## **Community Resource Guide**

Prepared by Mount Sanford Tribal Consortium



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# Health Care, Wellness, & Social Services

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## MOUNT SANFORD TRIBAL CONSORTIUM

Name of Organization/Provider: Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium (MSTC)

Physical Location & Mailing Address: <u>Medical clinic & main office</u> located at MP33 Tok Cutoff; P.O. Box 357, Gakona, Alaska, 99586

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday @ 9:00am-4:00pm; Closed

<u>Saturday & Sunday</u>

Main Phone Number(s): 907-822-5399 (office landline); 907-822-3280 (clinic landline)

Call 9-1-1 for emergencies. Leave a message.

Fax: <u>907-822-3944 (clinic fax)</u>

Contact Email Address: Fill-out contact information form on website.

Website Address: <a href="http://www.mstc.org/">http://www.mstc.org/</a>

Description of Organization/Provider:

Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium (Kelt'aeni) is a tribal consortium of the federally recognized Tribal Council of Chistochina. The consortium was established on June 26, 1992 to advance and protect common interests of the descendants of the Upper Ahtna indigenous people.

Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium provides acute and chronic care services within the clinics through a committed staff of Community Health Aides, Dental Health Therapist, and a Nurse Practitioner.



## **CROSS ROAD MEDICAL CENTER**

Name of Organization/Provider: <u>Cross Road Medical Center</u>

Physical Location/Address: Mile 186.5 Glenn Highway, P.O. Box 5, Glennallenn, Alaska 99588-

005

Hours of Operation: Mon./Tues./Wed./Fri. = 9am-5:30pm; Thursday = 9am-6:30pm;

Sat./Sun. = Closed

Main Phone Number(s): Medical: ph (907) 822-3203; fax (907) 822-5805

Pharmacy: ph (907) 822-3336; fax (907) 822-5376

Administration: ph (907) 822-5686; fax (907) 822-5684

Contact Email Address: info@crossroadmc.org

Website Address: <a href="https://crossroadmc.org/">https://crossroadmc.org/</a>

Description of Organization/Provider:

Motivated by God's love, Cross Road Health Ministries offers patient-centered medical care at our three clinics in Glennallen, Delta Junction, and Grizzly Lake. We offer numerous services, and welcome all of our community members as well as visitors. While we encourage appointments, walk ins are always welcome and emergency care is available.

<u>Pediatric Care. Family Practice. Men's Health. Women's Health. Full-Service Pharmacy.</u> <u>Radiology.</u>



## TANANA CHIEFS CONFERENCE (TCC) UPPER TANANA HEALTH CENTER

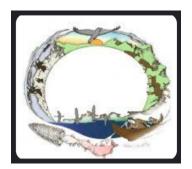
Name of Organization/Provider: <u>Tanana Chiefs Conference Upper Tanana Health Clinic</u>

Physical Location/Address: Mile 124.5 Tok Cutoff

Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday: 8am-4:30pm; Saturday/Sunday: Closed

Main Phone Number(s): (907) 883-5855 or 1 (800) 478-5185

See FaceBook Page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/UpperTananaHealthCenter/">https://www.facebook.com/UpperTananaHealthCenter/</a>





## **NORTH COUNTRY CLINIC**

Name of Organization/Provider: North Country Clinic / Grizzly Lake Community Health Center

Physical Location/Address: Mile 53 Tok Cut-off, Grizzly Lake, Alaska, 99586

Hours of Operation: Tuesday & Thursday, by appointment only

Main Phone Number(s): 907-822-3937

Fax: <u>907-895-6288</u>

Website Address: <a href="http://www.crosroadmc.org/">http://www.crosroadmc.org/</a>

Description of Organization/Provider:

Cross Road Health Ministries, Inc. is a not-for-profit Christian ministry committed to providing health care in Christ's name. Cross Road Medical Center has been serving the residents of the Copper River Valley since 1956, North Country Clinic has served residents along the Tok Cut-off since 2002, and Interior Alaska Medical Clinic has served Delta Junction since 2014.

Family Practice; Laboratory and Radiology Services

Payment Method: Tri-Care, Medicare, Medicaid; Denali Kid Care; Sliding Fee Scale



## **INTERIOR MEDICAL CLINIC**

Name of Organization/Provider: Interior Alaska Medical Clinic

Physical Location/Address: <u>2730 Alaska Highway, Delta Junction, Alaska 99737</u>

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday: 9am-9pm; Saturday: 10am-5pm; Sunday: Closed

Main Phone Number(s): Medical: ph (907)895-6233; fax (907)895-6288

Pharmacy: ph (907)895-6244; fax (907)895-6246

Administration: ph (907)822-5686; fax (907)822-5684

Website Address: <u>https://crossroadmc.org/delta-junction/</u>

#### Description of Organization/Provider:

We provide medical services to Delta Junction and the surrounding communities. We also welcome visitors from outside of our area, so please know if you are visiting our area we can assist you. Walk-ins are always welcome. We offer a variety of services, including: Pediatric care, Family practice, Men's Health, Women's Health, Geriatric care, DOT physicals, Childhood and adult vaccinations, Disease management and treatment of chronic conditions, Sports physicals, Wellness exams, Behavioral Health, Radiology, Full-service pharmacy, After hours emergency assistance

If you need something that you don't see listed above, please call and ask if we can help.

