

A:shiwi A:wan Messenger



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Office of Planning and Development Update

The Pueblo of Zuni and its consultants, Buffalo Design and Consensus Planning, have made progress on the update to the Route 4 Development Master Plan. Several meetings have been held with Zuni Tribal Programs, Zuni Housing Authority, and Zuni School District to discuss goals for the future development area along BIA Route 4 north of Highway 53.

A community survey will be designed and distributed as a method of receiving a wide range of public input (see page 6, bottom right). Community meetings will also be held at key milestones in the project.

The Master Plan will provide the overall framework for the development of the 1,046-acre site. It will include a Land Use Development Plan that graphically illustrates the different areas for residential, commercial, parks, open space, and a roadway system that provides access and utility corridors for the entire Master Plan area. The Master Plan will describe the specific housing types and commercial uses that would be appropriate for development over time.

The Master Plan will also include goals, objectives, design guidelines, and supporting documentation for the Land Use

Write to Defend *Heshoda Bitsulliya*

Community Letter-writing Campaign Scheduled for May 1

The next letter writing campaign to defend *Heshoda Bitsulliya*, Chaco Canyon, will be on Sunday, May 1st, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. outside the Zuni Tribal Building.

This is a great opportunity to protect this precious cultural resource from mining and drilling for many years to come. The public decision-making process depends on public comments, so the more letters in support of protecting *Heshoda Bitsulliya*, the stronger the chance of a successful outcome. Letter-writing materials will be provided, including stamps and envelopes.

If you still need to sign a support letter you're already written, please call the Tribal Archives office at (505) 782-7222.

Development Plan graphic. It will be supplemented with sketches and concepts to illustrate the character desired for each of the land-use types illustrated in the Land Use Development Plan.

The update to the Master Plan involves a shift from the previous version; housing development will be the new focus of the Master Plan, with commercial development playing a smaller role. New housing is needed to accommodate existing employees of the Pueblo, attract new employees, and bring tribal members back to Zuni. A

If you are unable to join on Sunday, please take the time on your own schedule to defend *Heshoda Bitsulliya*. Letters must be on paper – email is not an option – and received by Friday, May 6 in Farmington at the following address:

Ms. Sarah Scott
CCNHP Area Withdrawal
Bureau of Land Management
Farmington Field Office
6251 College Boulevard, Suite A
Farmington, New Mexico 87402

Letters that are postmarked on May 6 but not received that day will not be considered.

Councilman Kucate's public comment is reprinted on page 3.

diversity of market-rate housing options will be considered, which may include single-family, duplex, apartments, and multi-generational housing.

The Project Team will prepare several alternative land use concepts for review and comment. The relative merits of each concept will be described. This is an ongoing process, so please stay tuned for updates, the community survey, and community meetings.

Planning continues on page 8

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a new COVID wave is building

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A:shiwi College & Career Readiness Center Update

ZETAC

The **Zuni: Empowering Teachers And Community** (ZETAC) program is continuing into its eighth year of opportunity. The program provides supplemental tuition, fees, and books for participants, as well as transportation. Participants have included licensed teachers who are working toward advanced degrees, non-degree participants who choose to enter an educational related field, and students who are first time college students. Students must have used their Pell grants and tribal scholarship resources to qualify. This scholarship is for those who have unmet financial needs after using their Pell and tribal scholarship program funds. Applications are available at ACCRC and the contact person is Stacy Panteah, Administrative Services Manager, at (505) 782-6015, or (505) 567-0917. To date, the program has assisted over 20 students to earn their college degrees.

Early Childhood Language Immersion Micro-school

ACCRC received a three-year grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation to develop an early childhood language immersion pre-school program based on Zuni and Indigenous cultural and Montessori educational methodologies. The intent is to devise a curriculum and associated teaching best practices to slow the language loss documented within the community. The current educational practices used in the public education system have not effectively supported Native language learning and fluency among tribal populations in New Mexico. This program will feature enhanced culturally based language learning for a cohort of 10 children, with support programs for families of the children. The 2021-22 year is designated as a planning year, with implementation planned for 22-23.

