eligible for Medicare

March 31 is a Double Deadline for People Eligible for Medicare UPDATED 2025 - Medicare Advocates should be aware of two important opportunities with a March 31 deadline: Medicare General Enrollment Period (GEP): January 1 – March 31.

Individuals who wish to enroll in Medicare Part A and/or Part B can do so ONLY during the annual General Enrollment Period (GEP) from January 1 through March 31, unless they are still within;

- Their Initial Enrollment Period; or
- A Special Enrollment Period for enrolling in Medicare (e.g., individuals whose employer-based insurance stopped, individuals who have lost Medicaid coverage, individuals who are leaving incarceration, or individuals in other special circumstances).
- Individuals must apply through the Social Security Administration (SSA).
- Coverage starts at the beginning of the month after an individual applies.
- Individuals who sign up for Medicare during the GEP may have a Part A and or B late enrollment penalty applied.
- More details on enrollment periods can be found at the National Center for Law & Elder Rights, Medicare Interactive, and Social Security.

Return to the Heart Foundation, January 13, 2025 Facebook post:

"This #MatriarchMonday, meet one of our latest Traditional Helpers & Healers grantees, Susan Albright! Susan's project, *Nummetu Tumasua Kwatu - Our Garden*, helps the next generations learn about diabetes and how they can maintain a healthier diet and lifestyle. This includes teaching our children about seeds, herbs and fresh ingredients. "

STEVE SESOLAK
Governor



RICHARD WHITLEY, MS
Director

STEVE H. FISHER
Administrator

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF WELFARE AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

**A Welfare representative will be at
Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic to process
SNAP TANF MEDICAID
on the following days:**

Fridays 8am-4:30pm

*Walk-ins accepted until 4pm

*Subject to change

***Walk-ins ONLY on a first come first serve**

**Clients may call DWSS Customer Service at
1-800-992-0900 ext 47200**

**For general information
District Offices – Northern Nevada**

Carson City District Office
2533 N. Carson Street, Suite 200
Carson City, NV 89706-0240

Elko/Winnemucca District Office
1020 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite 201
Elko, NV 89801

Ely District Office
725 Avenue K
Ely, NV 89301

Fallon District Office
111 Industrial Way
Fallon, NV 89406-3116

Hawthorne District Office
1000 C Street – PO Box 1508
Hawthorne, NV 89415-1508

Reno District Office
4055 S. Virginia Street
Reno, NV 89502

Sparks District Office
630 Greenbrae Drive
Sparks, NV 89431-3139

Yerington District Office
225 W. Bridge Street, Suite 6
Yerington, NV 89447
(LaPinata Mall)

GET CONNECTED TO FREE MEDICARE COUNSELING, LOCAL RESOURCE INFORMATION, & APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

The Medicare Assistance Program (MAP) Certified Counselors and Nevada Care Connection (NVCC) Navigators will be in your area weekly!



We will be at:

Where: Pyramid Lake Health Clinic

Dates: 2/3/25 & 3/3/2025

Time: 10-2

No appointment needed, walk-ins welcome. For more information call 877-861-1893

CERTIFIED MEDICARE COUNSELORS HELP WITH:

- Part D/Part C Enrollments
- Cost saving application assistance
- Tips on how to protect yourself from Medicare fraud
- Medigap Comparisons

NVCC Navigators help Nevadans access resource options and referrals such as:

- Medicaid
- Veterans benefits
- Food Assistance
- Housing
- Transportation
- Caregiving and respite



SAVING NUMU: A JOURNEY TO PRESERVE THE LANGUAGE OF THE NORTHERN PAIUTE

By Taylor Burke, KOLO 8

January 27, 2025

WADSWORTH, Nev. (KOLO) - At Natchez Elementary School, a unique program is breathing life into a language that was nearly lost.

Thanks to a \$1.2 million Native American Language grant from the U.S. Department of Education, the school is leading an effort to revive and teach Numu to a new generation. The program, called “Young Mustangs—Strong Futures Project,” aims to embed cultural identity and language instruction into the daily lives of students. Nearly 98% of the students at Natchez Elementary are members of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, making the initiative a deeply personal mission for the community.

Paiute elder, Reynelda James, has dedicated her life to preserving Numu as she remembers a time when speaking her native language was dangerous.

“We couldn’t speak the language. But, a dear friend of mine, who has sadly passed on now, we would speak it at night. There were two other girls in our room and we could hear them speaking Shoshone, so my friend and I started speaking,” recalled James. “But if we were caught, we would have to sit in the hallway with no blankets all night.”

The Stewart Indian School, located in Carson City, operated for nearly 100 years as a government-run boarding school for Native American children. The controversial school forced assimilation, at the cost of cultural identity. For James, this history underscores the urgency of passing Numu to the next generation.

“It’s so unnatural to punish someone for speaking their own language,” James said.

Kailauni Harry, a Numu language community specialist, leads the classes at Natchez Elementary. Harry’s journey with Numu began 15 years ago, inspired by her niece.

“I had to really think about what I had to offer my niece to help raise her up as her auntie / momma,” explained Harry. “So language was one of the things I began to prioritize.”