Our staff include physician assistants, registered nurses, medical assistant, pharmacists and trained laboratory and radiology personnel.

We accept Medicare, Medicaid and most insurance. Ask for details about our incentive for same day cash payment.



## FAMILY MEDICAL CENTER

Name of Organization/Provider: Family Medical Center

Physical Location/Address: 2360 Remington Road, Delta Junction, Alaska 99737

Hours of Operation: Monday – Thursday: 8am-5pm; Friday: 8am-12noon; Saturday/Sunday:

Closed

Main Phone Number(s): (907)895-5100

Contact Email Address: <a href="mailto:frontdeskmc@gmail.com">frontdeskmc@gmail.com</a>

FaceBook Page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057635641641">https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057635641641</a>

Description of Organization/Provider: Family Medicine



## ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM (ANTHC)

Name of Organization/Provider: Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC)

Physical Location/Address: 400 Ambassador Drive, Anchorage, Alaska, 99508

Main Phone Number(s): 907-563-2662 (Main)

Contact Email Address: anthcwebsite@anthc.org

Website Address: <a href="https://www.anthc.org/">https://www.anthc.org/</a>

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...

Go to the website for links to these publications:

## **Publications**



## Mukluk Telegraph

Alaska Native health news and information from the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



## ANTHC Publications

Miscellaneous publications by ANTHC programs



ANTHC Annual Reports

Summary report and ANTHC highlights for each year



#### **About Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium**

The Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium is a nonprofit Tribal health organization designed to meet the unique health needs of Alaska Native and American Indian people living in Alaska. In partnership with the Alaska Native and American Indian people that we serve and the Tribal health organizations of the Alaska Tribal Health System, ANTHC provides world-class health services.

Our work includes comprehensive medical services at the Alaska Native Medical Center, wellness programs, disease research and prevention, rural provider training and rural water and sanitation systems construction.

ANTHC is the largest, most comprehensive Tribal health organization in the United States, and Alaska's second-largest health employer with more than 3,000 employees offering an array of health services to people around the nation's largest state.

**Our Vision:** Alaska Native people are the healthiest people in the world.

**Our Mission:** Providing the highest quality health services in partnership with our people and the Alaska Tribal Health System.



Founded: 1997

**Service population:** More than 180,000 Alaska Native and American Indian people living in Alaska

ANTHC staff: 3,138

Total ANMC specialty clinic visits: 170,335

Total ANMC inpatient discharges: 7,916

Total ANMC surgical cases: 16,113

Babies born: 1,427

**ANMC specialty services:** 36

Behavioral Health Aides certified: 83

CHAPs trained in 2020: 66

Homes with first-time water services since 1998: 2,500

















#### What we do

#### Specialty medical care at ANMC

The Alaska Native Medical Center (ANMC) operates a state-of-the- art, 173-bed hospital providing comprehensive medical services to Alaska Native and American Indian people\*. ANMC was Alaska's first Level II Trauma Center, is a Level II Pediatric Trauma Center and a Comprehensive Pediatric Emergency Center and shared the American Hospital Association's Carolyn Boone Lewis *Living the Vision* Award with the Alaska Tribal Health System.

#### **Healthy Homes and Communities**

Healthy homes and communities are the foundation for improving the health of Alaska Native people. ANTHC's services include planning, design, construction and operations support for public health infrastructure and utilities throughout Alaska. Through our work, ANTHC provides sustainable public health solutions and protects the health of Alaska Native people in their home communities.

#### Healthy People and Prevention

ANTHC offers preventative health services and programs to elevate the health status of Alaska Native communities. We partner with statewide Tribal health organizations to offer wellness programs for chronic diseases such as diabetes and liver disease, while encouraging healthy choices through education and services in tobacco prevention, injury prevention, and traditional food and nutrition.

#### Health Research and Data

Our health research and data work analyzes trends and develops solutions for priority health problems. ANTHC's work includes research from the Alaska Native Epidemiology Center and clinical research in the U.S. Tribal health system.

#### Health Technology and Telehealth

ANTHC's health technology and telehealth services allow health care professionals to work together in the Tribal health system to provide quality care and increased access for Alaska Native people. Telehealth videoconferencing provides access to the highest quality health care providers and specialists in regional or urban centers not usually available in rural areas, and helps make patient care more efficient by reducing the wait time, travel time and expense of specialty care and follow-up visits.

#### Health Training and Education

ANTHC helps retain and recruit the best health care providers for the Alaska Tribal Health System through its commitment to health training and education. We support the statewide Community Health Aide Program, the nationally-recognized Dental Health Aide Therapist program and the statewide Behavioral Health Aide program. Additional scholarship programs, provider residency training and internships ensure the future growth of our health system.