The program is guided by an advisory group of dedicated Zuni teachers and former teachers all with experience in teaching at the Early Childhood levels. Financial support has also been provided by the Zuni Tribal Council.

Accreditation status report

The ACCRC Executive Director, staff and consultants continue to progress toward becoming eligible for the next steps toward independent accreditation. Presently the major organizational documents have been completed and reviewed by the A:shiwi Tribal College Advisory Council and forwarded to the Zuni Tribal Council for review and approval. These documents include: Feasibility Study; Board of Trustees (BOT) Manual; BOT By-laws; A:shiwi Tribal College Charter; Chartering Resolution; A Resolution authorizing the recruitment and preparation of a slate of qualified candidates to the Tribal Council for BOT appointment; Letter of transmittal to the BIE/Higher Education and to

the American Indian Higher Education Consortium.

Anyone interested in submitting their candidacy as a Board of Trustee member may contact Hayes A. Lewis, Executive Director of ACCRC, at 782-6010 for an application packet.

Summer Video Academy

A summer video academy is being planned to support ZPSD secondary students in areas of social and emotional wellness. Participants will learn to use cameras and produce videos on themes of community recovery from trauma. The agenda includes project-based learning, field trips to area sites important to Zunis, a field trip to the Institute of American Indian Arts' film/media program in Santa Fe, and a showcase of participant videos. Nat Stone is the instructor.

Culinary Arts Program

The ACCRC Culinary Arts program is progressing well, and six students are in the first co-hort. Chef Jaye Wilkinson is the instructor and the course is for either those who want to improve their cooking/baking techniques (non-degree), or those who take the course for credit. The ACCRC maintains a full-service small commercial teaching kitchen and we welcome new students. Chef Jaye lives near Timberlake and operates a small farm with her husband. She has many years of experience working in high-end restaurants and has worked with well-known Chefs including the late Anthony Bourdain.

College Visitation field trip:

The Department of Student Services has scheduled a career and college awareness field trip to the University of New Mexico to attend the **2022 American Indian Junior Day**, and to visit the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute in Albuquerque. 18 students from Zuni High School have signed up for the event, which will be held on April 26-27, 2022. Chaperones/drivers are provided by ACCRC and ZECDC. Other career awareness educational field trips are planned for IAIA in Santa Fe, NMSU in Las Cruces, NAU in Flagstaff, AZ and NTU in Crownpoint.

BIA-ACCRC Agricultural Educational Collaborative Program:

Planting time is upon us again! In preparation for this the ACCRC, in collaboration with the Zuni BIA Agency and the Zuni Tribe, is hosting a series of gardening workshops over the next several months to promote gardening and planting in the community. All workshops are free and will be held either in the outdoor classroom or in Room 141.

The first was scheduled for April 22, 2022 at 9:30 a.m., and featured Joyce Skeet from Spirit

Farm north of Zuni and her soap-making workshop using natural plants. Participants learned how to make soap and other products using natural and organic materials. Other workshop topics include:

Soil regeneration and preparation, Hoop house planting; low-cost Hoop house construction, beekeeping, rainwater harvesting, plant give-away, cultural and traditional planting methods, fruit tree grafting, and reintroduction of ancestral Zuni peach and apricot trees.

The backyard hoop houses promised to those lucky participants in last season's hoop house construction workshop will be delivered soon! We haven't forgotten about you and wish you the best this growing season.

Please contact Shanna Penketewa at 782-6010 for details.

Zuni Pueblo MainStreet Seeks Community Input

Many visitors to Zuni comment on the beauty of the area with the trees, valleys and mesas they see as they arrive. We as Zunis are very fortunate to live in an area where Mother Earth has given us so much beauty. Zuni Pueblo MainStreet is planning to add to the beauty by making improvements to Highway 53 within the community, and we request your input on the planning and design of the corridor. This is an exciting opportunity for you to help make Zuni a better place to live and to visit.

