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**1. Arizona Election Dates**

Don't forget these important election dates coming up:

Voter Registration Deadline for General Election - Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

Early Voting for General Election begins - Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>

General Election - Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>

For real-time election results, please visit:

<https://results.arizona.vote/elections/-103/0/2016-primary-election/featured-races>

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2. Applications Sought for Game and Fish Commission - September 30, 2016

The Governor's Office is currently accepting applications for the Arizona Game and Fish Commission. Governor Doug Ducey is seeking members who are well-informed and passionate about Arizona wildlife and its long-term conservation. In accordance with Arizona law, the Game and Fish Commission is required to be politically-balanced and representative of all 15 counties. Therefore, this Commission vacancy is NOT available to registered residents of Apache, Coconino, Pima or Yuma counties. Residents of all other counties - Cochise, Gila, Graham, Greenlee, La Paz, Maricopa, Mohave, Navajo, Pinal, Santa Cruz and Yavapai - are eligible and encouraged to apply.

To apply, please visit:

[Boards and Commissions Application](#)

For further information about the Arizona Game and Fish Commission and its mission, please visit: www.azgfd.gov/commission or contact the Governor's Office of Boards and Commissions at 602.542.2449

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**3. First Nations Agriculture and Food Systems Scholarship Program - Deadline October 5, 2016**

First Nations Development opened the application period for the third year of its "First Nations Native Agriculture and Food Systems Scholarship Program" that aims to encourage more Native American college students to enter the agricultural sector in Native communities.

First Nations will award 10 scholarships of \$1,000 each to Native American college students majoring in agriculture and related fields, including but not limited to: agribusiness management, agronomy, animal husbandry, aquaponics, environmental engineering, fisheries and wildlife, food production and safety, food-related policy and legislation, food science and technology, horticulture, irrigation science, nutrition education, and sustainable agriculture or food systems.

For more information, please visit or call:

[www.firstnations.org/grantmaking/scholarship](http://www.firstnations.org/grantmaking/scholarship)

Kendall Tallmadge at [ktallmadge@firstnations.org](mailto:ktallmadge@firstnations.org) or (303)774.7836 x216

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4. Arizona's Supreme Courts Job Openings

The Arizona Supreme Court's Administrative Office of the Courts is pleased to announce the following openings. We seek your assistance in filling these positions through your referral to qualified individuals who may be interested.

For more information about the organization or so apply, please visit:

www.azcourts.gov

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**5. Job Announcement: AZ Department of Education: Education Program Specialist - September 20, 2016**

AZ Department of Education - Flagstaff location

Salary: \$39,983 - \$55,000

Job ID: AUN06579

Close date: 09/20/16

The Arizona Department of Education Certification Unit is seeking an Education Program Specialist. Job duties include: Assist with the traditional and alternative path Educator Preparation Program (EPP) approval process, Maintain processes, forms, web pages, and communication for the review and approval of EPPs, Train and oversee program review teams and write review reports, Monitor the electronic submission process for EPPs, Provide technical assistance, information, and resources to individuals and applicants for Alternative pathways and general certification requirements, Promote the process of alternative EPP at school sites, Prepare and provide training and presentations to Local Education Agencies (LEAs) in the development, implementation, and evaluation of Title II-A programs,

Conduct on-site visits as necessary to build LEA capacity and support Highly Effective Teachers and Leaders (HETL) initiatives, Provide professional learning and technical assistance to LEAs regarding expenditure of Title II-A funds, Input of data into the Highly Qualified Teacher application, Support development of Continuous Improvement Plans, Interpret state and federal authorizing legislation, guidelines, and rules., Respond to requests from internal and external stakeholders, Collaborate with other ADE divisions and other governmental agencies, Serve on task forces or committees, and In-state and out-of-state travel required for this position.

Benefits include: a robust and affordable insurance plan to include medical, dental, life, short-term and long-term disability option, a top-ranked retirement program with 100% employer matched contribution, 10 paid holidays per year, accrued vacation and sick days and an incentivized commuter club and public transportation subsidy program.

For more information and to apply, please visit:

<https://azstatejobs.azdoa.gov/> and enter the Job ID in the search box

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6. FY 2017 US 7955 Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program (RMAP) - Deadline September 30, 2016

The purpose of this program is to support the development and ongoing success of rural microentrepreneurs and micro enterprises by providing loans and grants to microenterprise development organizations (MDOs) for the provision of microloans to rural microenterprises and microentrepreneurs. In addition, this program provides business-based training and technical assistance to rural microborrowers and potential microborrowers, and other such activities as deemed appropriate by the funding agency to ensure the development and ongoing success of rural microenterprises.