#### **Health Advocacy**

ANTHC works with many partners, lawmakers and advocates to build a unified health system that achieves the highest quality services. ANTHC staff provides trainings, resources and navigation services to Tribal health partners and individuals to support the health of Alaska Native people and the Alaska Tribal Health System.

#### Healthy Alaska Natives Foundation

The Healthy Alaska Natives Foundation works to raise awareness and funding to further ANTHC's vision. Proceeds from HANF's fundraising work supports three key initiatives: improvement of medical care, wellness and prevention, and healthy village environments.

\*The Alaska Native Medical Center is jointly owned and managed by the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium and Southcentral Foundation.

#### Learn more at www.anthc.org!

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## **ALASKA NATIVE MEDICAL CENTER (ANMC)**



Name of Organization/Provider: Alaska Native Medical Center (ANMC)

Physical Location/Address: 4315 Diplomacy Drive, Anchorage, Alaska 99508

Main Phone Number(s): 907-482-2662 (Main) or 855-482-4382

Patient Experinece Contact Email and Phone: <a href="mailto:customercontact@anthc.org">customercontact@anthc.org</a> and 907-729-3990

Website Address: https://anmc.org/

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website:

## Alaska's best care and personal services

The Alaska Native Medical Center (ANMC) offers comprehensive medical services and acute, specialty, primary and behavioral health care to Alaska Native and American Indian people living in Alaska. ANMC is also home to one of America's most unique health care environments — a place where the highest quality care and cutting-edge technology meets special cultural and traditional services and customer experiences.

The award-winning medical center includes a 182-bed hospital, a full range of medical specialties, primary care services and labs. The ANMC hospital houses Alaska's first Level II Trauma Center and is also a Level II Pediatric Trauma Center. The hospital also works in close partnership with rural health facilities statewide to support a broad range of health care and related services.

The Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium and Southcentral Foundation jointly own and manage ANMC. These parent organizations have established a Joint Operating Board to ensure unified operation of health services provided by the Medical Center.



TINITUN: HELPING YOU FIND YOUR WAY AROUND THE ALASKA NATIVE HEALTH CAMPUS

#### **SUPPORT**

APP STORE DOWNLOAD

WAY FINDING FROM YOUR COMPUTER

**PRIVACY POLICY** 

## Tinitun: helping you find your way around the Alaska Native Health Campus



Tinitun, pronounced, "tin-ee-toon" is the Dena'ina word for "trail: major passageways of human movement". This name is used with permission from the Eklutna Tribe as a way to acknowledge the people and culture of the Dena'ina, whose land the Alaska Native Health Campus is situated, while also describing the app's function: connecting patients with their health care using modern technology. The app's multiple capabilities, as well as the acknowledgment that all paths are different and based on individual choices, are underscored by the tagline "Pathways to Health".

#### Support

For app support or if something looks incorrect, please email Tinitun@anthc.org.

#### Available in the app store

Right now we support iOS or Android.



Wayfinding Directions from your computer

Access wayfinding from your web browser

## **SOUTHCENTRAL FOUNDATION**



Name of Organization/Provider: Southcentral Foundation

Physical Location/Address: Mt. Ahklun Building @ 4501 Diplomacy Drive, Anchorage, Alaska,

99508

Hours of Operation: 8:00am - 5:00pm; Monday - Friday

Main Phone Number(s): 907-729-4955 (Main) or 800-478-3343 (Toll Free)

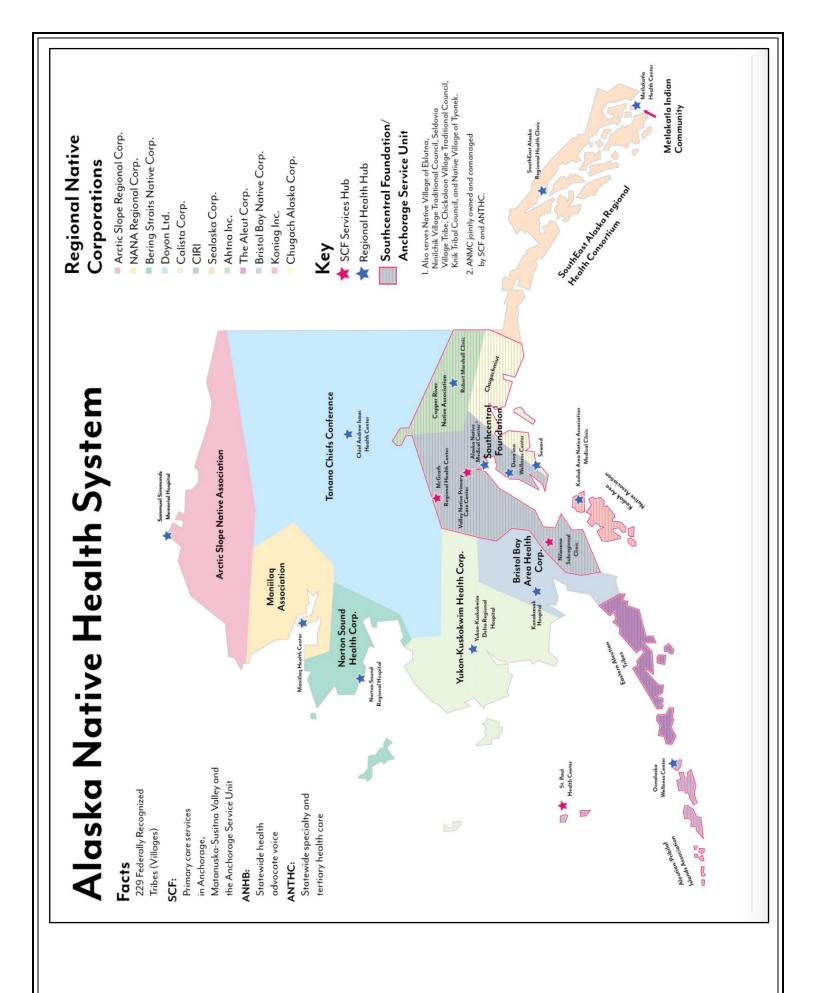
Additional Contact Information: https://www.southcentralfoundation.com/contact/

