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NEWS FROM THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF COOS, LOWER UMPQUA & SIUSLAW INDIANS

Coos Dress Transfer Ceremony



CTCLUSI Tribal Citizens stand with the Daughters of the American Revolution on the steps of the historic Tribal Hall following the Coos Dress Transfer Ceremony



Details of the beaded Eagle on the front of the recreated dress shown above. Photos by Morgan Gaines

Contributed by Alycia Cossey, Cultural Stewardship Associate

On August 30, our Tribal community gathered for the Coos Dress Transfer — a moving ceremony that honored our artisans, the work they put into creating the Coos Dress Representation, and our growing relationship with the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR).

The Coos Dress Representation carries not only beauty, but also the spirit of our people. As Elder Brenda Brainard shared, "gifting it is like offering a piece of themselves." Three of the six artisans spoke about the importance of the dress, the artistry of its making, and the teachings they carried forward from the original dress. They also shared the significance of the materials used, such as dentalium and pinenuts, and the traditional techniques they studied from the original Coos dress. Patty Phillips added important history of the original dress, connecting the past to the present.

Members of the Tribal Council expressed amazement at the artistry and thanked the artisans for their work, as well as the Culture Coalition and the Daughters for helping ensure the original dress was returned. Chair Brad Kneaper reflected that this new dress carries its own story and will last for generations and stated to DAR "I want to recognize the fact that you returned the original dress to us. Anything we can get back, we cherish."

"we are here, thriving, while carrying forward the teachings of our ancestors"

Representatives from the Oregon State Society DAR — State Regent Martha Robbins Burrell and State Curator Diane — joined the circle of respect, offered reflections, and presented the artisans with gifts and the National Historic Preservation Recognition Award. As Martha shared, the DAR was "honored to be the caretakers for just a time" and grateful to receive the representation dress with open hearts.

A historic step in our relationship was marked as Tribal Council member Ashley Russell and DAR State Regent Martha Robbins Burrell signed the deed together, officially placing the Coos Dress in safekeeping at Newell House. This act symbolized not only the transfer of the dress but also the continuity of friendship and shared commitment between our Tribe and DAR.

Culture Coalition member Cynthia Hovind lifted up the artisans, shared a prayer for both the Tribe and DAR, and expressed gratitude for the cooperation between our communities. "My heart is full to see the cooperation between the DARs and the Tribe," she said. "I think it's really a sign of hopeful relationships to come."

The Coos Dress Transfer was filled with song, prayer, and community presence. We give thanks to all who came, spoke, and supported this ceremony. May the Coos Dress Representation remain a bridge between past and present for our people and a proud representation of our Tribe to the wider world — showing that we are here, thriving, while carrying forward the teachings of our ancestors.

Full List of Artisans and more photos of the Coos Dress Transfer on page 10

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Save the Date:

Grand Opening of Roots & Visions Exhibit at the Coos Art Museum

October 24, 2025

See Flyer on page 8

Tribal Council Business

Activity of Elected Tribal Council Members from August 10, 2025 - September 14, 2025

Chief Doug Barrett

08/10 Tribal Council Regular Meeting
08/11 DOC / Tribal Advisory Committee
08/13 Lane Act Monthly Meeting
08/14 Culture Committee Meeting
08/16 Grand Ronde Pow Wow
08/19 Praise Day – 25 year anniversary
08/20 Sea Otter Reintroduction
08/21 Tribal Council Workshop – Day 1
08/22 Tribal Council Workshop – Day 2
08/23 Family Fun Day – Dunk Tank
08/26 NAIC Board Meeting
08/29 NAAC Board Meeting – U of O Longhouse
08/30 NAAC Meeting and Game – Autzen Stadium
09/02 Drive to Snohomish for ATNI
09/03 ATNI Energy Sovereignty Summit
09/04 ATNI Energy Sovereignty Summit, Leaders Circle
09/05 ATNI Energy Sovereignty Summit
09/08 DOC / Tribal Advisory Committee, Pre G2G Summit Cultural items Task Force
09/09 Moon Complex Fire meeting, zoom in Agness
09/11 Met with Oregon Tourism Commissioners at Amanda Trail, Elakha (Sea Otter) Alliance Meeting – Newport Aquarium, Culture Committee Meeting – Oregon Tourism Committee Dinner
09/12 – 09/13 Annual Elders Honor Day
09/13 KoKwel Salmon Ceremony – Canoe Races and Exhibits
09/14 KoKwel Salmon Ceremony – Canoe Rides and Exhibits, Tribal Council Regular Meeting

Total Hours: 183

Brad Kneaper, Chairman

08/18 9 Tribes Chair's Meeting (Sisters, OR). Discussions: Oregon Consultation with out of State Tribes; Tribal – State relationship; Future of Legislative Commission on Indian Services (LCIS)
08/ 21 – 08/ 22 Tribal Council Workshop held at 7 Feathers Casino Hotel Canyonville.
08/27 CEO/Staff meet prior to Business Council Meeting, Tribal Council Business Meeting
08/30 Attend and Speak at the Coos Dress Replica Transfer to Daughter's of American Revolution (DAR). The Replica Dress was in return for an original dress returned to the Tribe. The replica dress was made by T ribal Members, and was a beautiful example of the original
09/03 Meet with Mapetsi (Wa DC Lobbyists)
09/04 Leader's Circle: Meet new Oregon Department of State Lands Director; Presentation by the Coos Art Museum to discuss Tribal Exhibits; Department of Corrections Tribal Advisory Committee update
09/09 Strategic Goals and Strategy – CEO, (ZOOM) Meet with Tribal Attorney, Gaming Operation Review Board Chairman, CEO regarding future Three Rivers Casino Budgeting and distributions
09/10 Meet (ZOOM) Three Rivers Casino CEO, Tribal Attorney, Gaming Operation Review Board Chairman, CEO regarding future Three Rivers Casino Budgeting and distributions
09/11 Participate in two (2) Housing Director applicant interviews
09/12 M.C. the opening of the Elder's Honor Day Event at Three Rivers Casino

Total Hours: 184

Teresa Spangler, Vice Chair

08/10 Regular Council meeting
08/18 Benefits Board Meeting
08/19 25th Anniversary of Praise (Staff Recognition Program)
08/21 – 08/22: Council Workshop hosted by 7 Feathers
08/23 Family fun day carnival
08/27 Business Council Meeting
08/30 Coos Dress Representation Transfer Ceremony
09/04 Leaders Circle
09/10 Budget Committee Meeting
09/12-09/13: Elders Honor Day

Total Hours: 83

Debbie Bossley

08/19 PRAISE Lunch
08/20-08/22 Tribal Council Workshop
08/27 Tribal Council Business Meeting
09/04 Leaders Circle
09/12 Elders Honor Day
09/14 Budget Hearing
09/14 Tribal Council Regular Meeting

