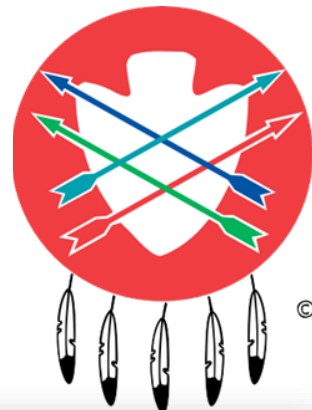


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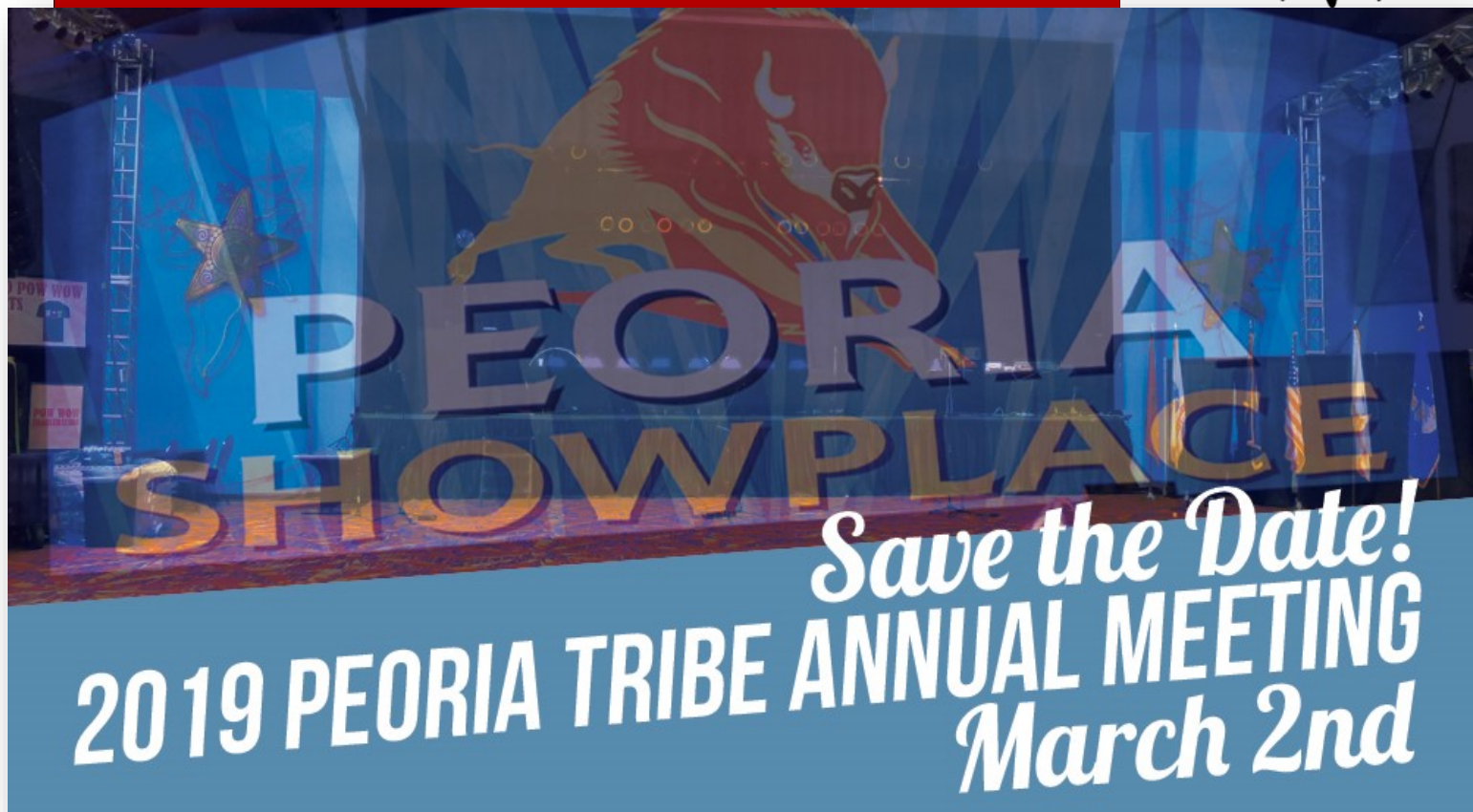
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**The NEW Peoria  
Tribe website is now  
LIVE! Check it out  
at:**

**[www.peoriatribes.com](http://www.peoriatribes.com)**

## Office of the Chief



Greetings Peoria Citizens!

Unity, progress, cultural revitalization, and a new vision for tribal prosperity, will continue to be the focus of our tribal leadership as we look onward to the new season. I am eager to connect with friends and family alike as we gather for the 2019 Annual Peoria Council Meeting. It has been an exciting year of change, and I believe hosting the meeting in a new venue will embrace the progress.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Peoria Showplace in Buffalo Run Casino on March 2, 2019. I believe we are just beginning to see what we can do if we remained committed and dedicated to our vision.

I want to share with you a brief recap of what has materialized as relationships merge on this journey. I had the privilege to attend Governor Kevin Stitt's Inauguration. Just as optimism and hope filled the air at this event, I hope to project the same sentiment to my fellow Tribal members. I hope we can have respectful and meaningful conversations that lead to movement and future progress.

I would encourage you to attend the Annual Meeting, bring your family, socialize, meet a Peoria citizen you may not know. The Annual Meeting is a time for us to conduct the business of the Tribe but is also a time to gather. For so many generations oral history was the only form of sharing and passing along traditions and stories. Let this be a time to gather, reflect, share and begin to rebuild.