Zuni Pueblo MainStreet has access to technical assistance, and the Pueblo of Zuni can apply for New Mexico MainStreet (NMMS) Capital Outlay funds to fund the project. The volunteer planning committee will meet regularly to develop improvement recommendations with the assistance of NMMS technical assistant specialists, and improvement recommendations from the Indigenous Design & Planning Institute of the University of New Mexico.

You can find the next planning date on the ZPMS Facebook page [@zuni.mainstreet](https://www.facebook.com/zuni.mainstreet) and posted at the Zuni Post Office. You can also contact the ZPMS office at 505-782-7237 or info@zunipueblomainstreet.org for more information.



Councilman Kucate's Letter in Defense of Heshoda Bitsulliya

April 26, 2022

Ms. Sarah Scott
CCNHP Area Withdrawal
Bureau of Land Management
Farmington Field Office
6251 College Boulevard, Suite A
Farmington, New Mexico 87402

Dear Ms. Sarah Scott,

This letter serves as my support statement for the Department of the Interior's consideration to withdraw and therefore protect the greater Chacoan landscape that is currently under the management of the Bureau of Land Management. This statement should also be understood as support for current efforts being conducted by the Chaco Heritage Tribal Association work group to document the strong cultural, emotional, psychological and heritage associations that the Puebloan people have to this critically important landscape.

Since the time of our Ancestors' Emergence and Migrations, we, the A:shiwí people, have viewed ourselves as more than the descendants of our ancestors who lived in our homeland landscapes. These ancestral places are our *inheritance*, and we possess a strong stewardship obligation to our ancestors, whose

spiritual essences reside in these ancestral places that populate and give life to the A:shiwí traditional cultural landscapes.

Chaco Canyon is known as *Heshoda Bitsulliya* (circular house or structure) to the Zuni People, and is remembered through oral tradition as a location where Zuni medicine societies settled during their migrations to Idivan'a (now known as Zuni Pueblo). At Chaco Canyon, through interaction with other Pueblo groups, Zunis obtained songs, prayers, and ceremonies that remain an integral part of our cultural and religious practices. For our people, Chaco Canyon forms part of an expansive landscape comprised of our ancestral settlements and the natural world in which cultural and natural features are interconnected. We, Zunis, have developed a unique understanding of the land because it reflects our cosmology, ideology, political structure, and social order. Many biological and cultural resources that reside on the greater Chacoan landscape continue to be important for the maintenance of our cultural practices, serving both as the physical documentation of Zuni history, and as active dwellings where ancestral spirits live.

Past actions by the Bureau of Land Management in privileging extractive industries

for gas and oil exploration throughout the San Juan Basin has functioned in hegemonic ways that do violence to the Zuni enduring connections to our cultural landscape. Moreover, the federal agency's adherence to this privileging of extractive industries has inattentively perpetuated colonial violence on the Zuni people and other Indigenous communities and individuals through the destruction and theft of cultural materials that belong to our ancestors. These past actions have and continue to effectively erase Puebloan connections to our homelands and landscapes and threaten to alienate and erode our cultural identity that indelibly circulates through and enfolding of the past, present, and future. As a Zuni medicine society leader, I urge the Department of the Interior to not allow this important cultural landscape to further become a wasteland that directly threatens the continuation of our way of life. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Arden Kucate

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Leader of the Great Fire Society

Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA)

Continues to be offered by Zuni Housing Authority (ZHA)

Applications available in ZHA's office lobby area

(104 D Avenue in Blackrock)

or can be downloaded from ZHA's website at

<https://www.pozha.org>

Eligibility Criteria:

- Open to ALL Zuni Tribal members and other Native American's **on AND off the Zuni** Reservation. (Must provide proof of tribal membership)
- Open to Non-Native heads of household (with Zuni tribal family members)
- Open to **Non-Natives residing ON** the Zuni reservation.
- Be renting or a Lease Purchase Homebuyer
- Financial burden is directly or indirectly due to COVID-19.
- Applicant must meet household local median income guidelines of their county.

What does this assistance cover?