Total Hours: 65

Julie Siestreem

08/10 Tribal Council/General Council Regular Monthly meeting Community Center Coos Bay
08/11 Governor Tina Kotek Roadmap Off Shore Wind Tribes Only Table Before Integration with Roundtable (Part II of II) Jess Miller facilitator meeting/zoom
08/17 Day of Truth and Remembrance; Western Oregon Termination act of 1954 . Ceremony to honor the resilience of our ancestors, survival of our cultures and, ongoing fight for visibility and justice meeting
08/18 Offshore Wind Tribes only Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) Kirstin Greene facilitator final review before integration with Roundtable Recommendations meeting/zoom
08/20-08/22 Tribal Council Annual Work Session meetings in person Seven Feathers Canyonville Oregon
08/27 Gaming Facilities Operational Review Board (GFORB) meeting T hree Rivers Casino Hotel Florence Oregon in person, Tribal Council / General Council regular monthly Business meeting Three Rivers Casino Hotel Florence Oregon in person
08/30 Coos Dress Representation Transfer Ceremony Daughters of the American Republic Tribal Hall Coos Bay in person
09/04 Tribal Council Leaders Circle Community Center Coos Bay in person
09/09 4j Indian Parent Committee monthly meeting in person Eugene Oregon, Oregon Home Visiting Committee meeting zoom
09/10 Pacific Offshore Wind Consortium (POWC) Kayla Corder facilitator meeting zoom
09/14 Confederated Tribes of Coos Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians 1st Budget Hearing Christa Hernandez facilitator/ in person, Budget Committee Chair Roseana Perry zoom meeting Community Center Coos Bay in person
09/14 Confederated Tribes of Coos Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians Tribal Council /General Council regular monthly meeting Community Center Coos Bay Oregon

Total Hours: 130

Iliana Montiel

08/10 Tribal Council Regular Meeting
08/19 Praise Day – 25th Anniversary of Praise
08/21 TC Workshop
08/22 TC Workshop
08/23 Family Fun Day Carnival
08/27 GFORB / Tribal Council Business Meeting
09/04 Leaders Circle
09/10 Budget Committee Meeting
09/12 Elders Honor Day

Total Hour: 65

Ashley Russell

08/21 Tribal Council Retreat Day 1
08/22 Tribal Council Retreat Day 2
08/26 Reviewed Business Meeting Packet
08/27 Business Meeting
08/30 DAR Reproduction Dress Gifting Ceremony
09/03 Reviewed 8/7 Leader's Circle Packet and Special Meeting Packet
09/04 Leader's Circle Meeting
09/13 Reviewed Tribal Council Packet, Skippered for Women's Canoe Race at Mill-Luck Day's Salmon Celebration
09/14 Budget Hearing and Council meeting, drafted and submitted Council Business Report

Total Hours: 64

Upcoming Regular & General Tribal Council Meeting

Sunday, October 12, 2025

Three Rivers Casino Resort, Florence, OR

Regular Meetings Start at 10:00 a.m. pst
General Council Meeting Starts at 1:00 p.m. pst

Information

QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS?
The CLUSI Tribal Council welcomes your ideas, comments, criticisms, etc.
Please write to: Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians
ATTN: Tribal Council 1245 Fulton Ave.
Coos Bay, Oregon 97420

COMMITTEE INTEREST LIST
If you are a Tribal member and interested in being on a committee, please contact Lorin Krossman at 541-435-7178 or enrollment@ctclusi.org
We are currently keeping a list of those interested so that when a committee vacancy occurs we can fill it as soon as possible, so please contact us whether there is a vacancy or not.

ATTENTION VETERANS AND FAMILIES
Veterans we need your help. Veterans are honored at the Salmon Ceremony each year. Please contact Lorin Krossman at 541-435-7178 or at email lkrossman@ctclusi.org for new requirements needed to be honored.

US FOREST SERVICE NORTHWEST FOREST PASSES
Now available at the Tribal Administration Building, Florence and Eugene Outreach offices.
Requirements are: 1. Must be a CTCLUSI Tribal member. 2. Must be over 16 years old. 3. You may only be issued one per year. The passes hang from the rear view mirror and are good for access to some Forest Service fee areas. Area maps available.

CHANGES?
Please let us know if you have a change in address, phone number, name or addition to your family. Changes should be submitted to Enrollment Dept., either online at www.ctclusi.org/enrollment or mail to Enrollment Dept., 1245 Fulton Ave., Coos Bay, OR 97420. Phone: 541-435-7178 or Fax: 541-888-2853.

TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES
The full meeting video is available at www.ctclusi.org If you are an enrolled member of CTCLUSI and would like to receive typed copies of the Tribal Council Meeting minutes please submit a written request to Jeannie Miller at 1245 Fulton Ave. Coos Bay OR 97420 or lkrossman@ctclusi.org Please include the meeting date requested, your name, current address, and Tribal Roll number for verification.

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2. Allen "Butch" Thorn
3. Margaret Corvi
4. Stephanie Watkins
5. Kerry Brainard
6. Sarah Marcial
7. Roseana Perry - Chair

Culture Committee
1. Earla Kirk
2. VACANT
3. Alyssa Lydick
4. Nicole Romine
5. Michael Brainard
6. Patricia Whereat-Phillips - Chair
7. VACANT

Education Committee
1. Lorin Krossman - Chair
2. Julie Siestreem
3. Nicole Romine
4. Ashley Russell
5. Michael Brainard

Elders Committee
1. Arleen Perkins - Chair
2. Laura Fortin
3. Warren T. Brainard
4. Eddie Helms
5. Mike Lent
6. Stan McNutt
7. Teresa Spangler

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1. Courtney Krossman
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1. Nicole Mendoza
2. Tammy Evarts
3. Ashley Vandevort
4. Jade Fong - Chair
5. Jamie Biesanz
6. Jesse Beers
7. Ayuthea Cisneros

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2. Michael Brainard - Chair
3. Tes Gagner
4. Mark Petrie
5. Kathy Perkins
6. Kimmy Bixby
7. Ashley Russell

Are you a Tribal member who would like to learn more about a Tribal Committee, or are interested in being on a committee? Reach out to a Committee Chair person or a Tribal Government Staff member.

Committee Chairs are noted at left with current sitting members of the committee at the time of publication of this paper.

For questions, please contact Lorin Krossman, at 541-435-7178 or enrollment@ctclusi.org

The Tribe maintains a list of those interested so that when a committee vacancy occurs we can fill it as soon as possible, so please contact us whether there is a vacancy or not. Letters of interest remain on file for one full year. Members can serve on up to three committees simultaneously.

THE VOICE OF CLUSI

If you or anyone in your Tribal family has had any recent special awards or achievements that you would like to share, please submit your information and photos to the newsletter. I look forward to hearing from you!
-Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist
mgaines@ctclusi.org or 541-888-7536

Upcoming Events

Turn to page 19 of this publication for a monthly calendar of upcoming events or visit the Events Calendar on the tribal website at https://ctclusi.org/events/

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Council Meeting

October 12, 2025
Regular Meeting 10:00 a.m.
General Meeting 1:00 p.m.
Three Rivers Casino Resort
Event Room back of Cafeteria

Please login to the citizen portal of www.ctclusi.org and click Council Meetings for the zoom link to this meeting.

Agenda:
1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Approval of Minutes as needed
4. Tribal Council Reports
5. Tribal Chief Executive Officer Report
6. Chief Financial Officer Report
7. Old Business
8. New Business
9. Other
10. Good of the Tribes
11. Executive Session as needed

Council meeting video available to view at www.ctclusi.org

41ST RESTORATION CELEBRATION

CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF COOS · LOWER UMPQUA · SIUSLAW

THREE RIVERS CASINO RESORT

5647 Highway 126, Florence, Oregon, 97439
Doors Open at 10:30 a.m., Event Begins at 11:00 a.m.

RSVP
1-541-435-7155

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11TH

Celebrating 20 Years of the Peacegiving Court
Justice is Healing, Honoring the Past, Celebrating Today and Building for Tomorrow

Hidden Image Search: Can You Find Me?