Microenterprises are generally defined as businesses that employ ten people or fewer and require financing of \$50,000 or less. These businesses must expend funds in rural areas outside cities or towns with populations of less than 50,000. Loans will cover a maximum of 75 percent of the project costs, and must have a fixed interest rate.

For more information, please visit:

http://gn.ecivis.com/GO/gn_grantDetailExt/EMAILUUID/FBD6CE40-1855-48A6-90B5-57705888CC56

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**7. FY 2017 Species Recovery Grants to Tribes - Deadline October 24, 2016**

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) recognizes the unique importance of many protected species to tribes and values ongoing efforts by tribal nations to conserve and protect species under NMFS' jurisdiction. NMFS is authorized to provide Federal assistance to tribes to support conservation programs for marine and anadromous species under its jurisdiction. This assistance, provided in the form of grants, can be used to support conservation of endangered, threatened, and candidate or proposed species, as well as post-delisting monitoring of recovered species. Proposals that address the recovery of one of the following critically endangered species are encouraged this year and will be considered a priority for funding: Atlantic salmon, white abalone, Cook Inlet beluga whales, Hawaiian monk seals, Pacific leatherback sea turtles, and southern resident killer whales.

Funded activities may include development and implementation of management plans, scientific research, and public education and outreach; proposals should address priority actions identified in an Endangered Species Act (ESA) Recovery Plan or address a NMFS-identified regional priority or need. Only federally recognized tribes and organizations of federally recognized tribes, such as the Alaska Eskimo Whaling Commission, that have delegated authority to represent a federally recognized tribe on matters relating to ESA listed, candidate, or proposed species, are eligible to apply. Proposals focusing on listed, candidate, or proposed species of Pacific salmon or steelhead will not be considered for funding under this grant program; such projects may be supported through the Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund.

For more information and application please visit:

<http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=286803>

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8. American Indian and Alaska Native Early Head Start Expansion - Deadline December 12, 2016

The Administration for Children and Families solicits applications from public or private non-profit organizations, including community-based and faith-based organizations, or for-profit agencies that wish to compete for funds that are available to provide American Indian and Alaska Native Early Head Start Expansion services to infants, toddlers, pregnant women, and their families. Funds in the amount of \$5,000,000 will be available to provide American Indian and Alaska Native Early Head Start Expansion program services to eligible infants, toddlers, pregnant women, and their families. Interested applicants may email the OHS Operations

For more information, please contact or visit the link below:

The Center at OHS_Tech@reviewops.org or Shawna Pinckney at (888)242.0684
www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=287554

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**9. Digital Language Resources and Archiving Workshop - September 19-20, 2016**

Huhugam Heritage Center  
4 759 N. Maricopa Road, Chandler, AZ 85226  
Gila River Indian Community

Registration fee: \$120 (includes continental breakfast, lunch, refreshment breaks and workshop materials)

Registration deadline is September 9th

The American Indian Language Development Institute is conducting a two day workshop that will focus on the basics of developing digital language resources and principles of developing digital archives. You will be able to evaluate your tribal language's current digital presence as well as engage with community members, academics, experts and tribal archivists working in communities to develop and use digital language resources for preservation, teaching and repatriation of linguistic and cultural materials.

For more information on how to register and sending registration fee please visit:

<http://aildi.arizona.edu/digital-2016-archive>

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10. Unique Mentoring Opportunity for Small Business Owners - September 21, 2016

When: Wednesday, September 21, 2016 from 5:30pm-8pm

Location: Seed Spot

2828 N Central Ave, 7th Floor, Phoenix, Arizona 85003

A Free Round Robin Small Business event with Accion and The Hartford! On Wednesday, September 21st, aspiring and existing small business entrepreneurs in Phoenix will have the chance to attend the Round Robin Small Business event from 5:30-8:00 p.m. at SEED SPOT.

Share the essential ingredients for business success by referring your clients and friends!

At this event, entrepreneurs will have the opportunity to have their questions answered by local industry experts. The event will feature breakout-coaching sessions on key topics including: financing your small business, industry trends, insuring and protecting your business, social media and marketing.

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**11. DLA Workshop: Dare to Dream - Live the Life You Always Imagined - September 22, 2016**

When: Thursday, September 22, 2016 8am - noon (registration begins 7:30am)

Location: Estrella Mountain Community College presented by Traci Bogan

3000 N Dysart Rd, Avondale, AZ 85392

Cost: free

In this session, you will gain access to a unique perspective on life and be inspired by Traci's intrinsic and diverse universal life lessons from backpacking through 54 countries. Find out how this exciting world adventure transformed Traci's life and can TRANSFORM yours through the power of acceptance and living your authentic empowered life.

