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Three Rivers Foundation Awards $850,000 to Meet Critical Needs Across Oregon



Three Rivers Foundation Board Members



Source One Serenity-$6,500

Florence, Ore. — The Three Rivers Foundation, the charitable arm of Three Rivers Casino Resort, awarded $850,000 in grants to 83 organizations across Oregon, continuing its mission of investing in programs that strengthen communities, support families, and improve quality of life throughout the region.

"This is one of the best times here at the casino, to see the smiles on everybody's faces when we hand them the checks and announce their names," said Tribal Chief Doug Barrett of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians. "It's a proud day for the Tribes and Three Rivers Foundation, for all the work that this money is going to do for the communities."

Established in 2011 by the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, the Three Rivers Foundation has distributed millions of dollars to nonprofit organizations throughout Oregon, supporting programs and services that create lasting change in local communities. This year's grant cycle represents one of the Foundation's largest community investments to date, helping support organizations focused on public safety, youth services, housing, health care, food security, education, cultural preservation, and community development.

Triangle Food Box received an $8,000 grant from the Three Rivers Foundation to support programs that help families facing food insecurity in rural communities. Especially during COVID and ever since, "I will say that the importance of our mission has become clearer," said Bryn Tomlinson, board secretary for Triangle Food Box. "We have had a lot of opportunities to connect with these families, cry with them and celebrate with them because these things really are life-changing in our area."

At a special luncheon held at Three Rivers Casino Resort in Florence, nonprofit leaders gathered to celebrate the impact of the grants and partnerships that are helping strengthen Oregon communities.

The Florence Police Department received a $35,000 grant from the Three Rivers Foundation to purchase speed radar signs and flashing stop signs designed to improve safety for residents and visitors," said Florence Police Chief John Pitcher. "To be able to do these things for our community, to provide these extras, to help protect them and provide them some different resources, we wouldn't be able to do this without them."

Organizations receiving support this year represent communities throughout Oregon, including Lane, Douglas, Coos, Curry and Lincoln counties.

"The Boys & Girls Clubs of Emerald Valley received a $10,000 grant from the Three Rivers Foundation to help expand its Bethel Clubhouse as it moves into the former Shasta Middle School," said Shelly Ivey, Chief Executive officer of Boys & Girls Clubs of Emerald Valley.

"There's such a need in our community for a safe place to be after school. These funds allow us to keep our prices intentionally

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Councilor Julie Siestreem and Chief Doug Barrett

Tribal Council Business

Activity of Elected Tribal Council Members from May 11, 2026 - June 14, 2026

Chief Doug Barrett

05/11 General Council Meeting
05/12 ERI Monthly Partner Meeting
05/13 TRC Three Rivers Casino Foundation Decision Meeting
05/14 Culture Committee Meeting
05/15 Prep for Rhody Days Parades
05/16 Jr. Rhody Parade & Paddle Ceremony to Barrett Creek on the Siuslaw River
05/17 Rhododendron Grand Floral Parade – Tribal Council was the Grande Marshal
05/19 maniis tei hap' Data Canoe Painting at Tribal Hall
05/20 MHA/LADPC, Dinner with Casino Audit Team
05/21 Special Meeting ACR, Leaders Circle
05/23 Dennis Rankin Marriage
05/26 Slam Plasa Dedication and Ceremonies, LCIS Meeting
05/27 STEP Trap Removal at Whiteker Creek, GFORB & TRC Audit report, Tribal Council Business Meeting
05/28 tkimya discussion
05/29 haich ikt' tuu Breach Day
06/02 Monthly AERI Partner Meeting
06/03 Mapleton Sporza Fare and Salmon Ceremony
06/04 maniis tei hap' Data Canoe Planning Meeting, Elakha Alliance Board Meeting & Leaders Circle
06/06 Tribal Member internment Ceremony, Amanda Trial Talk with Community & Siletz on Harvesting the Whale
06/08 Sea Otter Recovery Tribal Engagement meeting
06/09 Indian Country Elders Knowledge & Cultural Keepers ECHO zoom, Blue Earth second quarter Zoom Meeting
06/10 Lane ACT Monthly Meeting
06/11 Elders Lunch at TRC, Water Healing Ceremony – Hosted by Cow Creek in Canyonville
06/12 Water Healing Ceremony – Hosted by Cow Creek in Canyonville
06/13 New Canoe Paddle at Muncil Lake
06/14 General Tribal Council Meeting

Total Hours: 178

Teresa Spangler, Chair

05/11 Regular Council meeting
05/13 Three Rivers Foundation Board Meeting. (Chose grant recipients from over 200 applications)
05/17 Grand Marshall in 119th Rhododendron Grand Floral Parade
05/20 Dinner with Casino Audit Team to celebrate clean audit (Chair and Chief are invited yearly)
05/21 Special Meeting: Resolutions in line with Secretarial Election and Constitutional Changes, Chapter 7-3 Elections, Chapter 7-1 Enrollment, Chapter 1-9 Tribal Council, Application for improved Forest Management Plan, American Carbon Registry - Account Registration
Leaders Circle: Final draft of the Offshore Wind Roadmap with DLCD, Appointed Tribal Member Staff to Coos County Historical Society Board, Discussion regarding Mural Request at the Visitors Center
05/22 Meeting with CEO and Legal
05/26 Legislative Commission on Indian Services Meeting. (LCIS)
05/27 Meeting with Brian (GFORB Chair) and Legal to check in, GFORB Meeting, Three Rivers Audit Presentation, Business Council Meeting
05/29 haich ikt' at' uu (formally Waite Ranch) breach. Returning of a wetland!
06/02 Department of Land Conservation & Development (DLCD) Oregon Coastal Planners Spring Network Meeting.
06/03 Sforza Fair/ Salmon Ceremony at Mapleton School District
06/04 Leaders Circle: Met with Oregon Secretary of State Tobias Read. (Check in) (Zoom), Consultation with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding Emissions Standards for Hazardous air Pollutants (Zoom), Met with Health Director about Nationwide Telehealth, Fee to Trust discussions

Total Hours: 141

Brad Kneaper, Vice Chair

05/11 Tribal Council Regular Meeting
05/12 Oregon Tribal Gaming Alliance (ZOOM)
05/17 Rhododendron Festival Parade (Council as Grand Marshals)
05/21 Special Council Meeting: Resolution - ACR Account Registration and Designee; Resolutions Related to Constitutional Amendments; Leader's Circle: DLCD Final Draft Offshore Roadmap, response to Tribes written Comments; Dept Cultural and Natural Resources (DCNR) Tribal Member Serving on Coos County Historical Society Board; DCNR and Forestry regarding Forest Tracts; Visitor Center Mural Blessing request
05/26 Legislative Commission on Indian Services (LCIS) meeting (Virtual)
05/27 Gaming Operational Review Board (GFORB), Three Rivers Casino Audit Presentation, Tribal Council Business Meeting
05/29 Attend the Breaching of the Dike at haich Ikt' at' uu (Formerly Waite Ranch) to witness the waters of the Siuslaw River inundate the Channels of the property to restore as a wetland for natural habitat
06/03 Attend Mapleton School District annual SFORZA (arts) Fair and Salmon Ceremony
06/04 Leader's Circle: Oregon Secretary of State Read (He was virtual); Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Consultation re: National Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants; Health Dept - Update on health planning for Tribal Membership outside Service Area; Legal Counsel - Discussion on Siletz Fee to Trust update
06/11 Visit the Brainard Memorial Property, and nearby Restoration Project

Total Hours: 158

Debbie Bossley

05/16 Foundation Meeting
05/17 Rhody Fest Parade Grand Marshall
05/21 Special Meeting & Leaders Circle
05/26 LCIS Zoom Meeting
05/27 Tribal Council Business Meeting
06/04 Leaders Circle
06/14 Tribal Council Regular Meeting

Total Hours: 70

Julie Siestreem

05/11 Tribal Council/General Council regular monthly meeting Coos Bay Community Center
05/12 4j NATIVES Program IPC meeting Eugene 4j District Offices
05/13 Oregon Department of Early Learning and Care Rules Advisory Committee Webinar
05/15 – 05/17 Tribal Council Grand Marshall for the 119th Florence Rhododendron Festival Florence
05/16 Education Committee Meeting zoom
05/21 Tribal Council Special Meeting American Carbon Registry Account Registration Coos Bay Community Center, Tribal Council Leaders Circle Coos Bay Community Center
05/26 Legislative Commission on Indian Services Permanent Art Installation and Dedication Oregon State Capitol Building Salem, Legislative Council Commission on Indian Services regular meeting Oregon State Capitol Building Salem, Oregon Department of Early Learning and Care Oregon Tribal Early Learning Alliance meeting zoom
05/27 Tribal Council Gaming Facility Organization Review Board regular monthly meeting Three Rivers Casino Florence, Tribal Council 2025 Three Rivers Casino Audit Presentation Three Rivers Casino Florence, Tribal Council Regular Monthly Business Meeting Three Rivers Casino Florence
05/28 Oregon Department of Early Learning and Care Home Visiting Committee zoom
05/29 haich ikt au uu Breach Florence, Ashley Russell Master of Natural Resources Defense zoom
06/03 Sforza Fair/Salmon Ceremony Mapleton Middle/High School
06/04 Tribal Council Leaders Circle Coos Bay Community Center
06/06 Kyle Gaines Tribute Ceremony to Anna Campbell
06/09 4j NATIVES Program IPC meeting zoom
06/11 – 06/12 Healing The Waters-Cow Creek Canyonville
06/14 Tribal Council/ General Council regular monthly meeting Coos Bay Community Center