In this edition of The Voice of CLUSI there is a hidden image of a **PUMPKIN exactly like the one pictured here**.
It could be any size and on any page, but will look exactly like the one shown here.
If you find it, email mgaines@ctclusi.org to have your name entered into a prize drawing. **In your email you must include your name, age, address (for mailing purposes) and contact phone number.**
In your email you must also let us know what page and where on the page you spotted the PUMPKIN hiding!
Must email by October 15th to be included in the raffle drawing.
Winners will be notified by phone or email and their name will appear in an upcoming edition of the Voice of CLUSI paper. Prizes will vary and are provided by different CTCLUSI Government departments.



September Hidden Salal Winners

Adult Winner: Rachel Schaefer-Glenn

The salal image was hidden on page 11 of the September 2025 issue, in the photos of Salmon Ceremony. The salal was hidden in the left hand photo, second up from the bottom, above the youth wearing a long sleeve orange shirt/dress.



We are looking at overhauling our website ctclusi.org and would love your feedback on how we can improve the website user experience, and any changes or features you would like to see.

Any recommendations or requests that you would like to share,please email

news@ctclusi.org

or call

541-435-7175

PUBLIC NOTICE

TRIBAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET APPROVAL PROCESS

The Budget Committee is currently engaged in the review of the Tribal Government First Draft Budgets for Fiscal Year 2026. Budget Summaries are available for review and comment by the General Membership and may be accessed through the Tribal Member portal on the CTCLUSI website or by selecting the "Public Notices – 28 Day Comment Period" tab on main page at www.ctclusi.org.

All Tribal Government programs have submitted their first draft budgets, which are now under comprehensive review by the Budget Committee. This process ensures careful evaluation and alignment with the Tribe's financial priorities and strategic goals.

The 28-day comment period for CTCLUSI Tribal Members is from September 10th through October 8th, 2025.

Any comments please submit at https://laserfiche.ctclusi.org/Forms/FY26-Budget-Comments or by accessing the QR code.

An auto-dialer phone call and text message are scheduled to go out on 9/10/25 and 10/3/25. If you do not receive a text or a phone call, please reach out to Enrollment at (541)888-9577.

Members are encouraged to watch the Tribe's website for information regarding the next Budget Hearing. Once the date and time have been established, the hearing will be posted on the Tribal website and in all Tribal Government office locations. This hearing will provide an opportunity for the General Membership to participate and share comments.

The next steps in the budget process are the Tribal Government programs will have the opportunity to modify draft budgets. Final drafts will go to Tribal Council for approval. This is set for Tribal Council Meeting on 12/14/25, per budget code 7-10-8(b).-

- Finance Team

Workbook provided!



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SEPTEMBER 23RD -OCTOBER 28TH

Tuesday Evenings 6:00-7:30 PM on Zoom

In-person Classes Available at the Siletz Eugene Area Office!

2468 W 11th
Eugene, OR 97402

Child-care and dinner provided at 5:30 PM

CONTACT TO RSVP

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541-297-3450

OR

Nichole Benner CLUSI Social Services (Coos Bay)
541-294-9948

FY26 Budget Process Timeline

The following is a tentative schedule for the FY26 Budget Process. This schedule will provide programs and departments with a timeframe of how the budget process will operate. Except for dates in red, this schedule is not firm and is subject to change by the Tribal Council, CEO or Budget Committee.

October 7th, 2025
Comment period closes. See 7-10-4(c).

October 11th, 2025
Budget Committee will provide comments on draft budget to Tribal Council/CFO. See 7-10-4(d).

October 13th – October 16th, 2025
CEO/COO budget review period to address comments submitted.

October 20th – October 24th, 2025
Schedule program budget presentations.

October 27th – October 29th, 2025
CEO/COO revised budget review.

November 3rd, 2025
2nd Budget Hearing Notice published and revised budget posting to CTCLUSI website and outreach locations. See 7-10-6(b).

November 17th – November 21st, 2025
2nd Budget Hearing (time and date to be established by Tribal Council) see 7-10-6(a).

Nov 24th – Dec 5th , 2025
Final reviews by CEO/COO and Budget Committee.

December 14th, 2025
Tribal Council to review and approve final budget at Regular Meeting or Business Meeting. See 7-10-8(b).

The Budget Committee may schedule non-public meetings and/or work sessions as needed.

Dress For Success



$250 to qualifying youth, for clothing to support their continued acedemic success.

Each youth must be a K-12 age student and an enrolled CTCLUSI tribal member.

For more Details and to Sign up visit:
ctclusi.org/education



Sign up starting September 29th



Deadline: October 31st

Questions?
Please contact:
education@ctclusi.org 541-888-1301

Higher Education Office Hours

CTCLUSI EDUCATION

Are you a Parent or Student with questions?
Come and speak with CTCLUSI's Director of Education

Mondays at **4pm-5pm** at the **Tribal Hall** or on **Zoom**
Zoom Meeting ID: 849 9898 5003
education@ctclusi.org

Zoom QR link



Invitation for Vendors or Artisans to Submit Products or Services

Dear Vendor or Artisan,

The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians (CTCLUSI) is seeking qualified vendors to provide products or services in support of our CTCLUSI projects or programs. The purpose of this invitation is to create a preferred vendor list. We invite you to submit proposals detailing how your products or services meet our various program requirements.

Scope of Work:

Please provide a detailed description of the products or services you provide, include any specific features, requirements, or technical specifications.

Submission Requirements:

Interested vendors must submit the following:

1. A detailed proposal of products or services including pricing, timelines, and deliverables.

2. A company or individual profile with relevant experience and references.

3. Any credentials, warranties, or compliance documentation, if applicable.

4. Terms and conditions for the proposed product or service.

Deadline for Submission:

Proposals are accepted throughout the year for qualified vendor's products or services. Vendor or Artisan must have submitted proposals prior to the selection of the product or service posted, to be considered. The proposal will be considered for all requests after it's submission.

Evaluation Criteria:

Proposals will be evaluated based on:

- Quality and compliance with our requirements.
- Cost-effectiveness.
- Vendor qualifications and experience.
- Delivery timelines.

Submission Instructions:

Please submit your proposals via mail or email to:

Norbert A. Johnson, MBA, MHEd, RRT
Procurement Manager
1245 Fulton Ave
Coos Bay, Or 97420
njohnson@ctclusi.org

CTCLUSI's First Placename Ceremony at haich ikt'at'uu: Restoring Lands and Restoring Language

Contributed by Dan Kirk, Restoration Projects Manager

haich ikt'at'uu means "Heart of the Big One" - "Big One" referring to the main stem of the Siuslaw River. On July 26, 2025 the Tribe's first Naming Ceremony took place at haich ikt'at'uu, bringing together Tribal Citizens and community partners to celebrate and honor our traditional languages, traditional homelands.