As I look back to the growth of our Tribe, I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge the past leaders. Our previous leaders laid the foundation for future generations, so without that dedication and commitment, we would not be where we are today. In saying that, I thank you all, for your imprint on our Tribe.



**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF ANNUAL ELECTION  
PEORIA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA  
Scheduled Saturday, March 2, 2019**

The Election Committee of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma announces the cancellation of the Annual Election scheduled for Saturday, March 2, 2019. The positions to be filled at this Election were Secretary and Third Councilman.

Tonya Mathews, incumbent, was the only candidate to file for the position of Secretary. Isabella Burrell, incumbent, was the only candidate to file for the position of Third Councilman. All candidates were declared elected by the Election Committee. Each will serve a term of four (4) years.

***According to the Election Ordinance:*** “In the event that only one candidate files for elective office, that candidate shall be declared elected. In the event a candidate is declared elected, it will not be necessary for the Peoria Tribe to conduct an election by ballot for that elective office. Furthermore, in the event a candidate is declared elected, the candidate shall assume office immediately in the case of a vacancy, or at the next annual Peoria Council meeting upon the expiration of an elected official’s term.”

# Save the Date!

## 2019 Peoria Tribe Annual Meeting

When: March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

**Where:** The Showplace at Buffalo Run Casino

**Time:** Lunch- 11:30am-12:45pm

Meeting- 1:00pm

*\* \*Look for the side entrance at Buffalo Run Casino and Resort. There will be Signs leading the way. \* \**



**2019  
Peoria  
Tribe  
Annual  
Children's  
Christmas  
Party!**

PHONE: (918) 540-2535

**Tribal Offices Directory**

FAX: (918) 540-2538

<b><u>Title:</u></b>	<b><u>Contact:</u></b>	<b><u>Email:</u></b>
<b>Tribal Administrator</b>	<i>Chief Craig Harper</i>	<a href="mailto:chiefharper@peoriatribe.com"><u>chiefharper@peoriatribe.com</u></a>
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<b>Receptionist/</b>		
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<b>Enrollment</b>		
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<b>Director</b>	<i>Tracy Anderson</i>	<a href="mailto:tanderson@peoriatribe.com"><u>tanderson@peoriatribe.com</u></a>
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	<i>Justin Downs</i>	<a href="mailto:jdowns@peoriatribe.com"><u>jdowns@peoriatribe.com</u></a>

**The Peoria Tribal Burial Assistance Benefit**

The Peoria Tribal Burial Assistance Benefit is **\$10,000 per member.** All Burial Assistance Applications must be completed and returned with an original certified death certificate no later than 180 days from the date of death. All deceased must be enrolled members of the Peoria Tribe. Payment will be made directly to the funeral home. Please visit with the funeral home concerning this policy. You may request a copy of the application by contacting the Tribal Enrollment Director, Donna Harp, in writing, via email at [dharp@peoriatribe.com](mailto:dharp@peoriatribe.com), postal service, or by telephone at 918-540-2535 or 1-800-259-9987.





# *In Memory Of:*

**Vita Ray Frazee**

**Elizabeth Rose Martin**

**Kevin Colleen Rowland**



## **AVAILABLE**

### **INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE WATER AND SEWER ASSISTANCE**

The Indian Health Service, Miami Office of Environmental Health and Engineering, offers programs to install water and sewer facilities to qualified Indian Homeowners. Funding and construction of sanitation facilities, such as wells, water service lines, septic tanks and drain fields, wastewater lagoons and sewer service lines, are available.

Minimum eligibility requirements include:

1. Property must be located within the boundaries of the nine tribes of the Inter-tribal Council, Inc. of Northeast Oklahoma in Ottawa and Delaware Counties, Oklahoma.
2. You must be a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe, band or group.
3. The home must be Indian owned and occupied.
4. HUD homes must be paid in full before services can be provided.

Documentation of tribal affiliation and home ownership or long-term lease (5 years minimum) will be required with the application for services. Mobile homes must be tied down, skirted and wheels removed prior to service.

Please note that applying for service does not guarantee you will receive service. Service depends on the availability of funding.

Please contact Felicia Chuckluck, at [felicia.chuckluck@ihs.gov](mailto:felicia.chuckluck@ihs.gov) for more information. You may also call our office at 918-542-6414, or stop by our office located in the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. Administrative Offices at 21 N. Eight Tribes Trail, Miami, Oklahoma.

## **Tribal Committees**

### **Business Committee**

Chief	Craig Harper	03/2022
Second Chief	Logan Pappenfort	03/2021
Treasurer	Hank Downum	03/2020
Secretary	Tonya R. Mathews	03/2019
First Councilman	Carolyn Ritchey	03/2020
Second Councilman	Kara D. North	03/2021
Third Councilman	Isabella Burrell	03/2019

### **Grievance Committee**

Jessica Blalock.....	2021
Annette Black.....	2021
David Downum.....	2022
Mary Lembcke Davey.....	2022
Mark Davey.....	2020

### **Election Committee**

Kristen Gillman, Chairperson; Toni Potts, Secretary; Courtney McCartney, Bud Ellis

### **Enrollment Committee**

Jenny Rampey, Jeane Wynn, & Kay Harper

**Economic Development/Finance/Properties**  
Hank Downum

### **Housing/Social Services**

M. Annette Black

### **Education Committee**

Donna Fitzgibbon, Chairperson; Alan Goforth, Secretary; Sadie Detherage, Jamie Cantwell, Mary Davey

### **Audit Committee**

Michael Lewis, Kendra Robinson, Zach Goforth

### **Culture and Language Committee**

Donna Fitzgibbon

### **Stomp Dance Committee**

Karen Stand, Chairperson; John Froman, Ruthie Jones, Donna Fitzgibbon, David Tyner, Darlene Young, Jeffery "Dude" Blalock