- Prospective rent / Past due rental arrears
- Prospective utility bills /past due utility arrears (electric, gas, water)
- Propane (submit a picture showing % of tank IF you don't receive monthly billing)
- Other expenses: Such as hotel/motel costs (must provide receipts)
- Internet costs (Verification of installation date was **after** March 13, 2020)

For more information about this assistance program, please contact the Housing Management staff at 505-782-4550.

ZUNI TRIBAL PREVENTION PROJECT

Family Wellness Kits

For Families with Youth Ages 5-11

6 Activities Included!

Registrations are being accepted! Receive kits monthly for free! Spend meaningful time together doing fun family activities.

REGISTER TODAY BY GIVING US A CALL OR SCANNING THE QR CODE

Give us a call at (505) 782-7186/7187
Open Monday-Friday
8am-5pm

Testimonials: "A great way for us to try new things." FWK Participant; "Gives us things to do on weekends." FWK Participant; "More family time, we look forward to the kits every month." FWK Participant; "Interesting activities that get us to spend time together without electronics." FWK Participant

Let's Support Zuni Businesses!

Let's support local Zuni Businesses, from the small business that sells snow cones, to our community markets and more. The following are the types of businesses we have:

1. Hair cutting salon
2. Rental of mobile home lots
3. Propane gasoline sales
4. Fast food/takeout orders including restaurants
5. Whole/retail jewelry businesses including purchasing from local artists
6. Four convenience stores

7. Three market stores sell fresh produce including meat products, dairy products and other essential needs

The following businesses are currently licensed, and rely on the community for their support:

1. All Tribes Indian Market
2. All Tribes Trading Post, Inc
3. ARTZ Cooperative
4. AX Propane
5. Best Fresh Squeezed Lemonade
6. Chu Chu's Restaurant
7. Cellular One

8. Fast Stop III
9. Speedway
10. The Hooee's
11. Kay's Salon
12. Major Market – Starbucks
13. Major Market
14. Turquoise Village
15. Pueblo Traders, Inc.
16. Pueblo Trading Post
17. Seoutewa's Food Services
18. Sunny Days
19. Luis Auto Shop
20. White's Trailer Park
21. Zuni Express
22. Zuni Shopping Center
23. US Bank
24. Wells Fargo
25. Pinnacle Bank
26. First Financial Credit Union

Zuni Public Library Celebrates Poetry and Distributes Art Kits; Board Members Needed

Great news Zuni community, ZPL served 219 patrons for the month of March. April is midway through, and we invite our community to come to YOUR Zuni Public Library.

April is National Poetry Month. We'd love to share the works of poet, writer, artist, and educator Ms. Tanaya Winder. She is a member of the Duckwater Shoshone Tribe and is from the Southern Ute lands of Ignacio, CO. You may view more poetry at poetryfoundation.org or at tanayawinder.com.

Being

by Tanaya Winder

Wake up, greet the sun and pray.

Burn cedar, sweet grass, sage –

sacred herbs to honor the lives we've been given,

For we have been gifted these ways since the beginning of time.

Remember, when you step into the arena of your life,

think about those who stand beside you, next to, and with you.

Your ancestors are always in your corner, along with your people.

When we enter this world, we are born hungry,

our spirits long for us to live out our traditions

that have been passed down for generations.

Prayer, ceremony, dance, and language – our ways of being.

Never forget you were put on this earth for a reason –

honor your ancestors,

Be a good relative.

Source: *Poetry* (March 2021)

ZPL will have its final family art kit distribution in May. A Zuni artist is creating and designing this kit. Distribution will be on Saturday, May 7, 2022 @ 1 p.m. Where: Zuni Tribal Fair Grounds. 100 art kits will be distributed on a first come, first served basis. Art is for everyone; please come and pick up an art kit. Books donated from Darien Book Aid and ZYEP will be distributed as well.

We are actively seeking community members to serve on our ZPL Board. Board members are vital in helping the staff by giving recommendations on how ZPL and its staff may serve our community. Your time, opinions and input are needed. Applications are available here at the Zuni Public Library.