Total Hours: 130

Iliana Montiel

05/07 – 6/01 OUT ON MEDICAL LEAVE
05/21 Special TC meeting \ Leaders Circle (via Zoom)
05/27 GFORB \ Tribal Council Business Meeting (via Zoom)
06/04 Leaders Circle (via Zoom)

Total Hours: 14

Ashley Russell

05/16 May Fly Festival
05/17 Rhododendron Festival
05/21 Reviewed Leader's Circle Packet, Special Meeting, Leader's Circle
05/26 Reviewed Business Meeting Packet
05/27 2025 Three Rivers Audit Presentation and Business Council Meeting
05/31-06/05 Capitol Hill on Ocean; Meetings with BOEM & BSEE, USFWS, NOAA, Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, House Subcommittee on Natural Resources, House Representative Hoyle, Senator Merkley staff, Senator Wydon staff; Reviewed Leader's Circle Packet, Leader's Circle
06/06 Anna Campbell's Celebration of Life
06/13 Reviewed Tribal Council Meeting Packet
06/15 Tribal Council Meeting, drafted and submitted Council Business

Total Hours: 116.25

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. VACANT
3. Margaret Corvi
4. Stephanie Watkins
5. Kerry Brainard
6. Sarah Marical
7. Roseana Perry - Chair

Cultural Coalition Committee
1. Enna Helms
2. Cynthia Hovind
3. Pam Stoehlser
4. Kyle Gaines
5. VACANT

Culture Committee
1. Earla Kirk
2. Kyle Gaines
3. Alyssa Lydick
4. Nicole Romine
5. Michael Brainard
6. Patricia Whereat-Phillips - Chair
7. Chief Doug Barrett

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 (Tom) Brainard
4. VACANT
5. Mike Lent
6. Stan McNutt
7. Teresa Spangler

Election Board
1. (Expired) Jade Fong
2. Michael Brainard - Chair
3. Tes Gagner
4. Mark Petrie
5. Kathy Perkins
6. Kimmy Bixby
7. Ashley Russell

Enrollment Committee
1. Courtney Krossman
2. Patricia Whereat-Phillips
3. Skip Brainard
4. Vicki Faciane - Chair
5. Teresa Spangler

Housing Committee
1. Andrew Brainard
2. Danny Krossman
3. Enna Helms
4. Tyler Slyter - Chair
5. Sarah Marical

Language Committee
1. Nicole Mendoza
2. Tammy Evarts
3. Ashley Vandevort
4. Jade Fong - Chair
5. VACANT
6. Jesse Beers
7. Ayuthea Cisneros

All committee members with an expired term have been notified and are encouraged to submit a letter of interest for reappointment.
If you wish to no longer participate as an active member, please send an email to enrollment@ctclusi.org

Interested in being on a committee? Submit a letter of interest (can be found on the Enrollment page on the Tribal website). Members can serve on up to three committees simultaneously.

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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
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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

July 12, 2026
Regular Meeting 10:00 a.m.
Coos Bay Community Center
338 Wallace Ave.
Coos Bay, Oregon 97420

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

Resolution Summaries

26-098	05/21/2026	ACR Account Registration & Designee	7-0-0
26-099	05/21/2026	Application for Listing an Improved Forest Management Project	7-0-0
26-100	05/21/2026	Approval of Emergency Amendment to CLUSITC Chapter 1-9 Tribal Council due to Amendments to the Constitution	7-0-0
26-101	05/21/2026	Approval of Emergency Amendment to CLUSITC Chapter 7-1 Enrollment Due to Amendments to the Constitution	7-0-0
26-102	05/21/2026	Approval of Emergency Amendment to CLUSITC Chapter 7-3 (Elections) Due to Amendments to the Constitution	7-0-0
26-103	05/27/2026	TPD Dual-Band Portable Radio Purchase	7-0-0
26-104	05/27/2026	Approval of Revision to Tribal Council Rules of Procedure and Conduct	7-0-0
26-105	05/27/2026	Amendment of Chapter 7-5 (General Committee Code) for First Reading and 28 Day Comment Period	7-0-0
26-106	05/27/2026	Amendments to Chapter 7-16 (Visions Committee) for First Reading	7-0-0
26-107	05/27/2026	Cooperating Agency Memorandum with Bureau of Land Management	6-0-1
26-108	05/27/2026	Approval to Award LRTP Contract to Red Plains Professional, Inc	7-0-0
26-109	05/27/2026	Approval to Award Coordinated Tribal Transit Plan Contract to Red Plains Professional Inc	7-0-0
26-110	05/27/2026	Approval to Award Admin Roadway Improvement Contract	6-1-0
26-111	05/27/2026	Approval of Administration Dental Renovation Project Budget	6-0-1
26-112	05/27/2026	Approval to Amend 2010 Long Range Transportation Plan	7-0-0
26-113	05/27/2026	AGS Gaming Equipment Conversion Order	7-0-0
26-114	05/27/2026	Bluberi Order	7-0-0
26-115	05/27/2026	Bluberi Order	7-0-0
26-116	05/27/2026	Yamhill Community Care Oregon Health Plan Line of Business Participating Provider Agreement	6-0-1
26-117	05/27/2026	Professional Services Agreement	6-0-1
26-118	05/27/2026	Approval to Purchase Real Property	5-2-0
26-119	05/27/2026	Approval to Transfer from Operating Reserves to Land Acquisition Fund	5-2-0
26-120	06/14/2026	Approval of the Coos Bay Three Rivers Health Clinic Retrofit Project Budget	6-0-1
26-121	06/14/2026	Approval of Three Rivers Health Clinic - Florence Project Budget	6-0-1
26-122	06/14/2026	Approval of Eugene Outreach Renovation Project Budget	7-0-0
26-123	06/14/2026	Oregon Tribal - State Water Policy Forum Delegate and Alternate(s)	5-0-2
26-124	06/14/2026	Approval of Emergency Amendment to CLUSITC Chapter 2-5 Civil Judgements Section 2-5-24	7-0-0
26-125	06/14/2026	Amendment to Chapter 10-2 Tribal Forest Resources Management Code for Second Reading and Final Approval	7-0-0
26-126	06/14/2026	AmWest Entertainment LLC ISI Race Inc Confidentiality and NDA and Tribal Council Approval Thereof	0-7-0
26-127	06/14/2026	Approval to Purchase Umpqua Islands Real Property	7-0-0
26-128	06/14/2026	Approval of Master Agreement and Nondisclosure Agreement Template Between Confederated Tribes of Coos Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians and Oregon State University	7-0-0

Upcoming Holiday Closures

All CTCLUSI Tribal Government Offices will be CLOSED in Observance of these holidays

Independence Day - Observed on July 3

Labor Day - Monday, September 7

Native American Day - Friday, September 25

Indigenous People's Day - Monday, October 12

CTCLUSI Restoration Day - Saturday, October 17, observed Friday, October 16

Veteran's Day - Wednesday, November 11

Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, November 26

Native American Heritage Day - Friday, November 27

Staff Appreciation Day (Christmas Eve) - Thursday, December 24

Chirstmas Day - Friday, December 25

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CODE AMENDMENTS

The following proposed Code amendment drafts was passed for First Reading by Tribal Council on May 27, 2026

TITLE: 7 ENROLLMENT, COMMITTEES, ELECTIONS AND REFERENDUMS

Chapter 7-16 Visions Committee

The Tribal Council has approved recommendations for amendments to the Vision Committee to move this committee under the Enrollment Department do the primary goal is to facilitate communication to membership using various forms of member contacts, where the Enrollment Department manages this area of data.

Tribal Council hereby approved the amendments to this Code for First Reading and posting for a twenty-eight (28) comment day period.

TITLE: 7 ENROLLMENT, COMMITTEES, ELECTIONS AND REFERENDUMS

Chapter 7-5 General Committee Code

The Tribal Council has approved amendments to the General Committee Code. This Code serves as the Code that is used for all practical purposes and guidelines to the structure of all Committees.

Tribal Council hereby approved the amendments to this Code for First Reading and posting for a twenty-eight (28) Comment day period.

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

August 10, 2026

Please visit www.ctclusi.org for complete draft to all Codes above.

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, CTCLUSI, 1245 Fulton Avenue, Coos Bay OR 97420 or email: jmiller@ctclusi.org.