...and we all repeated after Chief when he shouted "haich ikt'at'uu!" three times, and the land was officially renamed.

haich ikt'at'uu is a 217 acre site just east of Cushman on the main stem of the Siuslaw River. It was formerly named Waite Ranch, after the Waite family who owned and ran a dairy farm there. They were the second to last owner before McKenzie River Trust purchased the land in 2010.

Since the time McKenzie River Trust (MRT) purchased the land, the Tribe, MRT, Siuslaw Watershed Council and other entities have worked hard to reach a goal of returning tidal wetland natural processes to the site. That is 15 years of dedication. As of now, haich ikt'at'uu is still bordered by a levee that routes water around it, with a small 100+ year old culvert tide gate that helps drain rainwater from the site. By this time next year, haich ikt'at'uu's levee will be breached and tidal wetland natural processes will return to the land, and, over time, healthy tidal marsh, riparian forest and crabapple swamp areas will establish. Lamprey, salmon and other anadromous species will have a whole new set of complex channel networks to explore; if the salmon and lamprey are happy, the Salmon People are happy too.

"learning and using our languages helps restore some of our own natural processes"



Within these 15 years, the Tribe has seen traditional languages return to families in new ways due to a rise in capacity and programs specific to language revitalization – in a way, learning and using our languages helps restore some of our own natural processes. I don't mean that simply speaking a language is a natural process, I mean that learning and practicing our traditional languages helps us reconnect to the ways of seeing and thinking of our ancestors.

CTCLUSI Canoe Family Takes the Lead in Local Canoe Races

Contributed by Alycia Cossey, Cultural Stewardship Associate

On Saturday, September 13th, Our Tribe joined our relatives at the Coquille Indian Tribe's 20th Annual Salmon Celebration. It was a beautiful day of connection, culture, and community — both on the water and on the land.

Our CTCLUSI canoe crews represented our people with strength and pride in the races:

- **Dugout Race** – 1st and 2nd Place
- **Youth Race** – 2nd Place
- **Women's Race** – 1st Place
- **Men's Race** – 1st Place
- **Elder's Race** – 1st Place
- **Mixed Pull Race** – 2nd Place

Way to represent our Tribe out on our waters!

Meanwhile, on shore, our Department of Culture & Natural Resources hosted a hands-on activity where community members and visitors learned how to work with tule and make headbands. It was wonderful to see so many people engaging in our traditions and sharing in cultural knowledge.

Most of all, this gathering was a reminder of the strength of our relationships with other Tribal Nations. It was truly a gift to celebrate together, honoring salmon, water, and the cultural lifeways that connect us all.

K'ele, luuwii, hiisa











COME JOIN US

in celebrating the

GRAND OPENING OF ROOTS AND VISIONS:

CELEBRATING TRIBAL ART

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH, 2025
5:00 - 7:00 PM

Exhibit will run to January,25th 2026

All CTCLUSI Tribal households and all ages are welcome to this free community celebration.

Food and refreshments will be provided, with catering from Ko-Kwel Casino Resort, Coos Bay, OR.

Coos Art Museum:
235 Anderson Ave, Coos Bay

Questions Contact: Alycia Cossey 541-404-1870

Join a Tribal Committee

Chapter 7-5 GENERAL COMMITTEE CODE 7-5-1; General Policy; Committees are established to assist the Tribal Council in carrying out its responsibilities, to provide quality services to the Tribal membership and to develop, maintain and protect the assets and interests of the Tribes.

Tribal Committee appointments are made by Tribal Council and are for a four (4) year term. Tribal Code allows for you to be on no more than three (3) committees at a time and you may only server two (2) terms, unless special consideration is necessary. You must compete a Letter of Interest Form to be considered by the Tribal Council. Below is a list of Committees you may be interested in becoming a member of:

Culture Committee	Election Board
Education Committee	Budget Committee
Elders Committee	HousingCommittee
EnrollmentCommittee	Language Committee

Letters of Interest are only kept on file for one year.

Letters of Interest forms can be found on the Tribes' website: www.ctclusi.org or requested through any Tribal Government Office located in Coos Bay, Florence and Springfield. Questions? If you would like to know any further details, please contact:

Lorin Krossman
1245 Fulton Ave. Coos Bay, Oregon 97420
By email, lkrossman@ctclusi.org
541-888-9577

Pumpkin Patch & Prevention



Tribal Families Welcome
Lunch Provided



Coos Bay
Saturday, October 4th, 2025
11:00AM
Tribal Community Center
338 Wallace Ave, Coos Bay, OR 97420

R.S.V.P: 1-541-435-7155

Eugene
Sunday, October 5th, 2025
12:00PM
Putters Family Entertainment Center
1156 Highway 99 N, Eugene, OR, 97402

Drug, Alcohol and Commercial Tobacco Free Event

HAUNTED HALL-OWEEN

Tribal & Employee Families Welcome

Dinner Provided and family activities

October 25th, 2025
5:00pm- 8:30pm
Tribal Hall Property
338 Wallace Ave, Coos Bay, OR, 97420

Themed Games and Crafts
Pumpkin Carving
Fear Factor Boxes
"Bad" Candy Check Activity
Zombie (Cake) Walk and more...

R.S.V.P
1-541-435-7155

*Drug, Alcohol and Commercial Tobacco Free Event

Tribal Member Launches New Counseling Practice



Hello, my name is Rachel Schaefer Glenn, and I'm excited to share that I have started my own practice, Sit With Me, LLC. It has been my dream to create a space where I can walk alongside people in their healing, and I'm honored to see that dream come to life. I'm currently welcoming clients via telehealth who may be struggling with anxiety, depression, coping skills, and PTSD.

I'm passionate about serving Native communities and bring experience working in tribal settings, including my internship working at the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium and with CLUSI at camps. My practice is grounded in a trauma-informed approach, and I have specialized training in EMDR therapy to support healing from trauma.

Launching this business has been both meaningful and a learning process. I've navigated setting up a HIPAA-compliant email, phone number, External Health Records, and a website. I know this can feel overwhelming, so if anyone in our community is interested in starting their own business or private practice, I'm happy to share what I've learned and offer support.

You can learn more or connect with me through my website: www.sitwithmetherapy.com

I look forward to walking alongside those in our community who are seeking healing and growth.

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE!

Want to change your career but need additional education? The Oregon Tribal Student Grant can help support that goal in unexpected ways.

Award amounts vary so contact the Education Department. We will help you coordinate to meet your needs. **Career Professionals and Elders are especially encouraged!**



Morgan Cloud
mcloud@ctclusi.org

PLEASE PROVIDE THE ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT WITH ALL CURRENT CONTACT INFORMTION

General Membership;

In our continued efforts to provide all the General Membership with important news we need to ensure that we have your correct contact information. The Enrollment Department is the central location that all Departments within the Tribal Government obtain contact information to send you important updates and news.

We work closely with our Communications Department to provide this vital information by:

- ► Valid Address (both mailing and physical)
- ► Phone (both cell phone and land line)
- ► Email

The Tribe sends important information about current news, services, benefits, elections or events and activities by USPS in the form of letters, flyers, or postcards to you. It is very important that we also have your current physical address, if different than mailing or if you have a P.O. Box, so packages may be shipped and received.

Another form of communication we provide is by phone. This is either by cell phone and/or land line if you have them. We send important messages via text message and voice calls to announce important events or activities or general information for opportunities for the membership to access various services or benefits.