Traci Bogan is the world's first Dreampreneur and leading expert on goal mastery and self-empowerment. She has backpacked 75,000 miles, in six continents, through 54 countries. Traci has made a career of putting herself front and center to show others how to break through their fears and achieve their boldest goals and most daring dreams through her books, workshops, and coaching programs.

To register, please visit:

<http://www.diversityleadershipalliance.net/BookingRetrieve.aspx?ID=270019>

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12. Arizona Indian Education Association (AIEA) Youth Conference Call for workshops - Deadline September 23, 2016

Conference date: Tuesday-Wednesday, November 29-30, 2016

Location: University of Arizona, Student Union in Tucson, Arizona
1303 E. University Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85719

Theme: I AM Ready - College, Career, and Culture

Deadline: Presenter forms due by Friday, September 23, 2016 5pm

The Arizona Indian Education Youth Conference will provide information to motivate and encourage American Indian youth an opportunity to gain knowledge and skills to achieve their academic and career goals. The conference is intended for American Indian youth ages 12-19 years old.

Objectives and activities for youth: Bring awareness of a variety of career and college major options to youth, Prepare youth for higher education and become oriented to a University, inspire American Indian youth to embrace and utilize their unique cultural background in their scholarship.

Workshops: 45 minutes long, A laptop, LCD projector and screen will be provided, If providing handouts, bring at least 25 copies for participants, Workshop rooms will have tables and chairs, classroom style, A moderator will be provided for each workshop to assist the workshop presenter, serve as a timekeeper, and administer workshop evaluation forms and Presenters will receive confirmation via email if their proposal is accepted for presentation at the youth conference

If you are interested in becoming a presenter, please contact Melodie Lopez:
(520) 477-1878 or IndigenousStrategies@gmail.com

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**13. O'odham Veterans Celebrations - September 24, 2016**

When: Saturday, September 24, 2016

Location: 3456 W Casa Blanca Rd, Bapchule, AZ

To all Gila River Veterans and Families please join us for the O'odham Veterans celebration. Traditional blessing will begin at 5:30am. Celebration will include guest speakers, service providers and lunch.

For more information, please contact:

Douglas Juan 520.315.3441 x1976

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14. 7th Annual Hopi Festival: Hopi Native Arts and Cultural Festival - September 24-25, 2016

When: Saturday-Sunday, September 24-25, 2016 from 9am-5pm

Location: Heritage Square, Aspen Street, Flagstaff, AZ 86001

Between Leroux Street and San Francisco Street

The first Market in 2010 was started to help artisans to sell their art and crafts following a major recession, and to introduce their way of life and rich culture to the public. The Hopi Festival brings to Flagstaff public education by way of art, traditional social dances and traditional foods. This event aims to bring the City of Flagstaff together with surrounding neighbors to learn from one another in unity, happiness and stewardship of the earth for all people of different walks of life.

For more information on event activities and vendor/sponsor registration, please visit:
<http://www.hopiallnativefestival.com/>

For questions, please contact Lisa Talayumtewa, Hopi Festival Coordinator:
(928) 522-8675 or lisa.talayumtewa@htedc.net

15. The Key to Keep Families Together Seminar - September 27, 2016

When: Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at 10am - noon
Location: Phoenix Burton Central Library
122 N Central Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85004
Keynote speaker: Albert M. Pookey
Price: free

The Native American Fatherhood & Families Association is hosting a seminar designed to encourage and promote responsible fatherhood, motherhood and the strengthening of families. Topics include: fatherhood involvement, strengthening relationships, addressing family violence and Grandparents Raising Grandchildren.

To register, please visit:
<http://nativeamericanfathers.org/event/the-key-to-keep-families-together-seminar/>

For more Seminar information, please contact Native American Fatherhood & Families Association:
480.833.5007 or seminar@aznaffa.org

16. First Things First Tribal Consultation - September 27, 2016

Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at 10am-3pm
Hyatt Regency Phoenix
122 N. 2nd St., Phoenix, AZ 85004
Tribal Leader Registration deadline: Tuesday, September 6, 2016
First Things First values the input of Arizona tribal governments. We respectfully invite all tribal leaders and their designee to join us in dialogue on crucial topics impacting children birth to 5 years old and their families.