SAVE *the* DATE



Sacred Salmon Ceremony

Sunday, August 2, 2026

baldija (Gregory Point), Coos Bay, Oregon

Salmon Remains will also be returned by canoe on the
Umpqua River (Winchester Bay, OR) on August 3, 2026
Siuslaw River (Florence, OR) on August 4, 2026





Dear Tribal families,

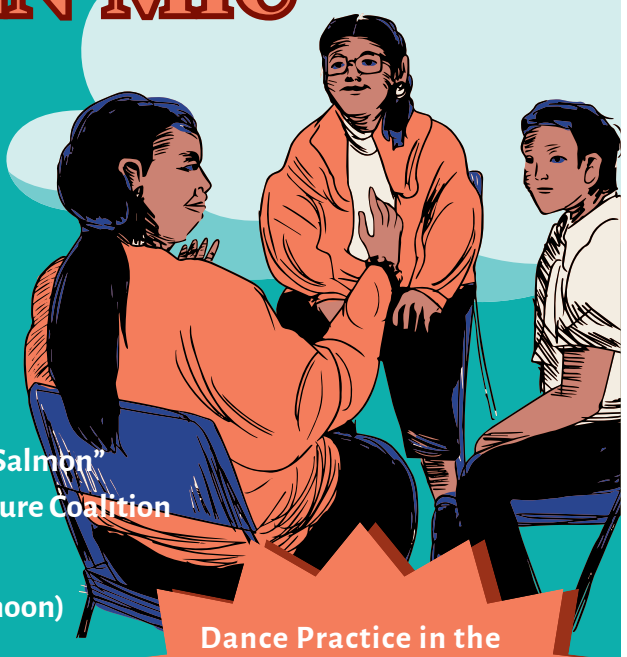
We would like to inform everyone that the tkimya Naming Ceremony announced in the June edition of the newsletter has been POSTPONED until further notice.

After discussion with Elders and staff, the decision was made to postpone the ceremony until road conditions can be improved, and access to the site is safer for everyone. While we know many were looking forward to gathering for this important occasion, the safety of our community remains our priority.

We will share a new date and time once conditions allow us to move forward with the ceremony.
k'ele, luuwii, hiisa, for your understanding, patience, and support.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Alycia Cossey, Cultural Stewardship Associate, at acossey@ctclusi.org, or call 541-294-1237.

TRADITIONAL STORYTELLING & OPEN MIC



Details

- Continental Breakfast sponsored by Tribal Council
- Date: Saturday, August 1st
- Time: 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
- Venue: Community Center 338 Wallace Avenue, Coos Bay

- Traditional Storytelling "The Salmon" & Open Mic sponsored by Culture Coalition
- Date: Saturday, August 1st
- Time: 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (noon)
- Venue: Tribal Hall 338 Wallace Avenue, Coos Bay

RSVP to 541-435-7155 for any of the above events

Dance Practice in the Tribal Hall Following the day's events, for all those who will be attending Sacred Salmon Ceremony on Sunday, August 2nd

All Tribal Families Welcome!

Hidden Image Search: Can You Find Me?



In this edition of The Voice of CLUSI there is a hidden image of **a FLICKER FEATHER 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 FLICKER FEATHER hiding!
Must email by July 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.
Thank you to all of the Tribal Government Departments that donate raffle prizes!
Thank you to everyone for playing, and for your patience as the raffle prizes for the winners are mailed out.
Questions? Contact mgaines@ctclusi.org

June Camas Raffle Winners:
Adult - Kayla Kopish
Youth - Olivia Wisdom

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Miluk Language isn't Gone. Meet a South Eugene Grad Who Speaks It

Miranda Cyr, Eugene Register-Guard, Sat, June 6, 2026 at 4:03 AM PDT

The language spoke by Coos people for time immemorable is not extinct as reported by SIL Global, an international nonprofit that documents and preserves languages.

At least, not according to Isa Helms, a graduating senior at South Eugene High School who earned the Oregon Seal of Biliteracy for the miluk language. She is the first student in Eugene School District 4J to earn a Seal of Biliteracy for an Indigenous language.

As an enrolled tribal citizen of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians (CTCLUSI), Isa grew up immersed in her heritage. Her family cooks cultural foods like salmon and gathers natural materials for basketry and traditional clothing, such as maple bark skirts. But it wasn't until middle school that she started learning the miluk language.

"I've always had a Native American household," Isa said. "Growing up, I realized that not a lot of people had that experience. In my tribe, yes, but my mom was always invested in it."



Isa Helms is an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians and the first student in Eugene School District 4J to earn a Seal of Biliteracy in an Indigenous language.

Isa's mother Enna Helms teaches language classes via Zoom that her daughter participates in.

In just a few years, Isa was able to master the language through lessons and speaking it at home.

"Our people, our ancestors spoke it, too, and it's connecting that we're learning the same languages that were spoken for thousands of years," Isa said. "I've always felt present in our tribal communities, and it (helped) me get more invested in it."

What it takes to learn Indigenous languages on the brink of 'extinction'

Enna has been making efforts to bring Indigenous languages back more broadly to tribal citizens for years. She started working closely with her tribe's elders in 2007 and, through that work, stories surfaced about language, culture and history.

Enna recalled her father and older siblings speaking a bit of miluk and Chinuk Wawa, which is an Indigenous language historically used widely across the Pacific Northwest, when she was around 5 years old.

"It just always stuck with me," Enna said. "I just didn't realize how much it would eventually become such a big part of my life."

Enna began taking classes on Chinuk Wawa at Lane Community College in 2013. Her proficiency led to LCC asking her to stay and teach academically for three years. After LCC, she and a colleague fully dedicated their time to Tribal language revitalization. In 2017, Enna and her team received a National Science Foundation grant to document endangered languages for CTCLUSI, also collaborating with the Coquille Indian Tribe.

"Between the two federally recognized tribes, it was like 44 elders that we interviewed and about 24 (of them) recalled language," Enna said. "That is a very significant moment in my life journey with language because you're just told that you're not even there when you're there, you know? 'You have no language left.'

"To actually see that our elders retained what they heard from when they grew up just really shifted that narrative."

She said those interviews showed the language memory is still alive, and through its renewal they could bring back the culture, identity and knowledge it carries.

In 2019, Enna worked with the Yama Center at University of Oregon while earning her linguistics degree and doing self-study of miluk. While learning miluk herself, Enna simultaneously taught two other Native students. When the COVID-19 pandemic hit, Enna learned more about virtual learning tools like Zoom. She realized Zoom would serve as the perfect platform to teach Indigenous language, as tribal members are spread out across Oregon and other states.

Today, Enna's efforts are focused on three languages: miluk (Coos), hanis (Coos), and the sha'yuushtɬ'a (Siuslaw) and uɬ quuiich (Lower Umpqua). Enna is also on UO's Northwest Indigenous Language Institute board.

Oregon Indigenous people were forcibly removed from their homes in the 1850s, creating an Oregon "Trail of Tears." Tribal communities were marched up the coast and confined to reservations and encampments near Yachats where many died from starvation, mistreatment and disease.

"Our ancestors didn't hand the language down like they would have had there not been so much hostility to speak our language and practice or culture," Enna said. "We lost a lot, but thankfully, our languages were recorded really well by ethnologists and anthropologists that came through. We have a lot of historical record of our languages written down in manuscripts and also in audio."

Today, Enna is trying to recreate the familiar use of the languages in homes. In addition to regular classes open to tribal citizens, she also has classes geared toward elders and toward children 5 and younger.

"We want our babies to hear the language and to use the language in the home, reinforced by our elders and their parents," Enna said. "It's intergenerational learning, bringing language home."

What is the Seal of Biliteracy?

The Oregon Seal of Biliteracy started in 2018 and has two main criteria, according to 4J District Testing Coordinator Kathleen Mitchell. First, the recipient must meet all their high school graduating requirements. Second, they must demonstrate language proficiency in at least two languages through an evaluation. Students who pass International Baccalaureate language tests or Advanced Placement language tests also qualify.

Every year, hundreds of high school graduates earn their seal across the state in at least 47 primary languages and 22 secondary languages.

Mitchell said the district has submitted 120 graduating seniors for recognition this year. She said the program grows every year with more languages available for the seal. She said it's exciting to see that extend to Indigenous languages thanks to Isa's efforts.



South Eugene High School graduating senior Isa Helms, center, poses with Eugene School District 4J's board and Superintendent Miriam Miralles Mickelson after being recognized for earning an Oregon Seal of Biliteracy in miluk (Coos).

"The fact that there's a space in this public school district to recognize the reclamation of a language that the same historical system of education had suppressed and oppressed is really just healing," Mitchell said. "That feels like a step in the right direction."

Each language has different standards to earn the seal. For miluk, most of the assessment was focused on speech. Isa had to speak for 45 minutes, exclusively in miluk 90% of the time.