So you don't miss any upcoming or future important information please reach out to ensure all these areas of communication are current with the Enrollment Department.

Please update your information through the Tribal website at www.ctclusi.org under the Government tab, then Tribal Enrollment tab and complete the "Tribal Member Change of Contact Information" form. You may contact the Enrollment Department at enrollment@ctclusi.org or call Lorin Krossman at 541-435-7178.



Coos Dress Transfer Ceremony *continued from cover page...*



Gloved hands carefully lay out the delicate pieces of the Coos Dress



Tribal Council member Ashley Russell and DAR State Regent Martha Robbins Burrell signed the deed

Hands Up in Thanks to All the Tribal Artisans Who Worked on the Dress

Brenda Brainard

Roseana Perry

Crystal Bishop

Jessica Olson

Enna Helms

Ayuthea LaPier - Kipp



DAR State Curator Diane presents gifts to the artisans who worked on the beautiful recreation of Lottie's dress. Pictured above with Roseanna Perry and Brenda Brainard.

Above left: CTCLUSI Cultural Steward Alycia Cossey also gifts the artisans with a beautiful framed photo of the dress.





DAR representatives hold the curation box that will safely transport the dress to its new home.

Pictured below: Patty Whereat Phillips shares Tribal History



Enna Helms, Brenda Brainard and Roseanna Perry gently lift the dress so the beadwork on the back could be viewed by all



Resolution Summaries

RESOLUTION NO.:25-098
Date of Passage: May 28, 2025
Subject (title): Approval of Right of Way Agreement
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this agreement to strengthen infrastructure and maintain fiber optics on Coos Head Road. **Vote 7-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:25-099
Date of Passage: May 28, 2025
Subject (title): Pacific Office Agreement
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the agreement for office equipment. **Vote 7-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:25-100
ate of Passage: May 28, 2025
Subject (title): Tribal Wildlife Grant
Explanation: Tribal Council approves and supports this grant to provide camera stations on the forest tracts to gather baseline wildlife populations. **Vote 6-1-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:25-101
Date of Passage: May 28, 2025
Subject (title): Hotel Renovations
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the renovations of Three Rivers Casino Hotel and the expenses for upgrades and purchase of new furniture. **Vote 6-0-1.**

RESOLUTION NO.:25-102
Date of Passage: May 28, 2025
Subject (title): Gaming Machine Order
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this order for Three Rivers Casino Florence.
Vote 6-0-1

RESOLUTION NO.:25-103
Date of Passage: May 28, 2025
Subject (title): Gaming Machine Order and Financing and Security Agreement
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this agreement for Three Rivers Casino Florence and Coos Bay . **Vote 6-0-1**

RESOLUTION NO.:25-104
Date of Passage: June 8, 2025
Subject (title): Intertribal Timber Council Delegate and Alternate 2025
Explanation: Tribal Council appoints Tyler Slyter as delegate and Chief Doug Barrett and/or Ryan Bronson as Alternate. **6-0-1**

RESOLUTION NO.:25-105
Date of Passage: June 8, 2025
Subject (title): haich ikt' at' uu (formerly named Waite Ranch) Amendment 2 to Professional Services Agreement
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the amendment for funding for this project.
Vote 6-0-1

RESOLUTION NO.:25-106
Date of Passage: June 8, 2025
Subject (title): Contract for Final Phase of Construction at haich ikt' at' uu (formerly named Waite Ranch)
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the action and fully supports this project.
Vote 6-0-1

RESOLUTION NO.:25-107
Date of Passage: June 8 2025
Subject (title): Approval of Expenditures from the ODE Tribal Early Literacy and the ODE Grow Your Own grans for back to school clothes for CTCLUSI Families and youth K-12
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the expenditures for the purpose defined for the Tribal you and families. Vote **6-0-1**

RESOLUTION NO.:25-108
Date of Passage: June 8, 2025
Subject (title): All Care CCO, Inc Provider Agreement
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this agreement for services. **Vote 6-0-1**

RESOLUTION NO.:25-109
Date of Passage: June 8, 2025
Subject (title): Digi Smart Sense LLC
Explanation: Tribal Council approves purchase for equipment for Three Rivers Pharmacy. **Vote 6-0-1**

RESOLUTION NO.:25-110
Date of Passage: June 8, 2025
Subject (title): Approval to Fund Collaborative Community Project with Coos Bay North Bend Water Board – Radar Hill Pump Station Generator Replacement
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this request for funding for this project.
Vote 7-0-0

In this public paper, some Resolution titles and explanation will not be displayed or minimal details due to confidentiality.

Oregon Tourism Commission Visit to the Amanda Trail

Contributed by Joanne Kittel, View the Future Co-Chair

Oregon Tourism Commissioners and staff visited the Amanda Trail and Gathering Area on September 11th. Greeting them were Doug Barrett, Chief Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians and Joanne Kittel, co-chair, View the Future. After smudging with the Amanda statue at his side, Chief Barrett gave a presentation on the prison camp years, the Amanda story, and the long reconciliation process with the Yachats Community. He thanked View the Future, the present community of Yachats, and Joanne. After answering questions, Joanne and VtF board member, Jesse Dolan, and VtF volunteer Shannon Louks, led a tour of the Amanda Trail, pointing out features, walking with the group back to the Yachats following the Oregon Coast Trail. The proposed walkway project was also featured as they walked by. The next morning, Commission and staff members apprised how deeply affected they were thanking Chief Barrett and View the Future.



Spotlight on Social Services: LIHEAP

What is LIHEAP?
• LIHEAP (Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program) is a Federally-funded program that helps low-income households with their home energy bills. This can be electric and/or natural gas, wood or pellets.
• LIHEAP can help you stay warm in the winter. By doing so, you can reduce the risk of health and safety problems (such as illness, fire, or eviction.)

What Assistance does LIHEAP provide?
• Heating Assistance (Applicants must have a tribal member in the household and be income eligible.)
• Crisis Assistance (Shut off or Final Notice)

Requirements:
► **Enrolled CTCLUSI Tribal Member**
The applicant, or a child residing in the household, must be an enrolled CTCLUSI tribal member.
► **Residence Location**
The residence must be located within the State of Oregon.
► **Income Eligible**
The applicant/family must meet the annual income guidelines as determined at the time of intake.

LIHEAP Income Matrix by Household Size for 2026***

Household Size	Annual Income
1	Not to exceed - $33,427.00

Program Key Points
• LIHEAP is divided into two categories: 1) Heating and 2) Crisis. The maximum award
is $850 for heating and $500 for crisis per household.
• **Priority** is given to elders (60+), disabled, and families with young children with the
state of Oregon.
• LIHEAP is available once per grant year, starts 10/1 and ends 9/30 of each year. You can apply at any time and will be assisted if funds are still available anytime throughout the year.
• Not all households will qualify for the maximum LIHEAP amount. LIHEAP awards
will depend on family size, income and need, as well as grant funding availability.
• **The LIHEAP Program is NOT Crisis Based.** Any CTCLUSI Tribal household that meets the income eligibility is eligible to apply for assistance!
• **LIHEAP Program Open Year-Round.** You can apply anytime throughout the year to receive assistance with your heating/ electric bill. A new application is required for each request to cover the current bill due.
• **LIHEAP Covers More than just Electric.** Multiple heat sources types can be covered by the LIHEAP Program. Electric, Natural Gas, Wood or Pellets if your stove is the primary source of heating for your household.
• When returning an application, please be sure to have all necessary documentation
beforehand, or be able to have the required documents before appointment time.