View Tribal Leader Registration form and other supporting documents at:
<http://www.azftf.gov/tribalconsultation/Pages/default.aspx>

For questions, please contact:
Candida Hunter 602.771.5034

17. AZ American Indian Veterans Town Hall and Benefits Presentation - October 12-13, 2016

When: Meet & Greet Reception on Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at 5:30pm-6:30pm
Town Hall & Benefits Presentation on Thursday, October 13, 2016 at 7am - 5pm
Location: WeKoPa Resort, 10438 N. Fort McDowell Road, Fort McDowell, AZ 85264
Price: Veterans and Family members Registration - free
Veteran and Family lunch: \$11.50
General Attendee Registration (Lunch included): \$80
General Attendee Registration on or after 10/05/16 (lunch included): \$160

The Governor's Office on Tribal Relations (GOTR), in partnership with the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services (ADVS), the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council and the Arizona Coalition for Military Families, announces the Arizona American Indian Veterans Town Hall and Benefits Presentation to be held at the WeKoPa Resort and Conference Centers on October 12-13, 2016.

We have created an incredible program to address health and human service issues, workforce development, and public safety issues that impact tribes and other stakeholders in the state of Arizona. The agenda is currently being finalized, which includes numerous outstanding speakers and officials. The

GOTR believes your involvement in this two-day event would be of great value to the conference and very beneficial to the participants.

The focus of the American Indian Veterans Town Hall and Benefits Presentation is to provide an interactive and idea sharing conference for veterans, government agency representatives, tribal leaders and service providers interested in providing the quality of life for American Indian veterans and their families.

We invite you to attend this significant gathering.

To register or for more information, please visit:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2016-az-american-indian-veterans-town-hall-and-benefits-presentation-tickets-26825008322>

For questions or to volunteer, please contact:

602.542.4426 or email gotrinfo@az.gov

Opportunities to support the event are available! <https://2016veteranstownhallsponsorship.eventbrite.com>

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**18. Business Mentorship and Certifications Workshop - October 13, 2016**

When: Thursday, October 13, 2016 at 3pm - 5pm

Location: Univision Studios

6006 South 30<sup>th</sup> St, Phoenix, AZ 85042

Workshop Price: AZHCC Member: \$10, AZHCC Non-member: \$20, Student Ticket (must show student ID): \$5

Mixer Price: Member: free, Non-member: \$10

The Arizona Hispanic Chamber of Commerce: Latina Business Enterprise is hosting this workshop to help define the important role of mentorship for both career planning and business entrepreneurship. In is instrumental in navigating the roadblocks to success.

Stay after for mixer 5:30pm - 7:30pm to enjoy drinks, food and networking.

To register, please visit:

<http://www.azhcc.com/events/Latina-Business-Enterprise-Group-655/details>

To RSVP for mixer, please visit:

<http://www.azhcc.com/events/Contactos-After-5-Mixer-654/details>  
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19. Navajo Nation Law CLE Conference - October 28, 2016

When: Friday, October 28th at 8am-5:15pm (Check-In at 7:30am)

Location: Beus Center for Law and Society at Arizona State University

111 E. Taylor Street, Phoenix, AZ 85004

Early Registration by 5pm on October 7: \$200

Regular Registration by 5pm on October 26: \$250

Walk-In Registration by 8am: \$275

The Indian Legal Program at the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law presents this conference that will offer a survey of legal issues in employment law, professional responsibility, financing transactions, Navajo and Federal case law updates, as well as an examination of the Treaty of 1868, the federal assimilation policy and the Navajo jury system. It is ideal training for tribal court advocates, tribal court practitioners, tribal court prosecutors, tribal court defenders, tribal council members, Indian law attorneys and attorneys practicing on and near the Navajo Nation Reservation, tribal liaisons, government legislators, Navajo Nation Bar members, law students, as well as teachers/professors and students of American Indian studies.

For more information or to register please visit:
[Register](#)

For questions please contact Danielle Williams at:
480.965.2922 or danielle.williams.1@asu.edu

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**20. 13th Annual "Fatherhood is Leadership" National Conference - November 2-4, 2016**

When: Wednesday, November 2-4, 2016  
Location: Double Tree Hotel by Hilton Hotel  
2100 S Priest Drive, Tempe, AZ 85282  
Early Registration September 2<sup>nd</sup>: \$390  
General Registration Sept. 3 - Nov. 4: \$415  
Certified NAFFA Facilitator Discount: \$25 off

If you work in the field of Family Services, Criminal Justice, Child Welfare, Health and Human Services we invite you to attend an extraordinary conference focusing on Fatherhood, Motherhood, and Keeping Families Together! This two and a half day conference will offer 16 diverse and topic relevant workshops that will provide skill building, professional growth, networking opportunities and a unique educational experience.

Featured keynote speakers include: Frantz Beasley President/Co-Founder AZ Common Ground, William Mendoza Executive Director of the White House Initiative on American Indian and Alaska Native Education, and Albert M. Pooley President of Native American Fatherhood and Families Association.

To register or for more information regarding event and hotel, please visit:  
<http://nativeamericanfathers.org/event/fatherhood-is-leadership/>

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