Isa remembers dreading her biliteracy assessment as it approached, but to her surprise, she had a lot of fun. Speaking

Miluk Language continued...

came easily to her.

She hopes her Seal of Biliteracy will inspire other young people in her tribe to pursue miluk.

"I do feel like learning languages and passing them down to younger generations really helps our community thrive," Isa said. "I think I'm kind of privileged too, because I have a mom who really knows our history and language and all our traditions. I think I'm just lucky."

Finding Native community in South Eugene

Growing up, Isa said she didn't see Native representation in media. In middle school, she didn't connect with her peers or teachers culturally.

"It was a little isolating," Isa said. "I didn't really know how to say I was Native."

When Isa came to SEHS, she started seeing more recognition of Indigenous history. There were posters depicting Native American history in her social studies classes and Indigenous student groups for her to participate in.

She truly found community through the Native American Student Union at SEHS, which she joined her freshman year. Isa said even though her fellow club members come from different tribal nations and communities, they have a shared history and even some shared traditions.

Isa plans to continue engaging with Native cultures in higher education. She'll be attending Lane Community College, which has a well-established Native American Student Association and Longhouse. She'd like to transfer to Oregon State University to study chemistry or another science.

OSU also has a strong Native American community as well, Isa said. She'd like to continue her language work alongside her studies.

"I feel like I've gotten to grow up in a time where Indigenous knowledge and people who are Indigenous are more welcome," Isa said.

She said she hopes people realize Native people are not gone. Isa is just one testament of that.

This article originally appeared at www.registerguard.com







Dress for Success

Educational Readiness Support

What Is Dress for Success?

Dress for Success helps remove clothing-related barriers that prevent students and youth from fully participating in school, training programs, interviews, and career preparation activities.

Who Can Participate?

CTCLUSI-enrolled students
Kindergarten through age 24

Students ages 18–24 must be enrolled in Higher Education or provide a current or upcoming vocational, career-tech, or college class schedule.

What Support Is Covered?

Participants may receive funding for:
- School-appropriate clothing
- Interview or career-readiness attire
- Shoes
- Outerwear
- Other essential items required for participation

Funding Available

Up to $250 per student

Questions or need more infomation? Please contact Lyndsay Carroll at lyndsay.carroll@ctclusi.org

PROGRAM LAUNCH DATE: JUNE 1, 2026 through December 1, 2026

AMAZON BACK TO School Vouchers

Who is this for?

CTCLUSI households with K-12 students (Tribe-wide)

What does this help with?

Backpacks
Notebooks
Binders
Folders
Pens
Pencils
Calculators
Lunch gear and basic school supplies

$110 per student

Please contact Lyndsay Carroll at lyndsay.carroll@ctclusi.org

Tutoring Support

Tribal Hall
338 Wallace St· Coos Bay

Free tutoring support for CTCLUSI household students in K-12 and Higher Education

Homework Help in reading, writing, math, and college coursework

Safe & welcoming environment

Remote and In-Person Tutoring Available By Appointment

For more information, please contact **Lyndsay Carroll** at (541) 888-1315 or lyndsay.carroll@ctclusi.org.

CTCLUSI Workforce Training Program

CTCLUSI EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

WHO'S IT FOR?:

CTCLUSI Enrolled Students Ages 14 to 24

- PAID TRAINING OPPORTUNITY
- SHORT-TERM LEARNING EXPERIENCES
- CAREER EXPLORATION

DESCRIPTION:

Connecting youth to structured workforce experiences, career exposure, skill- building, and pathways into higher education and employment

For questions, please contact
Jemiah Wassman at jwassman@ctclusi.org ◆ 541-294-4105

YOUTH CAMP SUPPORT PROGRAM

FOR CTCLUSI K-12 FAMILIES ELIGIBLE FOR YOUTH CAMP SUPPORT, LIVING OUTSIDE THE 5-COUNTY SERVICE AREA

WHO IS ELIGIBLE.

- CTCLUSI HOUSEHOLDS WITH K-12 STUDENTS
- STUDENTS MUST RESIDE OUTSIDE OF THE TRIBE'S 5 COUNTY SERVCICE AREA (LANE, COOS, DOUGLAS, LINCOLN, AND CURRY COUNTIES

WHAT THE PROGRAM SUPPORTS!

- Education and academic enrichment
- Cultural learning
- Leadership development
- STEM, science learning
- Outdoor and nature based experiences
- School break enreichment camps

ATHLETIC AND SPORT SPECIFIC CAMPS ARE NOT INCLUDED AT THIS TIME

PROGRAM PERIOD

JULY 1, 2026- DECEMBER 1, 2026

FUNDING IS LIMITED

FUNDING IS LIMITED AND AWARDED AS AVALIABLE.
EARLY SUBMISSIONS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED
PAYMENT IS MADE DIRECTLY TO AN APPROVED CAMP VENDOR
NO REIMBUSMENT TO FAMILIES
UP TO $300 PER ELIGIBLE YOUTH, AS FUNDING ALLOWS

INTERESTED?

PLEASE CONTACT Lyndsay Carroll at lyndsay.carroll@ctclusi.org

Credit Recovery

Tribal Hall
338 Wallace Street · Coos Bay

For any students in 9th through 12th grade who need to make up classroom credit we are here to support during the summer and into the Fall.

Safe & welcoming environment

Tutors both remote and in person

Laptop and WiFi support at Tribal Hall

For more information contact Lyndsay Carroll at 541-888-1315 or email lyndsay.carroll@ctclusi.org

Good Health, Good Summer

Contributed by Elizabeth Escobedo, MS, CHES, CNC Diabetes Educator

Sources: Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), American Diabetes Association (ADA), Indian Health Service (IHS), U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA)

Last month we shared ideas about summer meals and saving money. However your summer is going, we are glad you are here.

Summer brings warm days, time with family, vacations, and gatherings we look forward to all year. A few small steps can help you feel good the whole season long.

Hot Days and Your Blood Sugar

Did you know summer heat can change your blood sugar? Being in the sun, not drinking enough water, or moving around more than usual can cause it to go up or down, sometimes fast.
Your body works harder in the heat. A little extra attention goes a long way.

• Drink ***chii*** (sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich) Drink ***hap'*** (miluk) Drink ***x̣ap'*** (hanis)

Drink water often throughout the day, even before you feel thirsty. Cold herbal teas like rosehip (high in vitamin C), mint, or hibiscus are another great way to stay cool and hydrated this summer. No sugar, no caffeine, and they count toward your water for the day.

• Check your blood sugar the way your doctor showed you.

• Take breaks in the shade. Rest is part of staying well.

• Feeling dizzy, shaky, or extra tired? Slow down and check in. Your body is talking to you.

Eating Well at Gatherings and on the Road

Family visits, road trips, vacations, and feast tables. Summer is full of good food and good people. Traditional foods are part of who we are. You do not have to leave them behind to take good care of yourself.

• Add some color to your plate. Fill half your plate with non-starchy vegetables (example: cauliflower, broccoli, green beans, or leafy greens), then enjoy the rest.

• Eat slowly. It takes time for your body to feel full.

• Choose water with your meal instead of sweet drinks when you can.

• Packing snacks for the road? Nuts, fruits, or veggies travel well and are easy on blood sugar.

Quick Tip: Summer Foot Care

More sandals, more bare feet, more time outside. Summer is a great time to show your feet some love.
Check your feet every day for any sores or redness, wear shoes that fit well, and dry between your toes after swimming.
Small habits here make a big difference.

Keep Your Supplies Cool

Summer heat can damage your insulin and diabetes supplies without you knowing. A little planning keeps everything working the way it should.

• Store supplies somewhere cool and out of direct sunlight

• Never leave them in a hot car. Even for a few minutes, it can cause damage.

• A small, insulated bag keeps everything safe when you are out.



Congratulations on your Accomplishment!

Send your graduation photo and information to be featured in a future edition of The Voice of CLUSI paper.

Email Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist at mgaines@ctclusi.org

High School Student Support Program

CTCLUSI Education May Reimburse Eligible High School Expenses

- 📚 Yearbooks
- 🎓 Class Rings
- 🏆 Letterman Jackets
- 🧮 Graphing Calculators
- 📖 Dual Enrollment Books & Materials

Support Available for Eligible CTCLUSI Household High School Students

Supporting High School Success

For more information, please contact Lyndsay Carroll at (541) 888-1315 or lyndsay.carroll@ctclusi.org

Summer Refresher

- 1 can sparkling water (Experiment with different flavors)
- ½ lime juice
- Cucumber: 3-4 slices
- Basil: 3-4 fresh leaves
- Ice

Directions:

1. Add cucumber slices and lime juice to a glass. Use the back of a wooden spoon to gently crush them to release the flavors.
2. Grab basil leaves and gently crush in your hand and mix with the remaining ingredients.
3. Fill a new glass with ice and strain the mixture over the ice.
4. Pour sparkling water over the top, give it a gentle stir to combine, and garnish with cucumber, lime, or basil leaf!