Website Address: <a href="https://www.southcentralfoundation.com/">https://www.southcentralfoundation.com/</a>

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...

### WHO WE SERVE

We offer a wide range of health and wellness services for Alaska Native and American Indian people living in Anchorage and the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, and nearby villages. We also provide regional support to residents of 55 rural villages in the Anchorage Service Unit, a geographical area stretching 107,400 square miles across Southcentral Alaska – extending from the Canadian border on the east to the Aleutian Chain and Pribilof Islands on the west.



#### LOCATION

#### **Anchorage and Mat-Su Valley**

Southcentral Foundation provides primary health and related services to more than 55,000 customer-owners in Anchorage and the Mat-Su Valley.

#### **SERVICES / SUPPORT**

Full access to all services, including primary medical care, dentistry, optometry, complementary medicine, physical therapy, fetal alcohol syndrome prevention, substance abuse treatment, domestic violence prevention, diabetes prevention, suicide prevention, residential treatment for pregnant women, residential treatment for adolescents, psychiatry, mental health counseling, traditional healing, home health, health education, youth mentorship and Elder programs. Additional program eligibility criteria may apply.

#### **Cook Inlet Region Villages**

Chickaloon, Knik, Eklutna, Kenai Service Area, Ninilchik Service Area, Seldovia, and Tyonek.

Access to all Anchorage-based services. It is best to arrange an Anchorage Native Primary Care Center visit through your village clinic, but you may also contact the provider who visits your village. We support local primary care delivery by village providers through funding, consultation, and regularly scheduled on-site clinical services serving more than 5,000 customer-owners.

#### **Anchorage Service Unit Villages**

55 villages including Eyak (Cordova), Chitina, and villages connected with Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium, Copper River Native Association, Kodiak Area Native Association, Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association, Eastern Aleutian Tribes, and Chugachmiut.

Access to most Anchorage-based services. It is best to arrange an Anchorage Native Primary Care Center visit through your village clinic, but you may also contact the provider who visits your village. We support local primary care delivery by village providers through funding, consultation, and regularly scheduled on-site clinical services serving more than 10,000 customer-owners. The regions may purchase additional services from Southcentral Foundation. An advisory group, the Village Services Management Team (VSMT), serves as a liaison between the organization and Alaska Native representatives from the ASU villages. The VSMT reports directly to our board of directors.

#### Statewide

The Alaska Native Medical Center is jointly owned and managed by the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium and Southcentral Foundation, and includes both the hospital and the Anchorage Native Primary Care Center. Most of the hospital services are available to the entire Alaska Native and American Indian population of the state.

Access to a few Anchorage-based services. Southcentral Foundation provides consultation to other regional tribal health care organizations along with offering specialty women's health, pediatrics, and dental health services and access to residential programs in Anchorage. Referrals for specialty care are made by the Alaska Tribal Health System's network of providers located in village clinics, community health centers, and regional hospitals.

#### **Outside of Alaska**

Toll Free: (866) 575-6757

#### ANHRA@southcentralfoundation.com

Interviews are conducted over the telephone. Customer-owners residing in the Seattle-Tacoma area can request an appointment to meet with ANHRAP staff at a designated location.

Alaska Native Health Resource Advocate Program. Created in 1997, the Alaska Native Health Resource Advocate Program (ANHRAP) was developed to meet the information and referral needs of Alaska Native people in the continental United States. ANHRAP assists Alaska Native people identifying, locating and connecting with appropriate and available health, social, educational, legal, employment, disability, treatment, housing and other related programs and/or services.