### **Repatriation Committee**

Jason Dollarhide, Chairperson; Michael Eddy, John Froman, Eddie Froman, Cynthia Purgason, LeAnne Reeves, Jane Hahn, Laura McCoy

### **Cemetery Committee**

John Froman

### **Historical Committee**

Joann Evans, Chairperson; Roberta Lindsly

# The Annual Peoria Children's Christmas Party– 2018



I, Lacie Hickey, as the new Children's Christmas Party Coordinator, would like to thank all of the volunteers, Business Committee Members, and Peoria Tribal Office Staff for making this year's party such a GREAT success!! A special thank you to Mandie Ferguson, the previous coordinator, for working along side me as she trained me on the process of planning and organizing the party. I look forward to planning & organizing the Children's Christmas Party for years to come!

Now, as most of you who have attended the party in the last couple years may have noticed, the party has grown SO much that the OP building can no longer fit everyone comfortably. With that being said, the 2019 Children's Christmas Party will be held in The Showplace at Buffalo Run Casino! The date is already set for December 14, 2019. SO, get ready to have some *FUN*, and I look forward to seeing everyone in December! I urge you to plan ahead and be on the lookout for the party registration form in the next newsletter, as well as our website.

I wish you all good health and hope you have a happy New Year!

*Lacie Hickey*

P.S. Make sure you check out the photos I took from the party this year, throughout the newsletter! If you see a photo of your kiddo that you would like a copy of, just let me know!











**PEORIA TRIBE**  
OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA

# STOMP DANCE

**Saturday, March 2, 2019**  
**The Showplace at Buffalo Run\*, Miami, Oklahoma**

**Dinner at 5:30 p.m.**

**Stomp Dance from 7 p.m.**

Home folks please bring a  
covered dish and a cake.  
Visitors – bring yourselves!

Please bring your own lawn chairs.

Not responsible for accidents.

No alcohol or drugs allowed!

**CAKE WALKS – 50/50 – RAFFLES**

**For more information contact The Peoria Tribal Office**  
**At 918-540-2535**

**\*Look for the side entrance at Buffalo Run Casino and Resort. There  
will be Signs leading the way.**

Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma			
Unaudited Summary Expenditure Budget Report			
As of 12/31/2018			
(In Whole Dollars)			
<u>Open FY 2019 Programs</u>			
Account Title	Currently	Actual	Total Budget
ICW	96,597.00	91,809	4,788
Damage Assessment	36,762.00	30,546	6,216
Community Health Representative	54,926.00	11,169	43,757
Title VI	125,170.00	114,784	10,386
Library	6,000.00	1,248	4,752
GAP	115,000.00	23,645	91,355
Air Program	76,175.00	2,551	73,624
Water-Non Point Source Base	64,209.00	11,500	52,709
Water Quality Program	121,860.00	12,606	109,254
Indirect Cost Pool	502,206	435,517	66,689
Tribal Properties	372,543	91,437	281,106
Trading Post	8,548	1,174	7,374
Children's Christmas Special Revenue Fund	20,800	14,291	6,509
Gaming Commission	444,500	310,209	134,291
Cemetery Special Revenue Fund	10,870	6,868	4,002
Pow Wow Fund*	130,064	56,581	73,483
Tribal Fish Hatchery	120,630	82,611	38,018
Elder Care/Disability Program	200,000	119,781	80,219
Education/Activity 2617	1,465,000	818,967	646,033
Economic Development / Activity 2614	150,000	-	150,000
Land Acquisition/Activity	543,000	292,995	250,005
Burial / Activity 2617	220,000	152,669	67,331
Tribal Government / Activity 2621	748,055	465,892	282,163
Legal Fees / Activity 2627	450,000	257,486	192,514
<b>Totals FY 2019</b>	<b>6,082,915</b>	<b>3,406,338</b>	<b>2,676,577</b>
<u>Open FY 2018 Programs</u>			
Account Title	Currently	Actual	Total Budget
Aid to Tribal Government	241,348.00	0	
Higher Education Grant	79,276.94	62,558	16,719
IRR 2% Planning	7,815.65		
Tribal Youth Development-Aquaculture	38,192.00		
Fish Hatchery Maintenance	145,000.00	235	
Endangered Species	119,800.00		
Title IV B	8,648.00	0	
Child Care Program	2,780,874.00	0	2,780,874
Promoting Safe & Stable Families	13,823.00	866	12,957
<b>Totals FY 2018</b>	<b>3,434,778</b>	<b>63,659</b>	<b>2,810,550</b>
<u>Open FY 2017 Programs</u>			
Account Title	Currently	Actual	Total Budget
Aid to Tribal Government	253,770.00	183,670	70,100
IRR 2% Planning	7,782.68		7,783
Tribal Youth Development-Aquaculture	38,192.00	21,678	16,514
Invasive Species	96,000.00	67,093	28,907
Endangered Species	137,000.00	60,344	76,656
Child Care Program	1,007,666.00	722,006	285,660
<b>Totals FY 2017</b>	<b>1,540,411</b>	<b>1,054,791</b>	<b>485,620</b>
<u>Open FY 2016 Programs</u>			
Account Title	Currently	Actual	Total Budget
Endangered Species	130,000.00	104,431	25,569
<b>Totals FY 2016</b>	<b>130,000</b>	<b>104,431</b>	<b>25,569</b>
<u>Open FY 2015 Programs</u>			
Account Title	Currently	Actual	Total Budget
Aid to Tribal Government	245,821.00	227,501	18,320
Cultural Resource Fund	15,000.00	0	15,000
<b>Totals FY 2015</b>	<b>260,821</b>	<b>227,501</b>	<b>33,320</b>
<u>Open FY 2008 Programs</u>			
Account Title	Currently Budgeted	Actual Cumulative Expenditures	Total Budget Remaining
Housing Improvement Program Contract	25,069	15,839	9,230
<b>Totals FY 2008</b>	<b>25,069</b>	<b>15,839</b>	<b>9,230</b>