Red, White, and Blue Pudding Trifle

16 Servings

- Instant vanilla pudding mix (sugar-free
- (fat-free) 1 oz skim milk 2 cup light
- whipped topping (thawed) 8 oz
- *raspberries (divided) 2 1/2 cup
- *blueberries (divided) 2 1/2 cup
- *strawberries (sliced) 1 1/2 cup

*Or use any berries you have on hand you can even experiment by adding more traditional berries. For example: huckleberries andblack cap raspberries,

Enjoy

1. In a large bowl, prepare pudding according to package directions. Cool in refrigerator for 5 minutes.

2. Fold whipped topping into pudding and incorporate well.

3. In a trifle bowl, spread 1/3 pudding mixture in bottom of bowl. Top with 2 cups raspberries; spread evenly. Layer another 1/3 of pudding mixture and top with 2 cups blueberries; spread evenly. Spread remaining pudding mixture on top of blueberries. Top pudding with 1/2 cup blueberries, 1/2 cup raspberries and all of strawberries.

Three Rivers Foundation Awards continued from cover story...

low so that every kid who needs a safe place to be after school can afford it."

"We're super excited to receive this grant and have the opportunity to do some focused investigations on property crimes here in West Lane County," said Lane County Sheriff Cliff Harrold Wilkerson. "We've had a rash of burglaries and thefts, and with only one deputy assigned to West Lane County, it can be difficult to dedicate the extra investigative effort these cases require. This grant will help us fund overtime and focus on those property crimes that are impacting our communities. Grants are harder to get right now. Federal grants are extremely competitive, and state funding has diminished, so the opportunity to receive support from a local stakeholder like the Three Rivers Foundation is exciting."

"With the state of the country right now, it's a little rough for a lot of families to make ends meet," said Tribal Chief Doug Barrett of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians. "So, if we can help with that, that's a good thing."



Lane DUII Victim Impact Panel-$4,000



Mohawk Valley Rural Fire District-$10,000



Food Backbacks for Kids-$10,000



Glide Revitalization-$10,000



Eugene Springfield Youth Orchestras-$15,000



Source One Serenity-$6,500

2026 Award Summary

- Coos County: 19 organizations
- Curry County: 2 organizations
- Douglas County: 14 organizations
- Lincoln County: 3 organizations
- Lane County: 43 organizations
- Other Counties / Statewide: 2 organizations

Total: 83 organizations

Coos County

- Coos-Curry Electric Charitable Foundation (Coos & Curry Counties) – $15,000
- Oregon Coast STEM Hub/Agricultural Research Foundation – $1,704
- Fishing Poles for Kids Oregon Coast – $5,000
- Agape Respite Center – $5,000
- Lakeside Rural Fire Protection District – $12,491.31
- Myrtle Point Chamber of Commerce – $2,000
- Myrtle Point Senior Citizens Center – $5,000
- The Evergreen Quest – $6,000
- Coquille River Lighthouse Keepers Inc – $2,200
- Oregon Coast Music Association, Inc. – $7,000
- Knights of Columbus – $5,000
- Soldiers of Compassion – $5,000
- Coos Beekeepers – $3,339
- Hearts with a Mission – $15,000
- Coos County Habitat for Humanity – $20,000
- Financial Beginnings – $10,000
- Bright Beginnings Christian Preschool – $8,500
- Food Backpacks for Kids – $10,000
- Pregnancy and Parenting Center – $1,800

Curry County

- The Common Good – $10,000
- South Coast Community Aquatics – $15,000

Douglas County

- Glide Revitalization – $10,000
- Community Cancer Center – $10,000
- CCD Business Development Corporation – $5,000
- Umpqua Valley Farm to School – $10,000
- Sleep in Heavenly Peace – $5,500
- St Francis Community Kitchen – $10,000
- CASA of Douglas County – $10,000
- Conference of St Vincent de Paul Society of Myrtle Creek – $15,000
- NeighborWorks of Umpqua – $15,000
- The Fish of Roseburg – $10,000
- Safe Haven Maternity Home – $10,000
- Douglas County Cancer Services (DCCS) – $5,000
- Source One Serenity – $6,500
- Oregon Coast School of Art – $9,170

Lincoln County

- Yachats Rural Fire Protection District – $18,299
- Oregon Coast Youth Symphony Festival Association – $5,000
- Oregon Coast Fire and Rescue – $5,790

Lane County

- General Assembly of the Church of God – $8,000
- Florence Senior Center – $4,700
- Siuslaw High School – $10,000
- Siuslaw Valley Charter School / Whitmore Classical Academy – $26,373
- Florence Police Department –$35,000
- Friends of Florence – $10,000
- Oregon Coast Military Museum – $10,000
- Safe Shelter for Siuslaw Students – $6,960
- Florence Community PTA – $15,000
- McKenzie Little Eagles Childcare Center – $10,000
- Junction City Police Department – $15,000
- Keeper's of Heceta Lightstation – $9,000
- Junction City School District – SkillsUSA – $15,000
- Triangle Food Box – $8,000
- Mapleton Food Share – $20,000
- Mapleton School District – $18,000
- Rose Children's Theater – $1,200
- Lane Council of Governments – $4,725
- Oregon Cancer Foundation – $25,000
- Back2Youth – $5,000
- OSLC Developments, Inc. – $10,000
- Lane County Sheriff's Office – $25,000
- HIV Alliance – $6,000
- Kids First – $20,000
- Shelter Care – $12,000
- Community Supporter Shelter – $10,000
- Boys and Girls Club of Emerald Valley – $10,000
- Eugene-Springfield Youth Orchestras – $15,000
- Relief Nursery, INC – $15,000
- Ophelia's Place – $15,000
- A Family for Every Child – $10,000
- Eugene Science Center – $9,000
- Hosea Youth Services – $25,000
- Bags of Love – $3,000
- Bethel Education Foundation – $12,015.76
- Veterans Legacy – $3,000
- Lane DUII Victim Impact Panel – $4,000
- One Hope – $8,000
- Food for Lane County – $10,000
- Head Start of Lane County – $5,000
- Lane County Diaper Bank – $5,000
- Mohawk Valley Rural Fire District – $10,000
- Volunteers in Medicine Clinic – $15,000

Other Counties / Statewide

- Oregon Volunteer Firefighter Association – $3,000
- Oregon Lion's Sight & Hearing Foundation – $7,500



One Hope-$8,000



Coos Beekeepers-$3,339



Friends of Florence-$10,000

PEACEGIVING

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

All Peacegiving issues are confidential.



Photo By: Jesse Beers

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: http://ctclusi.org/peacegiving

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





Coos Bay and North Bend Free Summer Meal Programs are provided by the North Bend and Coos Bay Public School Districts.
Please contact them for more information.
Information flyers gathered by Social Services for youth living in the Coos Bay/North Bend area.

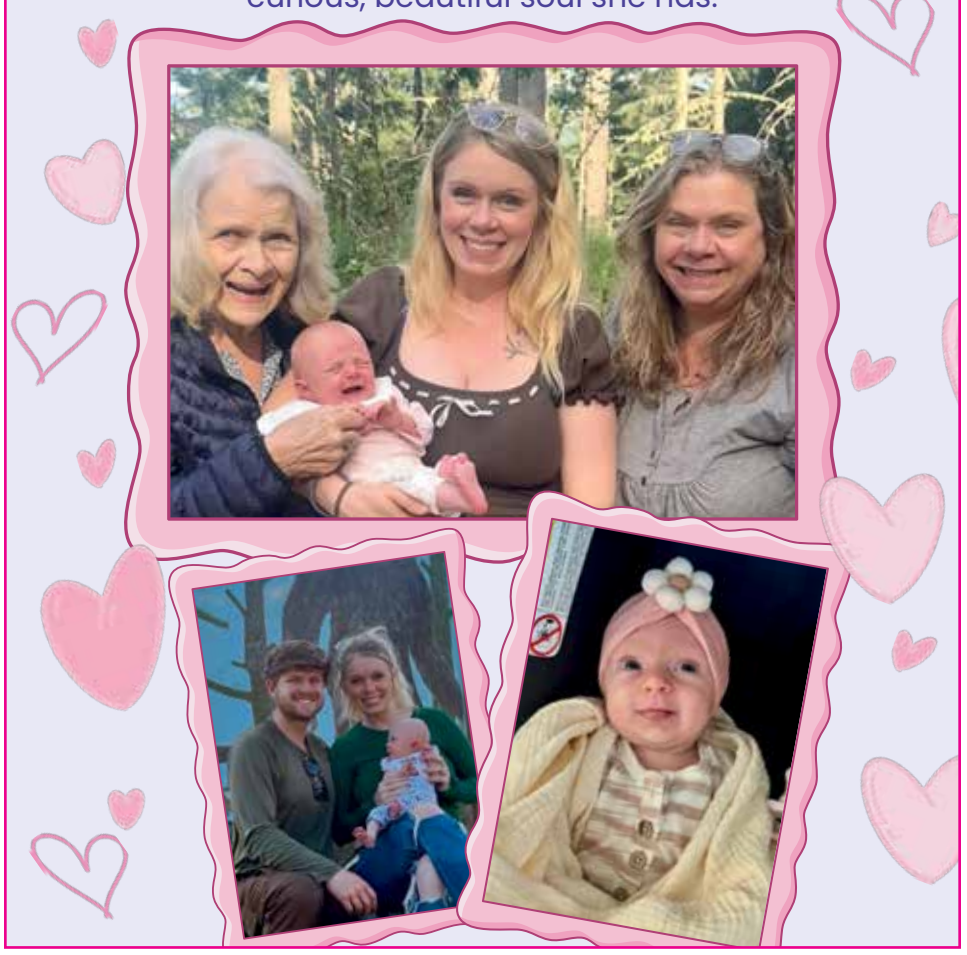
Naomi Bae Cloud

Morgan and Joshua Cloud welcomed their newest edition to the family, Naomi Bae Cloud -Miluk Coos on February 17, 2026 at 11:22 a.m., 8lbs 3oz and 22inches
Naomi is the baby sister to Ray and Jaren