Candidates and Voters, Take Note: Upcoming Milestones in the 2022 Tribal Election Calendar

May 20: Deadline to submit Nomination Packets for the Office of Governor/Lt. Governor and Tribal Council

June 7: Post "Notice of Primary Election" and List of All Nominees. If more than two (2) teams for the Governor and Lt. Governor, and/or more than twelve (12) for Council members, a Primary Election will be held in the month of August, 2022, pursuant to the Election Code

June 7: Tribal members can request an Absentee Ballot via phone, email Election.Board@ashivi.org, at the Election Office, or through written request at c/o Election Board, Post Office Box 339, Zuni, New Mexico 87327

July 26: Deadline for Voter Registration for Primary Election

July 26: Deadline for Request of Absentee Ballot for Primary Election

August 16: ZUNI TRIBAL PRIMARY ELECTION – If necessary

August 17: Posting of official "Nominees" for the Zuni Tribal General Election

August 17: Voter Registration Re-Opens

November 25: Deadline for Voter Registration for General Election

November 29: Deadline to request for Absentee Ballot for General Election

December 13: ZUNI TRIBAL GENERAL ELECTION. Posting of votes will be at the Zuni Tribal Building entrance

Date TBD: Traditional Inauguration, Large Plaza



ZUNI ELECTION BOARD

P. O. Box 339

Zuni, New Mexico 87327

Phone: (505) 782-7191

www.ashivi.org

Zuni Game and Fish Department Update

The Zuni Game and Fish department would like to welcome back Calbert Ondelacy who is now Certified BIA Indian Police officer. His 14 weeks of Law enforcement training are complete and now Mr. Ondelacy will be on the Field training program with the Zuni Game and Fish department. Welcome back home. Good job and well done.



April Ranger follow up:

- The Zuni Game and Fish Tribal Rangers are currently out enforcing the Zuni Animal Control Ordinance and Zuni Solid waste Ordinance within the Zuni Village area
- The Free VET clinic is over until fall season; please feel free to stop and talk with our Tribal Rangers
- Fishing activities still slow with the wild spring weather still around. Rangers are out interviewing fishers to collect important data for the Zuni Fish and Wildlife department, so please don't drive off when Rangers arrive at the lakes. Please call Zuni Fish and Wildlife department at 505-782-5852 for more fish stocking information
- Bird hunting activity will be closed at the end of April to the Zuni Public as stated on the Zuni Fish and Wildlife bird hunting permit. Rangers will be enforcing and monitoring hunting areas. Zuni sewer lagoons and sewer ponds are closed to the public as well. Zuni Blackrock Dam area is closed for bird hunting due to the close proximities of the Zuni housing areas and community
- Waterfowl and migratory bird flyway seasons are approaching with the warmer weather; Zuni is a primary nesting area for eagles, mallards, turkeys and songbirds. For a prosperous bird-hunting season this fall, hunters in general need to respect all Zuni Game and Fish Laws set by our grandfathers to respect nature for the future and plentiful harvest
- The Zuni Game and Fish department is moving forward and working hard to improve the overall public safety and health within our Sacred Zuni Reservation.

Look for updates on job openings for Zuni Game and Fish department to hire more staff. If interested, the department does have a Ride-Along program. If you are interested and willing to take time from your schedule to go out see how Rangers operate in the field, please contact Zuni Game and Fish department at 782-7224/7727.

Call Zuni Police dispatch at 782-4494/4493 for any Animal control service.

Veterinary Clinic Sets New Records

This past free veterinary clinic, held April 7th through the 11th, broke all previous records for animals treated. 441 dogs and cats were spayed or neutered, vaccinated and/or treated for illness. 1051 sheep were vaccinated.

The veterinarians spoke with Governor Panteah regarding the deteriorating condition of the old, large clinic, and a renovation is now planned for completion by the time of the next clinic in October. The Pueblo of Zuni thanks the Native American Veterinary Services for their years of service and labor on behalf of all the animals of Zuni.

Zuni Healthy Lifestyles is doing what?! Basketball is Back!