PEORIA TRIBE				
SUMMARY OF TRUST FUNDS				
December 31, 2018				
ACTIVITY				TOTAL
114 ACRES AT WYANDOTTE				\$8,998.19
PEORIA DESCENDANTS		PRINCIPAL	0	11,957.68
		INTEREST	11,957.68	
EDUCATION (Transfer)				830.18
EDUCATION		PRINCIPAL	176,850.16	299,184.23
		INTEREST	122,334.07	
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		PRINCIPAL	172,150.95	283,756.77
		INTEREST	111,605.82	
LAND ACQUISITION		PRINCIPAL	172,150.95	283,753.97
		INTEREST	111,603.02	
BURIAL		PRINCIPAL	57,386.81	96,517.97
		INTEREST	39,131.16	
TRIBAL GOV'T		PRINCIPAL	571,741.85	1,019,625.51
		INTEREST	447,883.66	
LEGAL		PRINCIPAL	57,386.81	97,976.86
		INTEREST	40,590.05	
TOTAL				2,102,601.36
				SUMMARY
OVERNIGHTER (U.S. TREASURY)				67,836.36
INVESTMENTS				2,034,765.00
TOTAL				2,102,601.36

[www.peoriatribes.com](http://www.peoriatribes.com)

[www.beoliscipe.com](http://www.beoliscipe.com)

## Child Care Development Fund Program

The child care program is funded through the Administration for Children and Families (ACF). This program is to provide childcare services and activities. The qualifications for the program are:

- There will always be a co-pay per child per month for each family.
- Live within 100 miles of the Peoria Tribal Office in the states of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, or Oklahoma.
- There must be an individual that is a member of a federally recognized tribe residing in the household.
- Be under 13 years of age; or be under the age 19 and physically or mentally incapable of caring for them selves; or under court supervision.
- Reside with a family whose income does not exceed the maximum net income level, there will be some deductions considered. Income level does not apply to the children that are physically or mentally incapable of caring for themselves.
- Co-pay **example**: Monthly net income of \$4,596.00 for a family of four, the co-pay would be \$124.00 per child per month. Every family will have a co-pay.
- Reside with a parent, parents or guardian who are gainfully employed or attending a job training or educational program; or receive, or need to receive, protective services.
- Adult must be at work or in class in order for the CCDF Program to assist with child care.

## EDUCATION

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Every Peoria college student is encouraged to apply. Financial need is not one of the criteria for the Peoria scholarship.

It is never too early to obtain a scholarship application. You may do so by writing Education Director, Peoria Tribe, P.O. Box 1527, Miami, OK 74355; by phoning the Peoria office 1-918-540-2535 ext 10 or 1-800-259-9987 ext 10; or check it out on the Peoria Tribal website, [www.peoriatribes.com](http://www.peoriatribes.com).

**Application deadlines are July 31 for the Fall semester and January 7 for the Spring semester.**

Incomplete or postage due applications will not be considered. Students who accept scholarship funds but do not complete their obligation for that semester or maintain a 2.5 GPA forfeit their eligibility until they complete a semester on their own.

If you know a Peoria student who has received scholastic honors or other special recognition at his or her school, please let the Education Director know. I can be reached at 1-800-259-9987, or 1-918-540-2535.

Lacie Hickey, Education Director



Join us to learn how to sell your products through ETSY, an e-commerce website focused on selling handmade arts and crafts.

Friday, March 1st  
9:30AM-3:00PM

# CALLING ALL ARTISTS AND CRAFT ENTREPRENEURS

Peoria Ridge Golf Course Conference Area  
10301 S. 600 Rd. Miami, OK 74354

Register at: [nativebiz.org](http://nativebiz.org)  
Contact: Lynn Wilson  
[Lynn@idrsinc.org](mailto:Lynn@idrsinc.org)

The cost is free and refreshments are provided. *Please bring a laptop. If you do not have a laptop we can provide one for you.*

The workshop  
will teach participants how to:

1. Open an online ETSY store
2. Attract customers to your store
3. Better photograph product images



PEORIA TRIBE  
OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA



REI  
WOMEN'S  
BUSINESS CENTER



NORTHEAST TECH  
Business & Industry Services

Sponsors: IDRS Acorn Project, Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma, REI Women's Business Center, Northeast Technology Center

## Peoria Pride

# Are you an Artist?!

We want to feature you!

Send us your artwork, so we can put it in the newsletter.

Mail to:

Peoria Tribe PO Box 1527, Miami, Ok 74355

or email [lhickey@peoriatribes.com](mailto:lhickey@peoriatribes.com)



Interested in a possible \$20 gift card?  
Spend 15 minutes taking our:

### HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY

#### Contact Information

Jordan Barlow  
[jbarlow@peoriatribes.com](mailto:jbarlow@peoriatribes.com)  
(918) 542-2535 Ext. 42

The survey will be available  
through June at the Tribal Offices,  
as well as at the Annual Meeting.  
1 Gift Card per person.  
Must be over 16 to be eligible.

## FREE DENTAL SCREENINGS FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS

When: Annual Meeting (March 2nd)  
Time: 8am - 1pm  
Location: Ottawa/Peoria Cultural Building



The Caring Van partners with tribes  
and travels to community events,  
health fairs and schools in  
Oklahoma to provide preventive  
health care and education to  
American Indian children and  
adults.