Now a mother herself, Harry’s perspective has evolved.

“I look at all of these children here like my own. So in that thought I couldn’t keep the language at home,” Harry said.

The curriculum combines language learning with cultural activi-

ties, storytelling, history, art, and music, immersing students in the traditions of their ancestors. The program doesn’t just benefit Native students. According to the school’s principal, Jake Chapin, introducing non-Native students to Numu fosters mutual understanding.

“Before we begin to understand others, we must understand ourselves, and that’s the heart of bringing this program to our school,” Chapin said.

The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe and the Washoe County School District are collaborating closely on the initiative. Tribal Chairman Steven Wadsworth sees the grant as a step forward in healing and awareness. “It is a day to be proud of those fighting for the restoration of our language,” he says. Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal Chairman Doug Gardipe adds, “The Numu language is the soul of our identity. Teaching it to our children restores what was taken during the boarding school era.”

The grant will ensure that 100% of students at Natchez Elementary receive cultural and language instruction, participate in cultural activities, and engage their families in these traditions. This holistic approach aims to strengthen not just the students but the entire community. James and Harry both hope these efforts will lead to a revival of the Numu language, ensuring its survival for generations to come.

“Our Numu language and culture go hand in hand, and it is an important part of who we are as Numu,” James said.

With the “Young Mustangs—Strong Futures Project,” the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe is not just teaching a language; they are reclaiming a piece of their identity and history. It’s a powerful reminder that even in the face of past injustices, cultural restoration is possible through determination, collaboration, and the belief that the future is worth fighting for.

“Through language I found myself to be very empowered. Through my journey I feel like I found my own eyes and that’s what I want for these children. I want them to be proud of themselves, I want them to stand strong on their own two feet, and I want them to know who they are so when they step out into that world, they don’t get lost,” said Harry.

See full story at: <https://tinyurl.com/2s3mjvsb>

FORMER PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBAL LEADER APPOINTED TO WASHOE SCHOOL BOARD

James Phoenix, former chairman of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, was unanimously appointed to the Washoe County school board on Tuesday afternoon.

The board recently narrowed down their search for the vacant District C seat to four candidates, where Phoenix ranked number 1 in trustees ranking system.

Phoenix, who goes by JJ, recently stepped down as the chairman of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe in March 2024.

He also lives on the Pyramid Lake Paiute Indian Reservation which is also part of District C.

Phoenix said he has experience having served as the chairman of the Board of Education for the Pyramid Lake junior and senior high school. He currently serves as the co-chair of the Veterans Committee for the National Congress of American Indians.

Phoenix said his interest is to ensure equality for all students and families within the district where their children can receive the best education our district has to offer.

He was an officer with the Reno Police Department for 25 years, he also served as lieutenant colonel for the Nevada Army National Guard for nearly 30 years.

After being selected during Tuesday's meeting, Phoenix was sworn in and took the oath of office and finished on the meeting with the rest of the board.

Phoenix's term will run until January 2027.

See full story at:

<https://tinyurl.com/msh3kp6w>



2025 REQUEST FOR SERVICE PROPOSALS

Contract for any of the following: **Medical Doctor or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, Advanced Practice Provider (NP/PA-C) Dentist**

REQUEST FOR SERVICE PROPOSAL for: Medical Director, Medical Doctor or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, Advanced Practice Provider (NP/PA-C), Pharmacist, Chiropractor, Dentist, Podiatrist, Optometrist

A. Introduction

Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic (PLTHC) requests you or your company make a proposal for your services as a contractor in your respective field. This proposal request will outline the scope of work and qualifications required to submit a proposal. Please read the time line carefully. For your proposal to be considered, your proposal must meet our deadlines included in this proposal.

B. Location

Services will be provided primarily at the Pyramid Lake Health Clinic located at 705 Highway446, Nixon, NV 89406

C. Management and contact information

This position will report to PLTHC Health Director. Please contact Dawna Brown, Health Director with questions about the proposal submission:

Phone: (775) 574-1018 x 1216 Fax: (775) 574-1114 dawna.brown@plpt.nsn.us

D. Scope of Work

The selected contractor will be expected to:

1. Provide the Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic with a valid e-mail address and phone number where the contractor can be reached when not on-site to facilitate communication.
2. Provide individual appointments for children, adolescents and adults with a variety of health diagnoses.
3. Collect information about clients using interview, case history, observation techniques and assessment methods to determine reliability and validity of treatment used.
4. Perform clinical case management.
5. Work in a team setting with medical providers.
6. Participate in bi-weekly staff meetings that include clinical case staffing.
7. Become sufficiently proficient in the use of the Electronic Health Record to record all client contacts before leaving the office.
8. Have knowledge of and proficiency in recognized evidence-based therapies.
9. Comply with all Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic policies and procedures and credentialing and privileging process.