April 2022



2022 Season:
12 Teams - 96 Players
Games are an hour long!

Program Updates:

- *3on3 Basketball - accommodate for 2020 Lost Season due to Covid-19.
- *Zumba sessions are back with Evelyn!
- *Various Fitness Activities at the Fitness Place!
- *Nutrition Education Sessions!

REMINDERS:

***DO YOU KNOW YOUR NUMBERS?!** (A1C, Blood Pressure, Weight, Height, Glucose, etc.)
A1C numbers can tell if you are at risk of becoming Diabetic!



Want to get back on Track with your Healthy Lifestyle?

Come see us at Zuni Healthy Lifestyles Program

- We offer 1on1/Group Fitness Classes, A1C, Blood Pressure, Glucose, Height, Weight Checks, Lifestyle Coaching, and Nutrition Education.
- Give us a call at 505-782-3091/2299 or visit us at Route 301 North Building #3 (Next door to the WIC Office)

Public Notice

Byron Calavaza, a defendant who was convicted on multiple sexual assault charges here in Zuni in 2018, was also sentenced in Federal District Court in February, 2022, but was returned last week to ZDC to complete his sentence

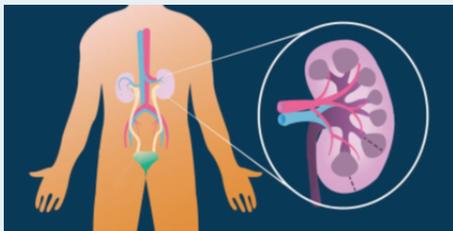
on his original Zuni convictions. The Tribal Judge issued a new sentencing order and Calavaza will be serving time at ZDC until August, 2024.

Daryl Dickson, a defendant currently charged with criminal homicide in Zuni, has a warrant out for his arrest.

American Indian Chronic Renal Insufficiency Cohort Study (AI-CRIC)



The AI-CRIC Study is an NIH (National Institutes of Health) funded study designed to follow a group of adult American Indians with chronic kidney disease (CKD). Our goal is to look at the risk factors of the progression of kidney disease and the development of Cardiovascular Disease (CV).



Who can join the AI-CRIC study?

- ◆ You may qualify if you are at least 21 years old.
- ◆ Have diabetes.
- ◆ Spilling protein in your urine.
- ◆ Willing to participate.

What are the benefits to you?

- ◆ You may receive an early diagnosis and treatment of kidney disease and or cardiovascular disease.
- ◆ Your participation might help researchers come up with new ways to help others in the future.
- ◆ You may receive up to \$225 for completing the study.

What do kidneys do?

The kidneys are the organs that clean your blood and keep your blood pressure under control.

They play an important role in maintaining the correct balance of salt and water in your body.

What is Kidney Disease?

There are two types of kidney disease that are common at Zuni.

1. **Diabetic kidney disease:** Diabetes may overwork the kidneys and cause them to function improperly.
2. **Non-diabetic kidney disease:** Several diseases lead to inflammation and scarring of the kidney. Many factors may be responsible.

Can early detection of kidney disease help?

Yes. Progression of kidney disease may be controlled with:

- Medications
- Blood pressure control
- Healthy life style
- Blood sugar control

What are the signs and symptoms of kidney disease?

Medical tests can determine if you have early signs of kidney disease before any symptoms develop.

As kidney disease progresses and becomes more severe a person might have or feel some of the following symptoms:

- Swollen hands or feet
- Loss of appetite
- A funny taste in mouth
- Sick to the stomach and vomiting
- Weak and tired
- Short of breath
- High blood pressure
- Anemia (fewer red cells in blood)



So, what are the next steps?

- ◆ If you are found eligible and consent to participate, you will be asked to complete the following procedures:
 - Study clinic visits,
 - collection of demographics & medical history,
 - vital signs,
 - electrocardiograph (ECG),
 - physical exams,
 - blood and urine tests,
 - questionnaires, and phone calls.
- ◆ Over the next 4-5 years, we may ask you to follow a schedule of in-person visits that may occur, on average, once per year and telephone follow-up calls once per year. We will collect study information at the clinic facility, or at another location, such as your home.