Athena Dawn Jones

Athena Dawn Jones became earth-side on March 23, 2026 at 4:43 a.m., 6 lbs., 3 oz., 20.5 inches long.
Grace and Casey are honored and immensely grateful to bring another life into this tribe and watch her grow into the curious, beautiful soul she has.



New Provider Joins Three River Health Center June 1, 2026

Contributed by Iliana Montiel, Deputy Chief Officer of Health Operations

Hi there! My name is Jennie Schenk and although I have been in Oregon for a few short years, I originally hailed from Oconomowoc Wisconsin. I am a dedicated Nurse Practitioner who enjoys providing care to patients of all ages, with a passion for children's and women's health. My goal is to create a welcoming, supportive environment where patients feel heard, respected, and confident in their care.

I am a healthcare professional with over 30 years of diverse clinical experience across multiple care settings, including hospitals, outpatient clinics, pulmonary and sleep medicine, tribal health facilities, and frontier clinics. Extensive background in delivering patient-centered care to varied populations, with additional experience in long-term care environments. Known for adaptability, broad clinical expertise, and commitment to improving patient outcomes across both urban and underserved communities.

I have three children and two dogs, and I spoil them all. Although I have several hobbies such as snorkeling, white-water rafting, and kayaking, my favorite is spending time in the kitchen. I make homemade pickles every year around August when the fresh dill is perfect.

Looking forward to meeting everyone,

Please call me Jennie





Tribal Council Upcoming Dates

Regular Council Meeting *June 14th at 10:00 a.m.*	*Regular Council Meeting* *October 11th at 10:00 a.m.*
Regular Council Meeting *July 12th at 10:00 a.m.*	*General Council Meeting* *October 11th at 1:00 p.m.*
Regular Council Meeting *August 9th at 10:00 a.m.*	*Regular Council Meeting* *November 8th at 10:00 a.m.*
Regular Council Meeting *Sept 13th at 10:00 a.m.*	*Regular Council Meeting* *Dec 13th at 10:00 a.m.*

Business Council Meetings are held on the last Wednesday of the month, and begin at 6:00 p.m. pst

CTCLUSI Community Center
338 Wallace Avenue,
Coos Bay, OR 97420

Join by Zoom link by logging in to the Citizen Portal of
www.ctclusi.org

Full list of Tribal Council Regular and Business Meetings avaialbe in the Citizen Portal

Elders Corner

ELDERS TRIP
GRAND RONDE ELDERS DAY

Sunday July 12 - Monday, July 13, 2026

SPIRIT MOUNTAIN CASINO
27100 SW SALMON RIVER HWY, GRAND RONDE, OR 97347

COME IN YOUR RIBBON SKIRT OR RIBBON SHIRT!!

CALL BARBARA BLACK @ 541-888-7520 TO RSVP

RSVP BY JUNE 9, 2026

TRANSPORTATION IS PROVIDED. SPACE IS LIMITED

MORE DETAILS/AGENDA TO COME

Drug and Alcohol Free Event

CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF COOS, LOWER UMPQUA & SIUSLAW INDIANS

HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION

Welcome New

Tribal Elders

Tammy Rankin-Conover

Leann James-Cook

Supplemental Security Income Program for Elders

On December 18, 2026 Tribal Council approved Resolution 25-217 to Increase the Tribal Elders Pension and Supplemental Security Income beginning on January 1, 2026. Tribal Elders aged 65 and up are eligible for this $1,000 monthly supplemental security Income.

An application form is required. The form can be found on the Tribal Government website or using this web address ***https://laserfiche.ctclusi.org/Forms/Elder-Supplemental-Security-Income***

Need assistance filling out your application or have questions about the program?

Contact the Enrollment Department today at 541-435-7178.

ELDERS TRIP
LEAVENWORTH,WA

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2026 - THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2026

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2026

- 09:00 AM • PICK UP AT FLORENCE CASINO. MTRWESTERN CHARTER BUS.
- 10:00 AM • PICK UP IN EUGENE, OR (TBA)
- LUNCH - TBA
- 6:30 PM • ARRIVAL AT HAMPTON INN, 301 WARD STRASSE, LEAVENWORTH WASHINGTON, 98826

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2026

- BREAKFAST- HOTEL CONTINENTAL
- ADVENTURE PARK (ALPINE COASTER/ MINING SLUICE)
- LUNCH -
- SHOPPING DOWNTOWN LEAVENWORTH
- DINNER (TBA)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2026

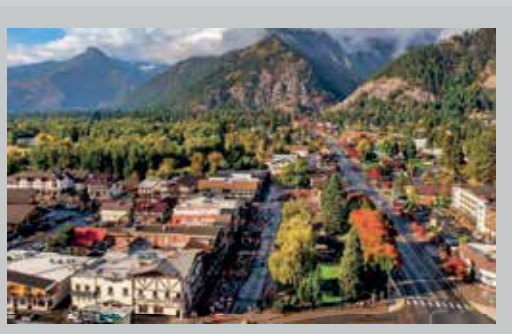
- BREAKFAST - HOTEL CONTINENTAL
- NUTCRACKER MUSEUM
- LUNCH- RENIASSANCE CAFE
- GREATER LEAVENWORTH MUSEUM
- DINNER (TBA)
- LEAVENWORTH SUMMER THEATRE 2.5 HOURS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2026

- BREAKFAST CONTINENTAL
- DEPART LEAVENWORTH, WA
- ARRIVAL IN EUGENE
- ARRIVAL FLORENCE (TRHC)

CALL BARBARA BLACK @ 541-888-7520
TRANSPORTATION IS PROVIDED. SPACE IS LIMITED
DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE EVENT
CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF COOS, LOWER UMPQUA & SIUSLAW INDIANS HEALTH SERVICE DIVISION
HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION

ELDERS TRIP–
LEAVENWORTH , WASHINGTON



MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2026 - THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2026

PLEASE RSVP BY JULY 3, 2026

LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE

CALL BARBARA BLACK @ 541-888-7520

PLEASE CONSIDER FOR TRIP:

- THIS IS A LONG CHARTER BUS TRIP. 9 HOURS
- THERE WILL BE A LOT OF WALKING, INCLUDING UP AND DOWN STAIRS. ELEVATOR MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE.
- TRIBAL MEMBER, IF BRINGING A GUEST (NON-SPOUSE) PAYS FOR ALL MEALS AND ACTIVITIES.
- SOME AREAS, MAY NOT HAVE A NEARBY BATHROOM OR SITTING AREA. (FOR SHOPPING ON FRONT STREET.)
- MUST BRING CAREGIVER, IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE.
- DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE.

CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF COOS, LOWER UMPQUA & SIUSLAW INDIANS HEALTH SERVICE DIVISION
HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION

2027 TRIBAL CALENDAR

CALL FOR PHOTOGRAPHS

Your Photo.
Our Culture.
Our Story.



Submit your photo for an opportunity to have your work featured in the upcoming 2027 Tribal Calendar

Submission Deadline: September 11, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. pst

Scan the QR code for the complete submission guidelines, rules, and entry instructions

Questions? Contact Morgan Gaines | mgaines@ctclusi.org | 541-888-7536

Hands of Harvest Farmers Market Program: Coos Bay & Eugene

Expanded into the **Lane County Farmers Market** and Coos Bay Farmers Market!



Apply at the link provided:
https://laserfiche.ctclusi.org/Forms/Hands-of-Harvest

Link Open & Close Dates:

2nd Distribution:
June 29th - July 17th

Available Date:
July 27th



3rd Distribution:
August 16th - September 4th

September 15th

Program Eligibility: Per Household

Enrolled CTCLUSI Tribal Member (Widow/Widower)
Parent or Guardian of Enrolled CTCLUSI Tribal Member/s within household

This is a first-come, first-serve system and funding is limited to availability.