## **COOK INLET TRIBAL COUNCIL (CITC)**



Name of Organization/Provider: Cook Inlet Tribal Council (CITC)

Physical Location/Address: 3600 San Jeronimo Drive, Anchorage, 99508

Main Phone Number(s): 907-793-3600 or Toll-Free 877-985-5900

Contact Email Address: info@CITCI.org

Website Address: <a href="https://citci.org/about-citc/">https://citci.org/about-citc/</a>

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...

#### WHO WE ARE

Cook Inlet Tribal Council (CITC) is a tribal nonprofit organization serving Alaska Native and American Indian people residing in the Cook Inlet region of southcentral Alaska. As one of the nation's preeminent culturally responsive social-service organizations, we assist our people in reaching their often-untapped potential. We believe that when we work together, we can help each other develop our strengths and talents to become successful and self-sufficient individuals, families, and communities.

#### WHAT WE DO

Established in 1983, CITC serves more than 12,000 people each year through an array of integrated programs and employs more than 400 passionate and caring individuals. Our programs include education and youth services, employment and training services, career development, family preservation, and support for individuals recovering from addiction, substance abuse, or incarceration.

Through our subsidiaries The Alaska Native Justice Center and Clare Swan Early Learning Center, we address Alaska Native people's unmet needs within the Alaska civil and criminal justice system and support working families with child care through an Early Head Start curriculum.

## **SAMHSA: SCREEN 4 SUCCESS**

SAMHSA's mission is to lead public health and service delivery efforts that promote mental health, prevent substance misuse, and provide treatments and supports to foster recovery while ensuring equitable access and better outcomes.

5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857 1-877-SAMHSA-7 (1-877-726-4727) Parents & Caregivers



#### Screen4Success



#### Screening for Health, Wellness, and Wellbeing

Talking with your kids early and often about underage drinking and other drug use can help keep them safe. But how do you know if your child needs more support, and where do you go to find it? The answer is Screen4Success, a new, user-friendly tool from SAMHSA's "Talk. They Hear You." campaign designed to help parents and caregivers better understand the health, wellness, and wellbeing of their children and find resources to address their needs.

#### About the Campaign

The "Talk. They Hear You." campaign aims to reduce underage drinking and other substance use among youths under the age of 21 by providing parents and caregivers with information and resources they need to address these issues with their children early and often.

#### How does Screen4Success work?

Screen4Success asks questions about substance use, mental and physical health, general wellbeing, and family life. It provides an easy way for parents and caregivers to identify areas where their children may benefit from additional support. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to fill out the screener with their kids—this provides opportunities for discussion in the moment—but if that's not possible, they can send it to them to complete on their own.



#### How do I access Screen4Success?

You can access it on your mobile device through the <u>"Talk. They Hear You."</u> campaign mobile app. Download this mobile app for free on the <u>App Store</u> [2, Google Play [2, and the <u>Microsoft Store</u> [2]. You can find Screen4Success by selecting the Screening button from the app's main navigation.

Last Updated: 01/03/2023

#### Find support with Screen4Success!

Do you have concerns about your child's health, wellness, and wellbeing? If so, Screen4Success can help you better understand what's going on in their lives. This 10-minute screener will look for signs of elevated risk and help you find support to address their needs. The *Resources* section will provide you with recommended support services that are available in your area and at the national level.

## NATIVE WELLNESS INSTITUTE

Name of Organization/Provider: Native Wellness Institute

Physical Location/Address:

2830 Cleveland Drive, Gresham, Oregon, 97080

Main Phone Number(s): 503-666-7669 Fax: 503-669-8339

Contact Email Address: See the website contact page for email options.

Website Address: <a href="https://www.nativewellness.com/">https://www.nativewellness.com/</a>

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...



#### Goals & Objectives - Past, Present, and Future

Promoting the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual health of North America's Indigenous peoples is our labor of love. The goal of the Native Wellness Institute is to continue bringing about positive changes in the lifestyles, relationships, education, and overall wellness of Native Americans. As the Native Community's leading social-services resource, our current and future objectives focus on the following main areas:

- Healthy Relationships
- Youth Leadership and Development
- Adult Leadership and Development
- Workplace Wellness and Staff Development
- Strategic Planning and Program Development
- Community Wellness Gatherings, Retreats, and Training

#### We accomplish this goal by:

- Bringing together highly skilled Native trainers and consultants across the United States and Canada for conferences, workshops, and other projects;
- Implementing a leadership training initiative that will strengthen the circle and prepare Native people for leadership opportunities; and
- Developing programs and services to meet other areas of need that impact the physical, spiritual, emotional, and mental well-being of Native people.

#### Looking to the Future — the 7th Generation

Our elders have told us "be careful in the decisions we make today as they will impact the 7th generation- our grandchildren's grandchildren, grandchildren." Respect for this wisdom continues to guide us in our commitment to preparing Native youth for a brighter future. It is our cultural responsibility to prepare our young people to be positive, productive, and proactive members of their families and communities.