E. Contractor Requirements

In accordance with procurement policies of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, this RFP is open to both Native American and

Non-Native American firms, organizations, enterprises and individuals with provision for Indian Preference (CFR 25 U.S.C. 472). The following will be rated according to the values provided:

1. Education *10*
2. License to practice independently in Nevada; 3-5 years of clinical experience *10*
3. Proof of Liability Insurance *10*
4. Experience working in Indian Country *40*
5. Native American status *20*
6. Veterans Status *10*
7. Price per day for treatment and notes *50*

F. Timeline

Deadline for Proposals: 02/20/2025

Contract period: 04/01/2025 - 12/31/2025

G. Proposal submission requirements

1. Letter of Interest
2. Resume or Curriculum Vitae
3. Proof of Professional Liability Insurance
4. Copy of current Nevada Professional License as applicable to your field/scope
5. 3 letters of reference
6. Bid amount showing fees as one (1) hour of service to be worked:
 - a. Indicate days available (Monday-Friday)
 - b. Indicate hours available (8:00 am-4:30 pm)
 - c. Indicate if available for one (1) Saturday a month.

The Clinic operates Monday-Friday and one (1) Saturday per month, Hours are 8:00 am – 4:30 pm. The Clinic is closed on recognized Federal and Tribal Holidays, as a contractor these are unpaid.

H. Submission

Interested individual/companies may obtain additional information from:

Dawna Brown, Health Director, Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic (775) 574-1018 x 1216.

Proposals must be clearly marked:

Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic
Attention: RFP Submittal for (Indicate position)
P.O. Box 227
Nixon, Nevada 89424

Sealed proposals will be received at the Pyramid Lake Tribal Health clinic until February 20, 2025-12:00 p.m.

2025 REQUEST FOR SERVICE PROPOSALS

Contract for any of the following: **IT Managed Services**

REQUEST FOR SERVICE PROPOSAL for:
Managed IT Services

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Phone: (775) 574-1018 x 1216 Fax: (775) 574-1114 dawna.brown@plpt.nsn.us

D. Scope of Work

The selected contractor will be expected to:

- I. Provide the Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic with a valid e-mail address and phone number where the contractor can be reached when not on-site in the event of network/application disruptions.
- II. Provide Managed IT services either at a fixed flat rate (24/7) or hourly and include unlimited IT support (Help Desk, application, and network support).
- III. Work in a team setting with medical providers, clinic staff and participate in various department meetings.
- IV. Have a clear understanding of the Privacy Act (45 CFR), 42 CFR part 2 and laws relating to protection of health/medical records, but not limited to familiarity of Indian Health Service Information Resource Management (IRM) and Information Technology Security (ITS) Programs. To ensure that all privacy rules, regulations, and laws are in compliance.
- V. Be proficient in the use, management, and updates of the Electronic Health Record (preferably Greenway, RPMS and VistA), Dental (Dentrix), Optometry (ImageNet), Door Lock Management/configuration, security system, and various medical software and equipment.
 - i. Setup, manage and remove user accounts for physical clinic access (door locks), Active Directory and necessary user applications.
 - ii. Schedule, verify, and maintain data backups.
 - iii. Implement and maintain new software programs as needed.
 - iv. Provide technical assistance to computer users for various types of computer equipment and peripheral devices including printers, fax, wireless access points, terminals, and clinic computers.
 - v. Provide repair and upgrade of computers (including hardware and software)
 - vi. Provide Network/System Administration to firewalls, switches, servers, and phone systems.
 - 1.Strong analytical and problem-solving skills to identify and fix security risks.
 - 2.Ability to build a culture of knowledge and awareness of security issues throughout the organization.
 - 3.Monitors systems for vulnerabilities, provides prioritization and drives remediation efforts.

- vii. Knowledge of HL7, DICOM, FHIR, and SQL standards.
- viii. Implement and document network components and performance.
- ix. Communicate and provide reports of outages and issues to Health Director

VI. Assist with other clinic projects and initiatives which help drive the clinic's vision and values aligning the clinic's technology strategy with the care, treatment, and improvement of patientcare.

VII. Comply with all Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic policies and procedures and credentialing and privileging processes.

2. Contractor Requirements

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- I. Education *10*
- II. 5-7 years of clinical/healthcare IT experience *10*
- III. Proof of Liability Insurance *10*
- IV. Experience working in Indian Country *40*
- V. Native American Status *20*
- VI. Veterans Status *10*
- VII. Price for Managed IT Services *50*

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Contract period: 04/01/2025 - 12/31/2025

F. Proposal submission requirements

- Letter of Interest
- Resume or Curriculum Vitae
- Proof of Professional Liability Insurance
- Copy of current Nevada Professional License as applicable to your field/scope
- Three (3) letters of reference
- Bid amount showing fees as one (1) hour of service to be worked:
 - a. Indicate days available (Monday-Friday)
 - b. Indicate hours available (8:00 am-4:30 pm)
 - c. Indicate if available for one (1) Saturday a month (TBA).

The Clinic operates Monday-Friday and one (1) Saturday per month, Hours are 8:00 am – 4:30 pm. The Clinic is closed on recognized Federal and Tribal Holidays, as a contractor these are unpaid.

G. Submission

Interested individual/companies may obtain additional information from: Dawna Brown, Health Director, Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic (775) 574-1018 x 1216.

Proposals must be clearly marked: Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic

Attention: RFP Submittal for (Indicate position)

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