ROUTE 4 RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT COMMUNITY HOUSING SURVEY

Visit the link below or scan the QR code with any smartphone to complete the survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZuniRt4MP>



Link is also posted on the Pueblo of Zuni Facebook Page.

Paper surveys are available at the Office of Planning & Development and completed surveys can be dropped off at the drop-off box located at the Tribal Building Main Entrance.

Surveys are being accepted until May 13, 2022

Thank you for your participation!

PUEBLO OF ZUNI
OFFICE OF PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT
POZ.OPD@ASHIWI.ORG
505-782-7282

Thank you, Zuni Telecommunicators

April 10-15, 2022 was designated as National Telecommunicator recognition week, and on behalf of the Zuni Division of Public Safety, we extend our appreciation to our Zuni Telecommunicators who have one of the toughest jobs in public safety. They show up day and night, taking the difficult calls. They are the unseen heroes who are the first to respond to emergency calls for service. They have to remain calm in order to gain necessary information and forward that information as needed by the Police, Fire, or Emergency Medical Responders.

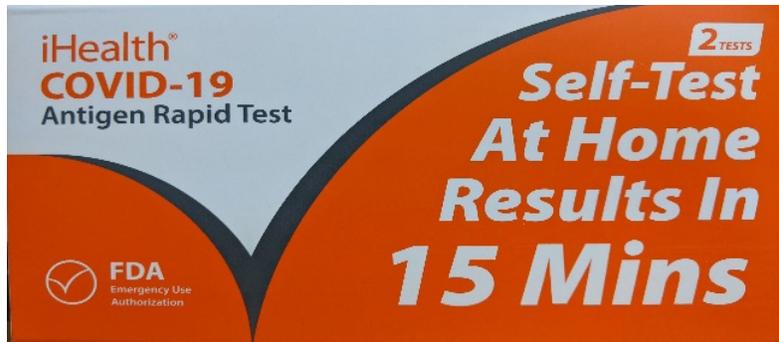
Our Zuni Telecommunications Staff are:

Alisha Kaskalla	Telecommunicator Supervisor
Breanna Delena	Telecommunicator III
Francke Coonsis	Telecommunicator III/Network Control Operator
Deidre Garcia	Telecommunicator II
Alexiss Peyketewa	Telecommunicator I
Lynette Lalio	Telecommunicator I
Evonne Waseta	Telecommunicator I
Kaden Bowannie	Telecommunicator I
Channing Homer	Telecommunicator I

Thank you for your dedicated service and professionalism.

Attention Zuni Community Members

The Zuni Office of Emergency Management would like to inform the Zuni community that there is still plenty of both wood and COVID-19 home test kits. If you need either, please contact the Call Center at 782-7441 for more information.



iHealth[®] COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Test

2 TESTS

Self-Test At Home Results In 15 Mins

FDA Emergency Use Authorization



MOST STUDENTS WHO SPEND TIME WITH THEIR FAMILIES ARE LESS LIKELY TO DRINK ALCOHOL.

Data Source: 2020 Youth Strength-Based Survey



HERE ARE SOME WAYS TO SPEND TIME WITH YOUR CHILD:

- Go on family outings
 - Family hikes
 - Family bike rides
- Communicate with one another
 - Share stories
 - Talk about family history
 - Have device free dinners
 - Teach Zuni language
- Teach something new
 - Cultural traditions
 - Cook meals together
 - Encourage new hobbies
 - Garden together
- Have movie nights
- ZTPP Family Wellness Kits



SHUMAK'OLO:WA HEALTH CENTER

Stronger Together in Hope for Change.



UPCOMING MAY EVENTS:

- 03 **Resource Panel Presentation**
5:30pm - 7:30pm

PANELIST:

- > NEWFOUND Hope
- > New Mexico Legal Aid
- > Southwest Indian Foundation

- 19 **Love & Grief in the times of COVID: Traditional Healing & Western Medicine**
5:30pm - 7:30pm
- 26 **Mental Health Resource Fair**
9:30am to 4:00pm

ALL ACTIVITIES WILL BE HELD AT THE SHUMAK'OLO:WA HEALTH CENTER

MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

As part of our Mental Health Awareness initiatives, the Shumak'olo:wa Health Center will be providing opportunities for our community members and programs. Mental Health is essential to one's overall health and well-being and that mental illnesses are treatable. Perhaps this collective experience of living with the emotional and psychological impacts brought on by COVID will help cultivate not only more awareness, but more compassion and hope.