NWI strives to provide a process where our young ones can make a "head to heart" connection and understand the "why" of behaviors and how we can promote and maintain living by the "Warrior's Spirit" being positive, productive, and proactive. We know our ancestors are smiling with pride with our accomplishments in the present... and visions for the future.

## NATIVE AMERICAN FITNESS COUNCIL

Name of Organization/Provider: Native American Fitness Council

Physical Location/Address: P.O. Box 4468, Durango, Colorado,

81302

Main Phone Number(s): 928-774-3048

Contact Email Address: john@nativeamericanfitnesscouncil.com

Website Address: https://www.nativeamericanfitnesscouncil.com/index.html

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...

We're passionate about empowering fitness leaders in Native American communities.

NAFC was established in 2004 with the mission of empowering Native Americans through exercise education. The NAFC cofounders recognized a need for knowledgeable, passionate, and experienced Native American fitness instructors. But their vision didn't stop there: These dedicated professionals developed programs that teach people to train other Natives in proper exercise and healthy lifestyles.

Today, NAFC has educated — and inspired — thousands of individuals to become positive role models in their communities. Our <u>leaders</u> and <u>staff</u> are mostly Native Americans who understand the needs and learning styles of other Native Americans. NAFC has certified fitness trainers throughout the United States from the Seminole of Florida to the small Northwest & Alaskan tribes...from the Passamaquoddy of Maine to the Apache of the Southwest...and a whole lot of tribes in between.

## Safety & Protection

Name of Organization/Provider: Alaska State Troopers & Community VPSOs

#### **Contact Information:**

Dispatch: Non-Emergency Contact Information for Interior Alaska: (907) 451-5100				
POST LOCATION	PHONE NUMBER	FAX NUMBER	MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP
Anchorage/Headquarters	(907) 269-5511	(907) 337-2059	5700 E Tudor Road	99507
Cantwell	(907) 768-2202	(907) 768-2203	PO Box 28	99729
Delta Junction	(907) 895-4800	(907) 895-4026	PO Box 465	99737
Fairbanks	(907) 451-5100	(907) 451-3002	1979 Peger Road	99709
Glennallen	(907) 822-3263	(907) 822-5594	PO Box 26	99588
Palmer	(907) 826-2918	(907) 826-2919	PO Box 1277	99921
Tok	(907) 883-5111	(907) 883-4249	PO Box 335	99780



#### Description of Organization/Provider:

The Alaska State Troopers' eight core missions in meeting these responsibilities are:

- 1. Maintain public peace and order.
- 2. Enforce criminal laws and investigate violations of those laws.
- 3. <u>Enforce **traffic laws and regulations**</u> and investigate violations of those laws and <u>regulations</u>.
- 4. Conduct and manage search and rescue operations.
- 5. Support and assist other law enforcement and governmental agencies.
- 6. Investigate allegations of human abuse or neglect.
- 7. Respond to the **concerns and inquiries of citizens**.
- 8. Provide current and relevant training to law enforcement and criminal justice agencies.

# Tribal Connections

- → CHEESH'NA
- → MENTASTA TRADITIONAL COUNCIL
- → COPPER RIVER NATIVE
  ASSOCIATION (CRNA)
- → AHTNA

## **CHEESH'NA**

Name of Organization/Provider: <u>Cheesh'na Tribal Council</u>

Physical Location/Address: Office located at MP33 Tok Cutoff; P.O. Box 217, Gakona, Alaska,

*99586* 

Hours of Operation: Monday–Friday @ 8:00am-5:00pm; Closed for Federal & Tribal Holidays

Main Phone Number(s): <u>907-822-3503</u>

Contact Email Address: *Fill-out contact information form on website*.

Website Address: <a href="https://www.cheeshna.com/">https://www.cheeshna.com/</a>

#### Description of Organization/Provider:

<u>Cheesh'na Tribal Council (CTC):</u> Strengthening our culture and community by protecting our land and traditional values, and by empowering our people to be strong and healthy in mind and body.

<u>Services:</u> CTC offers tribal programs designed to enhance the quality of life, to promote economic opportunity, and to carry out the responsibility to protect and improve the trust assets of our tribal members. Services include: Tribal Enrollment, Tribal Court, Education & Scholarships, Burial Assistance, Emergency Assistance, Transportation/IRR Roads Program, Indian Environmental General Assistance Program, Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA), Health Wellness Services (see <a href="https://www.mstc.org">www.mstc.org</a>)



## COPPER RIVER NATIVE ASSOCIATION (CRNA)

Name of Organization/Provider: Copper River Native Association (CRNA)

Physical Location/Address: Robert Marshall Building

Mile 111.5 Richardson Highway, P.O. Box 383, Glennallen, Alaska

<u>99588</u>

Hours of Operation: CRNA Main Facility: Monday – Friday @ 8am-4:30pm

Primary Care: Monday/Wednesday/Friday @ 8am-4:30pm

Tuesday/Thursday @ 8am-5:30pm

Behavioral Health: Monday – Friday @ 8am=4:30pm

Closed the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month for village

services

Wellness: Monday-Friday @ 8am-4:30pm

Monday-Thursday @ 8am-6pm (Massage Therapy

**Appointments**)

<u>Dental:</u> <u>Tuesday – Friday @ 8am-6pm</u> <u>Pharmacy:</u> <u>Monday-Friday @ 9am-6pm</u>