Required documentation includes, but is not limited to:
• Social Security Cards for ALL household members **(no exception)**
• Tribal ID
• Most recent billing statement
• Current income documents-for each adult household member (e.g. Social
Security award letter, Unemployment print out, paystubs etc.)
• If you need documentation from other departments, please be sure to make those
requests from those departments prior to your appointment.

Applications are available via CTCLUSI website, email or US Postal upon request. If you need assistance, you can call us or come to the office and we will assist you.

You can email, mail, drop off, or fax a completed application to:

CTCLUSI Social Services
ATTN: LIHEAP@ CTCLUSI / Social Services
1245 Fulton Ave.
Coos Bay, OR 97420

Email: kbradley@ctclusi.org
Fax: 541- 888-1837

OR copy the link below into your web browser url to complete the on-line application.
https://laserfiche.ctclusi .org/Forms/LI HEAP

If you have any additional questions, please don't hesitate to call the Social Services
Department by phone at 541-888-9577.

***Contact CTCLUSI Social Services for Household Income Eligibility**

Community Needs Assessment:
LIHEAP Support for Tribal Families

Purpose:
We are seeking your input to help improve how LIHEAP serves our tribal community. Your responses will guide efforts to ensure the program meets the unique needs of our families.

1. Household Information (Optional)
Tribal Affiliation _____
Zip Code: _____
Number of people in your household:_____
Do you currently receive LIHEAP assistance?[ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] I'm not sure

2. Energy Needs
What is your primary source of heating?
[ ] Electricity [ ] Propane [ ] Wood [ ] Natural Gas
[ ] Other:_____

What is your biggest challenge in keeping your home heated or cooled?
[ ] High energy bills
[ ] Old or inefficient heating/cooling systems
[ ] Lack of insulation or weatherization
[ ] Limited access to fuel or electricity
[ ]Other:_____

3. Program Awareness & Access
How did you hear about LIHEAP?
[ ] Tribal office [ ] Social media [ ] Word of mouth
[ ] Other:_____

Have you ever had difficulty applying for LIHEAP?[ ] Yes [ ] No
If yes, what were the challenges?_____

4. Program Improvements
What services would you like to see added or improved in LIHEAP for tribal families? (Check all that apply)
[ ] Faster application processing
[ ] More outreach and education
[ ] Help with weatherization/home repairs
[ ] Emergency energy assistance
[ ] Support for off-grid or traditional heating methods
[ ]Other:_____
What is the best way to communicate with you about LIHEAP updates?
[ ] Phone [ ] Email [ ] Text message [ ] Tribal newsletter
[ ] Community meetings [ ]Other:_____

5. Additional Comments
Please share any other thoughts or suggestions you have about how LIHEAP can better support your family and community:
_____
_____
_____

Please Cut out and Fill out LIHEAP Community Needs Assessment and mail to: CTCLUSI Social Services, 1245 Fulton Ave., Coos Bay, OR 97420

Elders Corner



Stay Healthy This Flu Season!

THREE RIVERS HEALTH CENTER

Flu shots are available at Three Rivers Pharmacy!

- No appointment is necessary but please allow at least 30 minutes for the pharmacy to process.
- We have a high-dose version for age 65 and older and a regular dose for ages 7- 64.

Pharmacy Hours for Vaccines:

Monday - Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Closed for lunch from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Contact Us:

150 S Wall Street, Coos Bay, OR.
www.threerivers.health
(541) 435-7239

Eugene Elders Luncheon

Thursday, October 9, 2025

11:30am—1:30pm

Sizzler
1010 Postal Way, Springfield, OR 97477

Please RSVP to Kimmy Bixby at 541-744-1334 and she will take your menu order.

Limited transportation will be provided from the Florence and Coos Bay offices.

Welcome New Elders

Jarrod Smith
Paul Gardner
Roseana Perry
Julie Bauge

NOTICE OF CODE AMENDMENT

The following proposed Code was passed for First Reading by Tribal Council on:
September 14, 2025

TITLE: 7 Enrollment, Committees, Elections and Referendums
Chapter 7-15 Cultural Coalition Committee

The Tribal Council has approved the establishment of Chapter 7-15 Cultural Coalition Committee Code for First Reading; and

CLUSITC Chapter 7-15 Cultural Coalition Committee Code shall be established to create and update a Five-Year Plan to identify cultural priorities and educational opportunities that include projects, activities and events for the General Membership and surrounding Communities.

This Committee Code will allow from terms, and positions to its members and a clearly defined process for future appointments.

Tribal Council hereby approves the amendment of Chapter 7-15 Cultural Coalition Committee Code and hereby approves for first reading draft be posting for a twenty-eight (28) day comment period. Draft language as set out in the attached Exhibit A (deleted text is red and stricken and new text is blue and underlined).

DATE OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING AT WHICH THE PROPOSED CODE IS EXPECTED TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

November 9, 2025

The notice of the proposed amendment/ creation of Code/Ordinance shall be published in the Tribal Newsletter and the text will be posted for public comment for twenty-eight (28) days in the Administration Building, Tribal Hall, Outreach Offices, on the Tribes' website and at Three Rivers Casino (Office of the Gaming Commission). Written comments should be sent to the Tribal Council in care of Jeannie Miller or Lorin Krossman, CTCLUSI, 1245 Fulton Avenue, Coos Bay OR 97420 or email: jmiller@ctclusi.org or lkrossman@ctclusi.org.