For more information and registration, please call Joelynn Allapowa at 505-782-5719 or Joelynn.Allapowa@ashiwi.org

ZUNI MULTI-SPORTS COMPLEX

The Pueblo of Zuni received funding in 2020 from the NM Indian Affairs Department to plan a Multi-Sports Complex for the community. The Office of Planning and Development is the lead for this project and has partnered with the Zuni Youth Enrichment Program (ZYEP) and Zuni Public School District (ZPSD).

Memorandums of Understanding have been established with both ZYEP and ZPSD for their participation and assistance for the duration of this project. In addition to working with ZYEP and ZPSD, we will collaborate with other tribal programs for this initiative.



Planning meeting with Buffalo design, Tribal Council, and project stakeholders on February 24, 2022, at the Senior Center

The Office of Planning and Development advertised a Request for Proposals (RFP) for strategic planning services for the Multi-Sports Complex in November 2021. We received 3 proposals by the deadline from Huitt-Zollars, Inc., MRWM Landscape Architects, and a joint proposal from Mammoth/The Sports Facilities Companies. After a thorough review, the review committee selected MRWM Landscape Architects to develop a Master Recreational Plan for the proposed facility plan.

Below: CDEC Project Map



The Office of Planning & Development has negotiated a fee with MRWM Landscape Architects and is in the process of executing the Professional Services Agreements for this project. We are excited to get this project underway and we will provide updates to the community as we reach project milestones.

ZUNI PROJECTS RECEIVE STATE FUNDING

Zuni received Capital Outlay funding from the 2022 State Legislative Session for two projects that will be funded through the NM Indian Affairs Department.

The Zuni Multi-Sports Complex project received an additional \$1,825,000 to design and construct the Complex. This funding will ensure that this project keeps its momentum from planning to design to construction.

The Zuni Tribal Administration Building received \$100,000 to start planning for a new Tribal Administration Building. The tribal leadership recognized the need for a new facility that will better provide services to the community and included this project to request State Capital Outlay funding.

The Office of Planning & Development is excited to begin working on the Multi-Sports Complex project and to start the planning process for the new Tribal Administration Building with the new appropriations. Thank you, Governor Grisham!

CONTINENTAL DIVIDE ELECTRIC COOP (CDEC) TRANSMISSION LINE UPGRADES

CDEC is continuing the upgrading of the transmission mainline within our community that started on January 27, 2022. The improvements will provide reliable power service to the community. The project will be completed by May 20, 2022.

Homes within the project area will experience power outages. Power outages will be contained to small areas and residents will be notified in advance of the power outages. For any questions regarding this project, please contact the Office of Planning & Development at 505-782-7284/7282.

REDBOLT BROADBAND PLANNING PROJECT

On February 2, 2022, Continental Divide Electric Cooperative began gathering data to develop construction plans for its Red Bolt Broadband telecommunication services. The project is approximately 30% complete. CDEC has contracted with ACRS, a telecommunications engineering firm, for this project.

As a part of the planning, ACRS field technicians will be going door-to-door to homes throughout the Zuni community to let homeowners know they are in the area and to verify home addresses.

This project phase will take between 90 and 120 days to complete. CDEC anticipates offering Red Bolt service as early as June to residents within the Pueblo and all residents within Black Rock and Zuni by the end of the year. CDEC and the Office of Planning & Development will keep residents updated on progress.

Once the co-op is ready to accept service agreements for broadband internet and VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) phone service, CDEC will inform residents through mailers, in this newspaper, and on advertisements posted in the Pueblo.

For questions regarding this project, please contact the Office of Planning & Development at 505-782-7284/7282.