Tribal Member Accomplishment

Carson McMahan Recognized for Excellence

Tribal student Carson McMahan was recognized for having a 3.5 or higher GPA throughout middle school at the Fremont Middle Schools Evening of Excellence.
Carson is excited to start Roseburg High School as a freshman next year, playing sports and taking honors level courses. His parents, Melinda Sprague, Kaitlyn McMahan and Daniel McMahan are so incredibly proud of his accomplishments and commitment to hard work on the field and in the classroom.



Carson McMahan

2nd Distribution for the Hands of Harvest Program Opens June 29th and Closes on July 17th

Scan QR Code to open and fill out Hands of Harvests Application Form.
First-come, first-served system!
Be sure to apply as soon as possible if you are interested in utilizing the Farmers Market Program.

Fitness Program Deadline January – June 2026

Hello Tribal families,

This is a friendly reminder that all fitness submissions for the first half of the year are **due by July 17th, 2026**. This means any gym/sports/activity receipts you have been saving must be emailed to fitnessprogram@ctclusi.org no later than the date in bold.

If your receipts do not get submitted by this date they will not be eligible for reimbursement, so please be sure to submit them on or before July 17th, to ensure you get your full reimbursement back.

Thank you so much for your cooperation in making this a smooth process for everyone!

For further information, please email your questions to fitnessprogram@ctclusi.org or contact Kimmy Bixby at 541-744-1334.

CTCLUSI Represented at Washington D.C. Tribal Caucus



Tribal Council member Ashley Russell and Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Courtney Krossman pictured a top the Department of the Interior Building



The CTCLUSI Flag represented at the National Museum of the American Indian, Washington D.C.



Read full Regulated Closure Order at right. Also available online is the CTCLUSI Forest Districts Map and the Forest Access Policy. To view these documents please visit https://ctclusi.org/forest-management/

June 5, 2026, Tribal Council member Ashley Russell and Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Courtney Krossman were sponsored by the West Coast Ocean Alliance to represent CTCLUSI alongside the other coastal Tribes represented in the Tribal Caucus in Washington D.C. to advocate for our Ocean Resources and encourage Tribal Management of resources. They were able to meet with Oregon State Delegates, agencies like NOAA and USFWS and the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs among a few other congressional committees.

Krossman shared that she is “super proud of the work and advocacy of all of the Pacific Coastal Tribes and was happy to be selected to be one of my Tribes representatives, alongside Ashley for this trip!”

CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF COOS, LOWER UMPQUA AND SIUSLAW INDIANS TRIBAL GOVERNMENT

1245 Fulton Avenue - Coos Bay, OR 97420
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Regulated Closure Tribal Forest

Due to increasing fire danger and the potential for loss and damage to Tribal resources from wildfire, the following Tribal Forest **Regulated Closure** is issued effective June 1st 12:01 AM. The **Regulated Closure** is implemented at the start of fire season and the Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL) is declared at Level 1.

- Motorized and non-motorized travel is permitted across the roads listed below for the limited purpose of accessing private and public lands that remain open to public use.
- All Public Access is Prohibited on the Tribal Lands, including parking and recreational use
- Tribal Members and their Families, Employees and Approved Contractors have access to the lands, but are required to carry basic fire tools that meet the IFPL Level 1 Requirements.
  - ✓ No Fires
  - ✓ 1 round pointed shovel at least 8 inches wide, with a handle at least 26 inches long
  - ✓ 1 axe or Pulaski with 26 inch handle or longer
  - ✓ 1 fire extinguisher not less than 5 pounds rated ABC.
- Please refer to the Tribal Forest Access Policy on the website for additional information related to specific Tribal Forest Tracts and restrictions that may apply during fire season.

This **Regulated Closure** shall remain in effect until it is withdrawn by the Forest Lands Manager. In the Situation where the IFPL is increased to a Higher Status, additional communication will be distributed.

Current IFPL & Public Use Restriction levels can be determined by calling the appropriate number as listed below, or by visiting:
http://gisapps.odf.oregon.gov/firerestrictions/ifpl.html

Tribal Forest Area	Fire Protection Responsibility	Fire Protection	Contact for Latest IFPL Level
Lake Tract	ODF — Western Lane District	WT-1	(541) 935-2222
Smith Tract	ODF — Western Lane District	WT-1	(541) 935-2222
Tioga Tract	Coos Fire Protection Association	CS-2	(541) 267-1789
Macy Tract	Coos Fire Protection Association	CS-1	(541) 267-1789
Umpqua Eden	Coos Fire Protection Association	CS-1	(541) 267-1789
Coos Head	Coos Fire Protection Association	CS-1	(541) 267-1789
Talbot Tract	Coos Fire Protection Association	CS-1	(541) 267-1789

Affected Areas include:

- Lake Creek Road (Lake Tract)
- Prairie Mountain Road (Lake Tract)
- Mill Pond Road (Lake Tract)
- East Fork Spencer Creek Road (Smith Tract)
- Coon Creek Ridge Road (Smith Tract)
- Johnson Creek Ridge Road (Smith Tract)
- Burnt Creek Ridge Road (Tioga Tract)
- Bastendorf Beach Road (Coos Head)
- Coos Head Road (Coos Head)
- Coos Head Loop (Coos Head)
- Chicken Loop Road (Coos Head)

- The Forest Lands Manager may issue waivers to this closure order. Such waivers shall only be valid if they are in writing, dated, and carried by the person(s) having been granted the waiver. Waivers shall expire at the end of fire season, unless a shorter term is specified in the waiver. Waivers are revocable at any time.

Thank you for helping to protect CTCLUSI's Tribal Forest. Please contact the Director of Forest Management, Ryan Bronson, at (541) 530-9038 or rbronson@ctclusi.org if you have any questions or concerns.

5/29/26

Ryan Bronson — Date
Director of Forest Management

Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country Program Launches with Delicious and Fun Salmon Canning Event

Contributed by Dennita Antonellis-John, GHWIC Project Coordinator

COOS BAY – The Three Rivers Health Center Hull St. Location hosted the Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country's very first community event, Salmon Canning, on May 30, 2026. This demonstration featured instructors from the Oregon State University's extension services and blended hand-on skill building with food and cultural teachings about salmon. CTCLUSI cultural teachings were provided by Jesse Beers, Cultural Stewardship Manager with Department of Culture and Natural Resources.



The demonstration and location offered a warm, welcoming, and also practical space where everyone could learn not just about a sacred relative, salmon, but also safe canning techniques while reconnecting through food and shared Indigenous values. The Chinook salmon itself was caught in the ocean by Tribal spouse Jeremy McGinness.



This Food as Medicine activity session sparked momentum for increasing household food security for Three Rivers Health Center patients and Native community members. Attendees shared, "I'm going to leave here wanting to can everything!" and reflected, "I was always intimidated by canning... now that I know where I can reliably find instructions... I'm ready to go!"

Others shared, "I'm not a CTCLUSI tribal member but being closer to another tribe while I'm away from home is healing." And, "I was hesitant to come to this event, and I am so glad I did, I am so excited about food preservation!" Nearly every survey featured memories of Ancestors: Great-Grandmother, Grandmother, Mothers and Aunties.

Beyond the hands-on learning, this event's cultural integration was strong and intentional. Traditional foods, intergenerational participation, and teachings about respect for the lands and animal relatives were featured throughout the half-day event. Curiosity for conversation opened up important space for learning about CTCLUSI's tribal heritage, lands, history, languages, and place. Cookbooks in all of the Tribes' languages, diabetes care, sacred tobacco, and Clinic resources were available alongside a tasty brunch and raffle.

This supported relationship building, paired with stories, lessons, and cultural wealth CTCLUSI offers to the community, is important to cultural integrity, language preservation, historical remembrance, respect for the ecosystems that support everyone, and advanced food sovereignty capabilities through shared laughter, tradition, and joy.

Come join us on July 11th and 12th for "Food as Medicine" a two-day Sacred Kitchen Workshop where you will discover the gut-healing power of traditional broths, fermented foods, and more. We look forward to seeing you there.



If You Need to Talk, the 988 Lifeline is Here



At the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline, we understand that life's challenges can sometimes be difficult. Whether you're facing mental health struggles, emotional distress, alcohol or drug use concerns, or just need someone to talk to, our caring counselors are here for you.

You are not alone.

The 988 Lifeline is for everyone. Through the 988 Lifeline, you have access to free, quality, one-on-one assistance. Skilled, judgment-free counselors provide compassionate support. You deserve to feel heard and cared about anytime, anywhere, 24/7/365. Learn more online at https://988lifeline.org/

Dial or Text 988

CTCLUSI Amongst Nine Federally Recognized Tribes of Oregon Representatives During Dedication Ceremony at State Capitol



The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians (CTCLUSI) Cheif Doug Barrett and Tribal Council member Julie Siestreem pictured at right with fellow leaders from the nine federally recognized Tribes in Oregon on May 26, 2026 to help dedicate the opening of the Oregon State Capitol Plaza in Salem.