Call for Language Nest Helpers

Who Should Apply

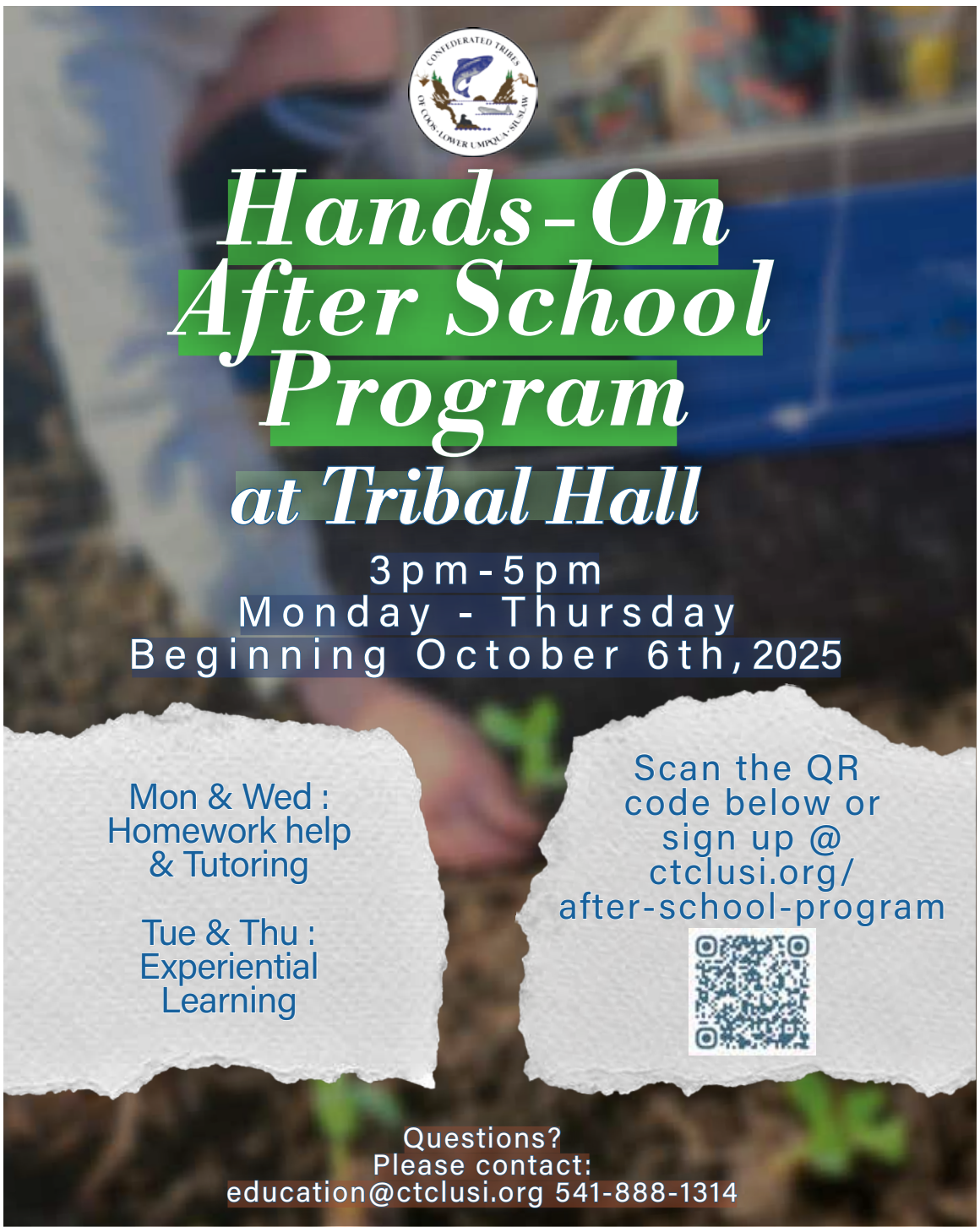
- Tribal youth ages 14–24.
- Passionate about Indigenous language and culture.
- Eager to work with young children.
- Have attended language classes, camps, or events before.
- Willing to grow language skills in miluk, hanis, or sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich.
- Preference given to CTCLUSI, Coquille, Siletz, and Grand Ronde members.

What You'll Do

- Help facilitate and model language use with children (primarily ages 0–5) in your Tribal language.
- Support Language Nest Program, language workshops, and cultural events.
- Learn how to make fun language learning materials (books, games, etc.).
- Work with Tribal language speakers and teachers.
- Join weekly language classes and pursue your Seal of Biliteracy
- Attend the NILI Summer Institute (June)
- Attend Culture Camp (July)

Interested? Contact Ana Abarca
aabarca@ctclusi.org
(541) 888-7508





~ Wedding Announcement ~



On August 9, 2025, Jeremy Petrie and Amy David were married in a heartfelt ceremony at Rasar State Park in Concrete, Washington.

Jeremy and Amy's love story began decades ago in Millington, where they first met as childhood friends at the age of 10. At 12, they shared their very first kiss—an innocent beginning to a connection that would stand the test of time. Life took them down different paths, but after 37 years apart, fate brought them back together, and it felt as though no time had passed at all.

Today, Jeremy and Amy are not only best friends, but also husband and wife, excited to spend the rest of their lives together.

Congratulations!





THE VOICE OF CLUSI MONTHLY TRIBAL PAPER

If you or anyone in your family has had any recent special awards or achievements that you would like to share, please submit your information and photos to the newsletter.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Visit www.ctclusi.org/events to view the online event calendar

Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist
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Cell: (541) 808-7918
Email: mgaines@ctclusi.org





Need A Ride?

If you are in the five county service area and need public transportation assistance, please call Kathy Perkins at 541-888-9577 ext. 7550 or email kperkins@ctclusi.org

If you are in Coos County, CCAT services are FREE for all CTCLUSI Tribal Members. This includes all of the public services, other than their demand response/ Dial-a-Ride.

Show your Tribal ID to the driver

Renting? Here Are Some Things to Keep in Mind When Doing So

Contributed by Leslie Thompson & Jennifer Emmerson, CTCLUSI Housing Department

Whether it's the first renting, moving to a new rental, or haven't rented in forever and-a-day, making sure to understand the terms and conditions of your tenancy is of the utmost importance.

Knowing your budget and what you can afford should be figured out before even looking for a place to rent. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) recommends spending no more that 30% of your gross income on rent. With today's market, that is unrealistic for a lot of people - what we recommend is looking at your total take home pay per month, and spending no more than half of that on rent.

When looking at possible rentals, make sure to lay eyes on the unit. It can be in person, via proxy, or via zoom – a lot of property management companies are willing to work with prospective tenants and some even require viewing the unit before applying for it.

How close is the unit to the places you frequent the most such as your work, schools, and shopping? What is the neighborhood like? Don't hesitate to visit the neighborhood on the weekend or if possible at night to see what it is like during different hours/days of the week.

Don't forget about parking! While smaller rural towns may have plenty of parking, with larger cities you may be limited. Some places have assigned parking spots, some you may have to pay, while others may be first-come, first-serve.

What is included with the rent regarding utilities? There are some rentals that come with water/sewer/garbage paid, but you have to pay for electricity or internet, while other places you may have to pay all or none the utilities. The cost of utilities that **you** are responsible for, increases the cost to rent that unit.

Read, understand, and keep a copy of your rental agreement/lease. Make sure you know the policies for how to make your rent payments, maintenance requests, late fees, and the policies regarding guests, pets, smoking, and moving out. Understanding the expectations of you, the tenant, will help ensure you are following the rental agreement you are signing, and prevent complications down the road.

Make sure to take photos when you move-in, and if the landlord/ property management company provides a move-in inspection/ checklist, fill it out and submit it. This is a great opportunity to go through your new home and make note of every dent, hole, missing screen, or broken closet door. By completing this form and submitting it, along with taking photos, you are protecting yourself from possible wrongful charges when you move out.

When paying rent, always ensure you receive a copy of your rent payment, especially if paying in cash. If your landlord/ property manager uses an online tracking system, they should be easily able to print you a copy of your tenant ledger and/or rent receipt – some can even have them emailed to you!

Last but not least, don't hesitate to keep in communication with your landlord/property manager. This includes matters regarding maintenance issues, payments, issues with neighbors, or even family and friends staying more than a couple days. Keeping the lines of communication open is great for ensuring both parties are up to date on the health and safety of not only the unit, but you - the occupant!



CTCLUSI RENTAL ASST.

This program assists low income Tribal Families maintain a rental home such as an apartment, house, duplex, or other approved rental unit by paying a portion of the rent directly to a private landlord and/or property management company. This program is only available in the State of Oregon.

Student rental assistance is also available to full time college students who are enrolled with CTCLUSI's Education Department and who meet the program criteria. Student Rental Assistance is available throughout the United States.