Do you have an announcement or Peoria Pride story you would like to share?!

Let us know!

## From the Office of a Grant Writer

By: Erin Barnes



The position of Planner/ Grant Writer was created to grow opportunities for the Peoria Tribe and its citizens. As a grant writer, I research funding opportunities for the Tribe through federal, state, and local governments; as well as non-profit organizations. My goal is to expand the Tribe's footprint using federal funds and to minimize funds received directly from the Tribe.

I have been busy researching and applying for opportunities. The opportunities we are currently focusing on are those that will expand tribal enterprises, research and development of possible new programs, as well as, to further develop current programs.

You might be asking yourself, "what are the benefits of grant writing?" That is a good question. Every year, governments and private companies around the world offer millions of dollars in the form of grants to help organizations fund projects. Grants are available for everything from scientific research to construction. Grant writing provides several benefits to Tribes that range from economic development and organizational structuring to finding funds to support program costs. The economic benefit of receiving grant funds is probably the most obvious benefit to grant writing. Grant funds can range in size from a couple of hundred dollars to thousands of dollars depending on the nature of the grant and the organization responsible for its distribution. Grant writing gives the Tribe the ability to obtain funds that never have to be paid back, with only the cost of the initial investment or a required match. The initial investment is the cost required to write the grant. Matching funds are funds that some entities require as collateral, cost-sharing, or in-kind. These funds are a requirement to secure the requested funds, as well as to show that the Tribe has a stake in the project and will do its utmost to ensure the project will be completed and the grant funds are used properly. Grant writing requires a lot of time researching and time reading through pages and pages of requirements and regulations. Grant writing also requires an understanding of what the Tribe is eligible for, what applies to the Tribe, and what is of most benefit to the Tribe, at that given time.



## Tribal Member Reimbursement Program For School Supplies/School Clothes Program Description

### ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

In an effort to streamline tribal mailings, applications for the School Supply Reimbursement Program will **ONLY** be available on our website or in office.

[www.peoriatribe.com](http://www.peoriatribe.com).

### Guidelines

- Student must be an enrolled member of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma.
- **Must** provide with application a **copy of the student's tribal membership card**.
- Student must be currently enrolled in grades K-12.
- **Must** provide **original letter on official letterhead from school certifying the student's enrollment for current school year**, or a **print off of the students current schedule or grades**.
- Maximum amount is \$500 per school year.
- Must provide original receipts, **no copies will be accepted**. However, copies will be accepted on a case by case basis. Receipts submitted must be dated between **May 1, 2018-May 31, 2019** and show date and amount of transaction with description of item purchased.

PERIOD	MONTHLY PROCESSING DEAD- LINE
Period 1 – July 1 <sup>st</sup> through July 31 <sup>st</sup>	July 31 <sup>st</sup>
Period 2 – August 1 <sup>st</sup> through August 30 <sup>th</sup>	August 30 <sup>th</sup>
Period 3 – September 3 <sup>rd</sup> through September 30 <sup>th</sup>	September 30 <sup>th</sup>
Period 4 – October 1 <sup>st</sup> through October 31 <sup>st</sup>	October 31 <sup>st</sup>
Period 5 – November 1 <sup>st</sup> through November 30 <sup>th</sup>	November 30 <sup>th</sup>
Period 6 – December 1 <sup>st</sup> through December 31 <sup>st</sup>	December 31 <sup>st</sup>
Period 7 – January 1, 2018 through January 31, 2019	January 31, 2019
Period 8 – February 1 <sup>st</sup> through February 28 <sup>th</sup>	February 28 <sup>th</sup>
Period 9 - March 1 <sup>st</sup> through March 31 <sup>st</sup>	March 31 <sup>st</sup>
Period 10 – April 1 <sup>st</sup> through April 30 <sup>th</sup>	April 30 <sup>th</sup>
Period 11 - May 1 <sup>st</sup> through May 31 <sup>st</sup>	May 30 <sup>th</sup>
Period 12 - June 1 <sup>st</sup> through June 30 <sup>th</sup>	June 30 <sup>th</sup>

Upcoming Period  
Deadlines! Get your  
applications in the  
mail/turned in  
**before** the 30th/31st!

Examples of costs allowable for reimbursement under this program include paper, pencils, notebooks, backpacks, shoes, clothes, school uniforms, lab fees, activity fees, summer school fees, or other fees charged by the school system. All costs must be itemized on a printed receipt and submitted with the Program Application.

All submitted receipts for the school year 2018-19 must be dated between **May 1, 2018-May 31, 2019**. Any receipts submitted not falling between these dates will be returned.

All applications for reimbursements must be submitted to the Education Director at the Peoria Tribal Office.

**Only one application will be accepted per student per period. Each student can only be reimbursed 3 times per calendar year not to exceed the \$500 maximum.**

Please contact Lacie Hickey if you have any questions or need assistance.

**Application Tribal Member Reimbursement Program  
For School Supplies/School Clothes  
Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma  
PO Box 1527, Miami, OK 74355  
918-540-2535**

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please print: First Last

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please print: First Middle Last

**(Only one application will be accepted per student per period)**

Student's Tribal Roll #: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Attach copy of students membership card)

School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Attach original certification of enrollment from school)

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Total of attached receipts: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**MUST BE ATTACHED: (check list below)**

☐ Copy of Tribal Membership Card

☐ Original Certification of School Enrollment

☐ Original Receipts (not copies) of Purchases for School Supplies/Clothes

All receipts must show date and amount of transaction with description of item purchased.  
Receipts submitted must be dated between May 1, 2018 - May 31, 2019

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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**DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE/OFFICE USE ONLY**

Period Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_  
Membership Confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Mailed: \_\_\_\_\_

## Elder Care and Disability Reimbursement Program

### Program Description

The Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma has established a program to aid the elderly population that could benefit from an additional funding source to supplement their households, and/or disability needs, without restricting or interfering with other government programs.