Representatives from seven of nine federally recognized Tribes in Oregon reflected on the past and hoped for the future during the dedication ceremony for the Capitol Plaza, where the words of their respective ancestors are engraved into the new landscape. A collection of 11 natural boulders are scattered throughout the revamped plaza and chiseled with inspiration from tribal leaders, elders, and culture bearers. The installation is titled “Oregon Voices”.

Pictured top right from left are Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Vice Chair Carlos R. Calica; Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Chief Jefferson Greene; Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Chair Cheryle A. Kennedy; Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians Chair Carla Keene; Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians Chair Delores Pigsley; Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians Councilor Julie Siestreem; Coquille Indian Tribe Chair Brenda Meade; Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation Chair Brigham; and Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians Chief Doug Barrett.

Councilor Julie Siestreem and Chief Doug Barrett spoke words of gratitude and honor for all of the artists whose work were chosen to be included in the permanent installation (see cover photo).

Pictured at right, Warren Brainard and Chief Doug Barrett stand in front of one of the art installations. This etched stones installed around the capitol building held a quote of our ancestor; “Look on the good things of this world. Think of things as good and clean as the sky above.”

-Annie Miner Peterson, hanis/miluk coos culture bearer



CTCLUSI Dental Team Represented at the Community Health Aide Program (CHAP) Symposium

Contributed by Rachel Crawford, Dental Assistant II

In April, Three Rivers Health Center Dental Clinic employees Dr. Mary Williard, MeAnnDa Wallage, and Rachel Crawford had the opportunity to attend the 2026 National CHAP Symposium in Billings, Montana. The Northwest Portland Area Community Health Aide Program (CHAP) trains and certifies Community Health Aides to provide culturally appropriate medical, dental, and behavioral health services in tribal communities.

The trip was both inspiring and rewarding. The Symposium provided an excellent opportunity to meet new people, build relationships, and exchange ideas with tribal members and leaders from across the country. It was exciting to learn that many tribes are interested in implementing CHAP in their communities. This reflects an ongoing commitment to improving healthcare access while improving health outcomes in tribal communities.

Members of the Crow Nation celebrated their rich cultural traditions and heritage by displaying cultural artifacts and through drumming and dancing. Attendees were encouraged to participate in a circle dance.

MeAnnDa Wallage and Rachel Crawford were honored in a blanket ceremony. Dr. Williard, Three Rivers Health Center Dental Director, and Kariann Kuntzleman, Executive Director of the American Dental Therapy Association, presented them with their blankets. MeAnnDa and Rachel were honored for their participation in the Pacific Northwest’s first Primary Dental Health Aide (PDHA) classes. PDHA’s are federally certified through the CHAP to deliver preventive and basic oral health care in American Indian and Alaska Native communities.

“The Community Health Aide Program (CHAP) is a multidisciplinary system of mid-level behavioral, community, and dental health professionals working alongside licensed providers to offer patients increased access to quality care in tribal communities.”

“The vision of CHAP is a health system that is rooted in cultural knowledge and practices to strengthen the quality of life for future generations.” Community Health Aide Program | Indian Health Service (IHS)



Dr. Williard (pictured second from right)amongst panelists at the CHAP Symposium



From left to right: Sasha Rauschert, Rachel Crawford, Maison McCoy, MeAnnDa Wallage, Natalie Montoya.
(Not pictured, Elizabeth Wymer- CTCLUSI Tribal Member)

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COOS BAY JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Department	Job Title	Status	Age	Starting Wage
Special Events	Depends on Assignment ⁂	OC	14+	Depends on Assignment
Health Services	Clinical Pharmacist	FT	18+	$127,874/yr - DOE
Health Services	Community Health Nurse*	FT	25+	$83,430/yr - DOE
Health Services	Certified Pharmacy Technician	FT	18+	$27.00/hr - DOE
Health Services	Pharmacy Biller	FT	18+	$24.65/hr - DOE
Maintenance	Janitor*	FT	25+	$22.30/hr - DOE
Health Services*	Revenue Cycle Manager* ⁒	FT	21+	$117,913.52/yr - DOE
Health Services	Physician – Family Medicine*	FT	25+	$270,000/yr - DOE
Planning	Mobile Services Specialist*⁂	PT	25+	$24.00/hr - DOE
Health Services	Nurse Practitioner*	FT	26+	$124,656/yr - DOE

FLORENCE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Department	Job Title	Status	Age	Starting Wage
Special Events	Depends on Assignment ⁂	OC	14+	Depends on Assignment
Planning	Mobile Services Specialist*⁂	PT	25+	$24.00/hr - DOE

EUGENE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Department	Job Title	Status	Age	Starting Wage
Special Events	Depends on Assignment ⁂	OC	14+	Depends on Assignment
Planning	Mobile Services Specialist*⁂	PT	25+	$24.00/hr - DOE

*Position requires a valid driver's license and ability to be insurable by CTCLUSI's insurance agency.
⁒ This position is listed as a hybrid position for Coos Bay with remote aspects.
⁂ This position is posted for various locations. Please see the job posting for more details.

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: 06/15/2026

National Love is Kind Day, July 27th

Circles of Healing would like to raise awareness for National Love Is Kind Day, which is on July 27th. This is a day for all survivors of abuse to celebrate their freedom and independence from the person(s) who hurt them.

National Love Is Kind Day encourages you to consider how you treat people and how people treat you. No one wants or deserves to be hurt by the people they love.

On July 27th, we ask everyone to consider how they are treating the people around them, and how they are being treated. Please remember that love is kind.

If you or a loved one are experiencing or have experienced Domestic Violence, please reach out to the Circles of Healing team. We are here to help.

To reach a confidential Advocate, call 541-294-8624





Upcoming Events

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

July 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	1 CTCLUSI Field School	2	3 Independence Day Observed All Tribal Offices Closed	4 Independence Day
5	6	7	8	9 Culture Committee Meeting TBD 4pm	10	11 Food as Medicine Day 1 - Coos Bay, 12pm Student Recognition Language Ceremony Coos Bay 11am - 3pm
12 Food as Medicine Day 2 - Coos Bay, 10am Elders Trip - Grand Ronde Regular Council Meeting 10:00 am	13 Elders Honor Day	14	15	16	17 Fitness Program Reimbursement Deadline Local Canoe Journey	18
19 Local Canoe Journey Family Pull & BBQ	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Hands of Harvest Voucher Program 2nd Distribution Applications Open	28	29 Business Council Meeting 6:00 pm	30	31	1

August 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 Continental Breakfast Sponsored by Tribal Council 9:30 a.m. Storytelling & Open Mic Sponsored by Culture Coalition 10:30 a.m.
2 Salmon Ceremony baldija (Coos Bay)	3 Salmon Remains Return (Umpqua)	4 Salmon Remains Return (Siuslaw)	5	6	7	8
9 Regular Council Meeting 10:00 am	10	11 Elders Trip - Leavenworth, WA.	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 30	24 31	25 Summer Culture Camp	26	27	28	29

hiisəch hai – with a good heart

NATIVE SON CELLARS RECEIVES GOLD

Native Son Cellars 2024 Pinot Noir was selected for a gold medal, earning 91 points, by Savor NW Wine Competition. Their 2024 Chardonnay and Pinot Gris, each won a silver medal.

Native Son's 2024 line-up was the first bottling season for the newly established business, owned by Brad, Kelley and Kerry Brainard. They just completed their 2025 bottling of white wines, and will bottle their 2025 red wines, late this summer.

"We only entered three of our wines and they all won! In retrospect, we wish we had entered all five of our varietals (to include the Rose of Pinot Noir and our Cabernet Sauvignon)."

SavorNW Wine Awards showcases the best of the Pacific Northwest wines. They are one of the largest annual wine competitions that includes Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Alaska and British Columbia.

All wines are evaluated in a blind judging by three person panels including some of the top wine professionals in the Northwest including wine writers, buyers and experts.

SavorNW.com will feature a review of each gold winner, highlighting their tasting notes in the next few weeks.

Native Son Cellars is the signature wine served at the Bonfire restaurant at Three Rivers Casino & Resort in Florence, or you can visit the gift shop, and take home a bottle or two.



Need a Ride?

If you live within our five-county service area and need help accessing public transportation, please contact **Kathy Perkins at 541-888-9577 ext. 7550** or email **kperkins@ctclusi.org**

For Coos County Tribal Members

All ***CTCLUSI Tribal Members*** can ride ***CCAT public transportation*** services free of charge. This benefit includes all regularly scheduled public transit routes.

Please note that **demand-response services**, such as **Dial-a-Ride**, are available only to riders who are **65 years of age or older** or who have a qualifying disability. Assistance with the application process is available if you would like to apply for these services.

When boarding, please present your **Tribal ID** to the driver to receive your free fare benefit.