Closed for lunch @ 12noon-1pm

AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY; Dial 911, or

Call: (907) 822-5241 to speak to an after-hours

<u>nurse</u>

Main Phone Number(s): Telephone: (907) 822-5241

Crisis Line: (907) 320-1520

Administrative Fax Line: (907) 822-8801 HIPPAA Compliant Fax: (907) 822-8804

Website Address: <a href="https://crnative.org/">https://crnative.org/</a>

Description of Organization/Provider:



#### - OUR PROMISE -

We the Ahtna T'aene Nene', inspired by our cultural values, will provide exceptional health services, child and youth development, and life-enhancing resources to empower all people in our region to thrive in every stage of life, from treasured infant to honored elder.

## <u>AHTNA</u>

Name of Organization/Provider: Ahtna Native Corporation

Physical Location/Address: 115 Richardson Hwy., Glennallen, 99588 or

110 West 38th Ave., Ste. 100, Anchorage, 99503

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Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...



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Our responsibility to the larger well-being of our people and culture continues to lead us to provide many key services and programs aimed at preserving our culture, developing our resources, protecting our land, enhancing the lives of our people, and maintaining a cultural identity that has existed for thousands of years.



# Learning & Education

- →What is a GOAN (Gathering of Alaska Natives)?
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## WHAT IS A GATHERING OF ALASKA NATIVES?



## **Gathering of Native Americans Fact Sheet**

This fact sheet, developed for American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) audiences and organizations serving Indian Country, provides an overview of the Gathering of Native Americans (GONA) curriculum. For Alaska Native villages, this curriculum is called a Gathering of Alaska Natives (GOAN).

#### What is a GONA?

A GONA is a culture-based planning process where community members gather to address community-identified issues. It uses an interactive approach that empowers and supports AI/AN tribes. The GONA approach reflects AI/AN cultural values, traditions, and spiritual practices.

The GONA focuses on the following four themes:

- Belonging—the GONA ensures that everyone feels welcomed in an inclusive, open, safe, and trusting environment
- Mastery—the GONA allows participants to take stock of how historical trauma impacts their communities and what fosters their resilience and holds them together
- Interdependence—the GONA initiates the planning process to assess resources and relationships, and to experience and strengthen interconnectedness
- Generosity—the GONA exercise of creating gifts to share with other participants symbolizes each participant's larger gift to their families and communities in helping to address and prevent mental and substance use disorders, prevent suicide, and promote mental health

The Tribal Training and Technical Assistance Center (Tribal TTA Center) conducts the GONA as an integral component of the TTA it provides. The GONA is designed to be adaptable so communities can tackle a variety of important issues. While envisioned as a 4-day event, amazing things can happen within a 2- or 3-day GONA. There have even been 1-day GONAs. The structure is designed as a 4-part process, rather than a 4-day process. The number of days a GONA is held varies based on community availability. The timeframe allows for maximum participation across multiple segments of the community.

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Community members participate in a GONA team-building activity.

Since it was developed in 1992, the GONA has been recognized as an effective culture-based intervention. The GONA starts the discussion on important issues identified by the community. In the time following the GONA, the real work begins—to develop, implement, and sustain strategic prevention activities and interventions that address the issues identified during the GONA.

The GONA is a journey of healing and transformation. It is as much about healing the past as it is about building the future. The GONA is a road map for the journey. The journey itself will need to be traveled by all members of the community. Ultimately, this journey is about reestablishing a safe, supportive, and nurturing community so Al/AN youth can thrive and grow up in balance.



December 2016

#### **Indigenous Theoretical Framework**

Our technical approach is built upon the indigenous theoretical framework of:

- Vision—acknowledging the effects of historical trauma, honoring cultural values, and developing a vision of success
- Circles of Relationships—building quality and authentic relationships for effective work
- Sense of Hope—focusing on interconnectedness, the sacredness of the inner spirit, balance, and the responsibility to be life-long learners¹

The GONA provides important pathways for this framework to unfold.



#### How Does a GONA Work

Community-based AI/AN trainers (adults, youth, and elders) and expert consultants facilitate the GONA by following its guiding principles. Skilled facilitators can safely and effectively lead a group through each day of the GONA by working to understand the community's issues and concerns in terms of their strengths. This process involves examining skills, abilities, knowledge, resources, and desires that can be used in some way to help meet the community's overall vision and goals for prevention.