The Elder Care and Disability Reimbursement Program (ECDRP) will make available up to \$1000 per fiscal year (April 1st- March 31st) for eligible tribal members. Each eligible tribal member may only choose from one program to receive reimbursement, being limited to 3 requests for services per fiscal year, not to exceed maximum total of \$1000. All denied benefits will be reviewed by a 3 person Review Committee comprised of the Chief and 2 accounting staff members. Individuals will not be permitted to receive benefits as both “elderly” and “disabled.”

**Applicants may only utilize one program.**

### Qualifications Criteria:

- ◆ Individual must be a **current enrolled living member** of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma, evidenced by Tribal Enrollment Card to receive benefits.
- ◆ Eligible tribal member must be **65 years or older**, evidenced by a Photo I.D. to receive benefits.
- ◆ Eligible **adult** tribal member must provide an award letter or benefit statement from the Social Security Administration (dated within last 90 days), to receive disability benefits. **No other proof of disability will be accepted.**
- ◆ Minors or other disabled individuals already receiving Disability Social Security or SSI benefits payable to a representative payee, will be eligible for tribal reimbursement program. All payments will be made to the **representative payee** as designated on SSI records. **Minors not receiving SSI benefits must have documentation of state or federal Determination of Disability to receive reimbursement.**

### Eligibility for Reimbursement:

- ◆ An approved application **signed by applicant or legal representative** must be on file. A new application is to be submitted each Fiscal year.
- ◆ Submission date of the application will be the date the application is received at the Tribal office.
- ◆ **ORIGINAL RECEIPT(s) (not copies)** must be sent to the tribal office, and be dated within the fiscal year of application date.
- ◆ All receipts must come from the vendor or service provider, contain the vendor’s contact information, and a detailed summary of product(s) and services.
- ◆ Eligibility for both programs cease upon tribal members death.

### Eligible Expenses:

#### **Insurance and Taxes:**

- ◆ Life Insurance
- ◆ Home Owner’s Insurance
- ◆ Automotive Insurance
- ◆ Healthcare Insurance
- ◆ Personal Content Insurance for renters
- ◆ Property Tax

**Note: ALL insurance/proof of ownership of property must be in the name of the eligible tribal member to qualify for payment.**

#### **Utilities:**

- ◆ Electric
- ◆ Natural gas
- ◆ Propane
- ◆ Water
- ◆ Trash services
- ◆ Telephone services

**Note: ALL utilities must be in the name of the eligible tribal member to qualify for payment.**

#### **Health Care Expense:**

- ◆ Prescription eye glasses
- ◆ Dentures
- ◆ Medical Alert Service
- ◆ Prescription medication
- ◆ Health care deductibles
- ◆ Physician prescribed ambulatory product (wheelchair, cane, walker)
- ◆ Hearing aids
- ◆ Miscellaneous items prescribed by a physician

**Note: ALL prescriptions and deductibles must be in the name of the eligible tribal member to qualify for payment.**

**You may also review the policies and procedures on the tribal website, or contact the office to receive a copy. If you have any questions feel free to contact Logan Pappenfort at 918-540-2535 at the Peoria Tribal office.**





**Application**  
**Elder Care & Disability Reimbursement Program**  
PO Box 1527, Miami, OK 74355  
918-540-2535

Tribal Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip Code

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**(Only 3 applications will be accepted per tribal member per fiscal year)**

Tribal Roll #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Attach copy of membership card)

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

Program Applying for: (check one)

**Elder Care:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Disability:** \_\_\_\_\_

Total of attached receipts: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**MUST BE ATTACHED: (check list below)**

☐ Copy of Tribal Membership Card

☐ Copy of Photo I.D.

☐ Original Receipts of Purchases for items or services (stated in guidelines)

**Disability applicants will also need:**

☐ Award Letter, Benefit Statement or Determination of Disability documentation.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Membership confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_ Reimbursement Requisition \_\_\_\_\_ Check mailed \_\_\_\_\_

## Cultural Department

Aya Tribal Members,

It has been an exciting few months for the Cultural Department here at the tribal office. We have actively been pursuing ways in which to engage our tribal members as well as our community in Peoria Culture. In late November the Cultural department was asked by a tribal member as well as the Alan Bowden School in Tulsa to come out and demonstrate our native dances for Native American day. This was our first time to coordinate a dance troop for this kind of event. However, we knew it was something we wanted to do to help educate the next generation about our culture and traditions.

Thankfully we are blessed with Karen Stand as our Assistant Cultural Officer who knows a lot of great people and even with never organizing an event such as this after several phone calls our Dancers and Singers were all set up and ready to go show the Alan Baldwin School a small piece of our rich culture.

On behalf of the Cultural Department we would also like to take the time to thank our singers and dancers who came out and made this event such a success!

Singers: Damien Blackfox, Jay Boy Blalock, Shawn Ellick, Billy Ellick

Dancers: Margaret Hicks (Marge), Joe Ellis, Jacob Lux, Tammy Lux, Eniyah Hicks, Legend Blalock, Aspen Matthews, Jeremiah "Biscuit" Jim, Easton Matthews, Hanan Matthews.

Neewe,

Logan Pappenfort

Pictured top left to right:

Margaret Hicks (Marge),  
Joe Ellis, Jacob Lux,  
Tammy Lux, Eniyah  
Hicks, Legend Blalock,  
Aspen Matthews,  
Jeremiah "Biscuit" Jim.