Waitlists are utilized if funding is unavailable at time of application.

FULL-TIME COLLEGE STUDENTS *INQUIRE NOW!*

FIRST COME - FIRST SERVE

STATEWIDE TENANT BASED ASSISTANCE

CTCLUSI HOUSING DEPT.
1320 Neese St.
Coos Bay, OR 97420
(541)-888-1310

Monday-Friday

8am-5pm

PEACEGIVING

Peacegiving is a traditional Restorative Justice option available to you for the resolution of conflict.

All Peacegiving issues are confidential.



Photo by Morgan Gaines

For more information about Peacegiving, please visit the Peacegiving Website or contact the Peacegiving Coordinator at the address listed below.

Peacegiving Coordinator
1245 Fulton Avenue
Coos Bay, OR 97420
PHONE: (541) 888-1306 or (541) 888-1316
EMAIL: Peacegiving@ctclusi.org Website: https://ctclusi.org/tribalcourtpeacegiving

WELLNESS COURT

Are you in trouble with the law?
Are you suffering with drugs, alcohol or addiction?
Are you ready to make a change?
What does true Wellness look like for you?
A life without drugs or alcohol is possible for you.
Make the choice for a better life.



Confidential

Contact Tribal Wellness Court.
(541) 888-1307

CTCLUSI Human Resources
recruitment@ctclusihr.org

COOS BAY JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Department	Job Title	Status	Age	Starting Wage
Health Services	Behavioral Health Assistant	FT	18+	$22.30/hr - DOE
Health Services	Behavioral Health Therapist	FT	18+	$61,360/yr - $90,960/yr
Health Services	Charge Capture Specialist	FT	18+	$60,640/yr - $90,960/yr
Health Services	Community Health Nurse*	FT	25+	$83,430.00/yr - $111,230/yr
Health Services	Front Office Assistant - TRHC	FT	18+	$22.00/hr - DOE
Health Services	Medical Assistant - Primary Care	FT	18+	$22.00/hr - DOE
Health Services	Nurse Practitioner	FT	26+	$124,656/yr - DOE
Special Events	Depends on Assignment	OC	14+	Depends on Assignment

FLORENCE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Department	Job Title	Status	Age	Starting Wage
Gaming	Licensing Associate*	FT	21+	$22.30/hr - DOE
Special Events	Depends on Assignment	OC	14+	Depends on Assignment

EUGENE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Department	Job Title	Status	Age	Starting Wage
Health Services	Public Health Nurse*	FT	25+	$83,200/yr. - $124,000/yr.
Special Events	Depends on Assignment	OC	14+	Depends on Assignment

*Position requires a valid driver's license and ability to be insurable by CTCLUSI's insurance agency.

Please visit Job Opportunities on the Tribes website for full job descriptions and benefits available. You may also apply for any position online. https://ctclusi.org/human-resources-job-opportunities/

Tribal Members please log in to your Citizen Portal to access additional CTCLUSI Tribal Member Job Opportunities as they become available.

Updated: 08/29/2025

HEY!

ATTENTION!

We Want to Hear From You!

We are looking at overhauling our website ctclusi.org and would love your feedback on how we can improve the website user experience, and any changes or features you would like to see.

Any recommendations or requests that you would like to share,please email

news@ctclusi.org

or call

541-435-7175

Why RSVP for Tribal Events?

Tribal Department staff who plan events and activities for the benefit of Tribal Member need membership to "please reply" when asked to RSVP when wanting to attend Tribal events. This ensures the right amount of supplies and food and beverages to meet the needs of those in attendance. Thank you in advance for making future events as successful as possible by always calling to RSVP when asked.



RSVP for events by calling 1-541-435-7155

Tribal Website Citizen Portal Login www.ctclusi.org



It has recently come to the attention of the Communication Team that some Tribal Citizens are experiencing difficulties when trying to reset their password on the Tribal Website.

If you do reset your password, please give the system at least five minutes to update. If you reset multiple times in a row the system might not catch up in time before you attempt another reset.

If you are experiencing any issues with your access, please don't hesitate to reach out. I can reset your password for you and am always happy to help!

Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist:
Cell: (541) 808-7918
Email: mgaines@ctclusi.org

Upcoming Events

RSVP for events by calling

1-541-435-7155

October 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30 miluk language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Parenting Series Zoom 6pm	1 Elders Potluck@noon Tribal Hall hanis language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	2	3 sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	4 Littles Language Class Online 9am-10 Pumpkin Patch Coos Bay 11:00 a.m. Tribal Hall
5 Pumpkin Patch Eugene Putter's Pizza 12 noon	6	7 miluk language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Parenting Series Zoom 6pm	8 hanis language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	9 Elders Luncheon Eugene, Sizzler 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	10 sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	11 Restoration Celebration TRCR, Florence, OR
12 Regular Council Meeting 10:00 am General Council Meeting 1:00 pm	13 Indigenous Peoples Day Tribal Offices Closed	14 miluk language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Parenting Series Zoom 6pm	15 hanis language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	16	17 CTCLUSI Restoration Day Tribal Offices Closed	18 Littles Language Class Online 9am-10
19	20	21 miluk language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Parenting Series Zoom 6pm	22 hanis language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	23	24 Grand Opening Roots & Visions Exhibit Coos Art Museum 5pm	25 Littles Language Class Online 9am-10 Haunted Halloween Tribal Hall 5 pm
26	27	28 miluk language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Parenting Series Zoom 6pm	29 hanis language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	30	31 Halloween Day sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	1 Littles Language Class Online 9am-10

November 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28 miluk language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	29 hanis language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	30	31 sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	1 Littles Language Class Online 9am-10
2	3	4 miluk language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	5 Elders Potluck@noon Tribal Hall hanis language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	6	7 sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	8 Littles Language Class Online 9am-10
9 Regular Council Meeting 10:00 am	10	11 Veteran's Day Offices Closed miluk language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	12 hanis language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	13	14 sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	15 Fall Harvest & Drum Making Event
16	17	18 miluk language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	19 hanis language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	20	21 sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	22 Littles Language Class Online 9am-10
23 30	24	25 miluk language class 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	26	27 Thanksgiving Day Tribal Offices Closed	28 Native American Heritage Day Tribal Offices Closed	29 Littles Language Class Online 9am-10

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Monday - Thursday served from 11am-10pm

Friday - Sunday served from 4pm-10pm

October FEATURES

MONDAY - SANTA FE BURGER $20

TUESDAY - GRILLED HAM & CHEESE CROISSANT $20

WEDNESDAY - BAKED ZITI $20

THURSDAY - GARLIC BUTTER CHICKEN $20

FRIDAY - SLOW-ROASTED PRIME RIB $35

SATURDAY - SOUTHWESTERN FLANK STEAK $25

SUNDAY - CHEF'S CHOICE

ONE WINNER
$5,000
GUARANTEED!
SATURDAYS • 9PM
ONE ENTRY FOR EVERY
150 POINTS EARNED
SUNDAY - SATURDAY



MONDAY, October 13
NOON - 4PM
$100 FREE PLAY HOT SEATS
EVERY 20 MINUTES



Friday, October 31
7pm to 9pm
$1,000
CASH DRAWINGS
EVERY 30 MINUTES

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