**FROM THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE****Is your State Certified Birth Certificate on file in the Enrollment Office?**

The Enrollment Office is continuing to update all tribal membership files. Many members have already sent in their state certified birth certificates. To comply with Federal guidelines and be eligible for a CDIB card, issued through the BIA, a state certified birth certificate is required. Reminder; state certified birth certificates must show, state file number, state seal, state registrars signature and parentage. If you are unsure if you have a state birth certificate on file, please call the Enrollment Office. If you need assistance in acquiring one please contact the State Vital records Department in the State you were born and they will assist you in how you can acquire one.

**Is your name updated in your membership file?**

The Enrollment Office will be glad to assist any member who needs to have their name changed. If your name has changed please update your file to your current legal name. Please bring or send in your legal documentation (i.e. marriage license, court order), a current unexpired government issued photo ID and a signed, dated letter stating what your name was and declaring how you would like your name to appear on the tribal roll. Once you have declared your name it cannot be changed without legal documentation. Once received, the name change process can begin. If you are receiving the tribal newsletter with a previous name listed on the address label, please call the Enrollment Office for assistance or send your legal documentation (i.e. marriage license, court order) so the name change process can begin. It has been observed, the postal service has been returning newsletters and other miscellaneous correspondence sent from the Tribe if a persons name does not match their postal record. The process to update your name is not an immediate event. Please update your name before a need arises as the process takes the same amount of time whether there is a need or a want for a name change.

**Missing or Change of Address**

We still have several members with no address on file. Any and all help is appreciated in finding these members. We do have members who contact the office with updates for family members. The assistance is greatly appreciated. However, when the Enrollment Office receives a telephonic or electronic address change, the Enrollment Office will send a change of address form to the missing member with a request for completing the change of address form. Once the Enrollment Office receives the original, signed, completed form, the address is updated and the form is placed in the members file for accuracy. The Enrollment Office must have written permission from the tribal member, over the age of 18, or the legal custodial parent, for members under 18, for address changes. If you know someone who has moved or a tribal member household that is not receiving a newsletter please have them contact the Enrollment Office. If you would like, you can send the change of address form to them for their completion and return or an individual can download the form from the Peoria Tribe website [www.peoriatribe.com](http://www.peoriatribe.com). Go to Programs, then to Enrollment, under the Enrollment section there will be a change of address form highlighted in red, open the form, print the form out, have the individual (if over 18) or legal custodial parent (if under 18) to sign and return to the Enrollment Office.

The Enrollment Office has a new change of address form. Please dispose of any other change of address form you may have and replace with the current one. The new form has been placed in this newsletter.

The address for returning the form is:

Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma  
Attn: Enrollment Office  
PO Box 1527  
Miami OK 74355

Thank you to all who have and will assist in this ongoing endeavor. All help is valued.

**Enrollment Ordinance Reminders**

The Enrollment Office receives calls with requests for help or general enrollment information. To help members, listed below are a few reminders of the Enrollment Ordinance, which was revised and approved March 23, 2002. Below are sections of the Enrollment Ordinance of which the questions or information are typically asked.

**Section 2.** Dual enrollment with another Federally recognized tribe is prohibited and such prohibition shall be strictly applied; an enrolled member of another tribe shall not be eligible for membership with the Peoria Tribe. If a member of another tribe wishes to become a member of the Peoria Tribe, they must first relinquish all membership with other Federally recognized tribes.

**Section 8.** Each enrollment application must be completed in its entirety and must contain sufficient information to determine the applicant's eligibility for enrollment. Applicants must list the following on enrollment applications: all names by which the applicant has been known, applicant's current mailing address, name and notarized affidavit confirming applicant is not enrolled with any other Federally recognized tribe, and signature of the applicant or signature of the person filing the application on behalf of the applicant.

**Section 9.** Applications for enrollment must be accompanied with a State certified birth certificate. Applications received without a State certified birth certificate will not be processed. The following must be visible on State certified birth certificates:

- State Seal
- State File number
- State Registrar's signature

State certified birth certificates must also be recorded with the State Vital Records Division of the state of birth. The following documents **are not** acceptable when accompanied with enrollment applications:

- Hospital birth certificates
- Baptismal certificate (even when parents' names are shown)
- Heirship records
- County abstracts

Approval of birth certificates issued by foreign nations or other highest-ranking governmental sub-division with jurisdiction to issue birth certificates will be at the discretion of the Enrollment Committee.

**Section 15.** The tribal membership roll will be on file at the Peoria Tribal office. Any tribal member may visit the tribal office during regular office hours to examine the accuracy of specific roll data for him/herself. Roll data may be viewed for other tribal members only at the request of a parent regarding their minor dependent child's record. Under the Privacy Act 5 U.S.C., 552a, Section (b), release of record information regarding any tribal member who *is not a minor* is prohibited unless the tribal member provides prior written consent with a Privacy Act disclosure statement.

**Section 18.** Changes to active membership records, such as name changes due to marriage or divorce, must be made by legal documentation (i.e. marriage license, divorce decree, court order, etc.). Active members with change of addresses and other status information must notify the Enrollment Office at P.O. Box 1527, Miami, OK 74355 or by telephone at 918-540-2535 or 1-800-259-9987. Maintenance and accuracy of membership record data is the sole responsibility of each tribal member. Each tribal member is personally accountable for correct membership record information (i.e. contact information and/or name changes). The Tribal Enrollment Office will review changes to membership records to be forwarded to the Enrollment Committee; the Enrollment Committee shall certify its recommendation of approval to be approved by the Peoria Business Committee. Changes to membership records must ultimately be passed by resolution from the Business Committee and submitted to the Miami Area Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

If I can be of any assistance please call (918) 540-2535 or (800) 259-9987.

Submitted by,

*Donna Harp, Enrollment Director*



**PEORIA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA****REQUEST FOR CHANGE OF ADDRESS & RELEASE OF INFORMATION****ENROLLMENT OFFICE****PO Box 1527****Miami OK 74355****Phone: 918-540-2535****DATE** \_\_\_\_\_**Tribal Member:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(First Name) (Middle Name) (Maiden Name) (Legal Last Name)**DOB:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SS#** \_\_\_\_\_ **Roll No.** \_\_\_\_\_**PHYSICAL ADDRESS:****MAILING ADDRESS:**\_\_\_\_\_  
**Address**\_\_\_\_\_  
**Address**\_\_\_\_\_  
**City State Zip**\_\_\_\_\_  
**City State Zip**\_\_\_\_\_  
**Primary Phone**\_\_\_\_\_  
**E-mail**

I hereby understand by signing and checking any or all of the below listed departments I am giving my permission for the Enrollment Office to release my address information for use by these departments to send any correspondence.

Do you give permission for the Enrollment Office to release this address to these Inter-Office Tribal Department(s)/program? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

If yes, please check the Department(s)/program:

\***ALL INTERDEPARTMENTAL OFFICES/PROGRAMS** \_\_\_\_\_ (If this box is checked you do not need to check the individual boxes)**Newsletter:** (Electronic e-mail) \_\_\_\_\_ (Postal Service) \_\_\_\_\_ **Tribal Announcements** \_\_\_\_\_**Any/All reimbursement program(s)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Accounting** \_\_\_\_\_ **CCDF** \_\_\_\_\_**CHR** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cultural** \_\_\_\_\_ **Education** \_\_\_\_\_**Election** \_\_\_\_\_ **Environmental** \_\_\_\_\_ **ICW** \_\_\_\_\_**Tribal Surveys** \_\_\_\_\_

\*Interdepartmental offices/Programs are any office/program which reside at the current location of 118 S Eight Tribes Trail Miami OK 74354 aka: Tribal Programs Office Building only

\*\*For consent and verification of request for an address change, any member over the age of 18 must sign their own change of address request form.

\*\*An address cannot be updated until the Enrollment Office receives the signed change of address request form.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of person submitting this request****Please list all other Tribal Members of your household, under 18, who will need to have address changed (those over 18 must sign their own form). Use back if more names need to be included**\_\_\_\_\_  
**(Name) (DOB) (Name) (DOB)**\_\_\_\_\_  
**(Name) (DOB) (Name) (DOB)**



# BUFFALO RUN



CASINO & RESORT

## 20 POWWOW 19

... SATURDAY MARCH 30TH, 2019 ...

LIVE IN THE PEORIA SHOWPLACE  
1000 BUFFALO RUN BOULEVARD | MIAMI, OKLAHOMA 74354

# \$50,000 IN PRIZE MONEY

REGISTRATION GRAND ENTRY 2ND GRAND ENTRY  
**9:30AM 11:00AM 6:00PM**

### SPECIAL DANCE CONTESTS:

MEN'S FANCY DANCE - \$1200, \$400, \$400

WOMEN'S BUCKSKIN - \$1200, \$400, \$400

TEEN BOYS WINNER TAKE ALL - \$600

### HOST SOUTHERN DRUMS

SOUTHERN THUNDER  
WILD BAND OF COMANCHES

### HOST NORTHERN DRUMS

EAGLE FEATHER  
TBA

### MASTER OF CEREMONIES

NEIL LAWHEAD

### ARENA DIRECTORS

DUDE BLALOCK | BRAD KILLSCROW

### DANCE CATEGORIES

CLOTH • BUCKSKIN • FANCY SHAWL • JINGLE • FANCY • TRADITIONAL

GRASS • STRAIGHT • CHICKEN • GOLDEN AGE 50+ \$800 \$600 \$400 \$200

ADULTS: 18-49 \$800 \$600 \$400 \$200 • TEENS: 13-17 \$400, \$300, \$200

JUNIORS: 7-12 \$300, \$200, \$100 • TINY TOTS: DAY MONEY

CONTACT: CHRISTIE (918) 542-1873

AFTER HOURS: (918) 325-1110 LEAVE A MESSAGE

BUFFALO RUN HOTEL: (918) 542-2900



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• ANYONE UNDER 21 MUST BE ESCORTED BY AN ADULT OR CASINO SECURITY • INVITED DRUMS ONLY  
• NO ALCOHOL IN THE SHOWPLACE AT ANY TIME DURING THE EVENT • VENDORS (NO OUTSIDE FOOD)  
• NO FOOD VENDORS • CONCESSION AVAILABLE • SUPPER BREAK ON YOUR OWN • NO LAWN CHAIRS • NO SPECIALS







# February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5 BC Meeting 6 pm	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day! 	15	16
17	18 President's Day office closed	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 School Supply Reimbursement Deadline- Period 8		

# March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Annual Meeting
3	4	5 BC Meeting 6 PM	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 St.  Patrick's Day!	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 School Supply Reimbursement Deadline- Period 9						

# April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 BC Meeting 6 PM	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Good Friday Office Closed	20
21 Easter Sunday 	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 School Supply Reimbursement Deadline- Period 10				

What information would YOU like to see  
in the newsletter?!

Please Email or Mail your suggestions to: Lacie Hickey,  
[lhickey@peoriatribes.com](mailto:lhickey@peoriatribes.com)

**Would you like to  
receive an  
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of the Newsletter?**

*Please email Lacie at  
[lhickey@peoriatribes.com](mailto:lhickey@peoriatribes.com)*