#### Feedback from Communities

#### What I liked best about the GONA was...

"Hearing, creating, and sharing the conversation about suicide, prevention, and substance abuse"

"Working on community building and healing"

"We are addressing very important issues that needed to be addressed a long time ago"

"Developing a vision and working towards a common goal"

"Planning for the future"

"Use of our culture and cultural ways"

"Feeling connected with peers"
"I now can understand and help my friend"

"Laughing and working together"

"I will include it in my work and will keep the voice loud for the social causes and concerns"

<sup>1</sup> PrettyPaint, I. (2008). Miracle survivors: A grounded theory on educational persistence for tribal college students. Minneapolis, MN: University of Minnesota.

#### Who Should Participate?

A community-based GONA planning committee helps plan, prepare, conduct, and follow up on the action plans following the GONA. It is recommended that the committee include five to seven community members representing individuals, agencies, and programs from different categories, including:

- AI/AN youth and elders
- Health
- Education
- Law enforcement
- · Faith-based or traditional practices
- Tribal departments
- Economic sector

Committee members work closely with GONA facilitators to identify and include culturally appropriate values, traditions, and spiritual practices throughout the GONA. The committee develops recruitment plans and materials to invite AI/AN families, tribal leaders, social service staff, health care providers, law enforcement, school personnel, AI/AN youth and elders, traditional and faith-based organizations, and other prevention partners to attend the GONA. The committee also helps develop and monitor a budget for the GONA to cover costs, such as those for the meeting facility, materials and supplies, door prizes, and honoraria.



#### About the Tribal TTA Center

The Tribal TTA Center is funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The Tribal TTA Center uses a culturally relevant, holistic approach to deliver TTA on mental and substance use disorders, suicide prevention, and mental health promotion. TTA is offered to a broad audience of all tribal communities, a focused audience of SAMHSA tribal grantees, and an intensive audience of selected AI/AN tribes per year.

#### For More Information

Please visit the Tribal TTA Center's website to access past webinar recordings pertaining to the GONA and other helpful resources at http://www.samhsa.gov/tribal-ttac/resources/webinars.

To request more information about the Tribal TTA Center, the GONA curriculum, and consultants, or to submit a technical assistance request, call (301) 257-2967 or visit http://www.samhsa.gov/tribal-ttac.

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## UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS: ALASKA NATIVE & INDIGENOUS PROGRAMS



Name of Organization/Provider: <u>University Alaska Fairbanks: Alaska Native & Indigenous</u> Programs

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Website Address: <a href="https://www.uaf.edu/indigenous/index.php">https://www.uaf.edu/indigenous/index.php</a>

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...



Welcome to our world-class academic and <u>research</u> university. We acknowledge the Alaska Native nations upon whose ancestral lands our six campuses reside. In Fairbanks, our Troth Yeddha' Campus is located on the ancestral lands of the Dena people of the lower Tanana River. We are proud to be federally designated as an Alaska Native Serving Institution, with over 20 percent of our student body being Alaska Native and/or

American Indian. Since 1965, we have worked to develop and implement a broad array of <u>Alaska Native and Indigenous programs</u> aimed at supporting Alaska Native and Indigenous student success and focused on advancing the field of Indigenous studies.

With a growing number of Indigenous scholars and researchers serving among our faculty and staff, we are a premier global destination for <u>Alaska Native and Indigenous students</u>. Whether you are interested in Indigenous arts, language revitalization or knowledge systems, or simply want to attend a world-class research university that embraces Indigenous values and identity, you will find a home at the Troth Yeddha' Campus or one of our other <u>community campuses</u>. Please explore the <u>academic degree and job training programs</u> on this website and reach out to us to discuss how you can grow into your full potential as a scholar and leader at UAF.

# ALASKA NATIVE SCIENCE & ENGINEERING PROGRAM (ANSEP)



Name of Organization/Provider: Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program (ANSEP)

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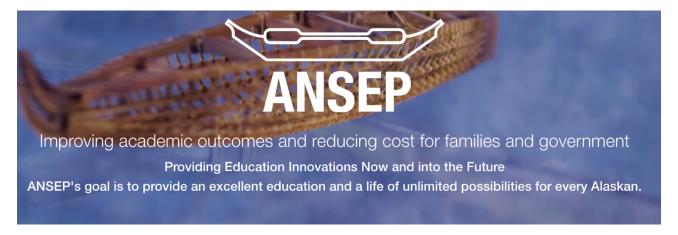
Fax: 907-786-1899

Contact Information: See website for specific contact information based on program

components.

Website Address: <a href="https://www.ansep.net/">https://www.ansep.net/</a>

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...





#### **ANSEP Opportunities**

ANSEP offers a wide variety of STEM opportunities for students from kindergarten through university.

ANSEP students can go from eighth grade to a Bachelor's degree in five years or less with Acceleration Academy!

Please review all the opportunities currently available.

## **ALASKA NATIVE LANGUAGE IMMERSION SCHOOLS**

Visit <a href="https://www.alaskanativelanguages.org/immersion-schools">https://www.alaskanativelanguages.org/immersion-schools</a>



### **Immersion Preschools**

Juneau

Juneau, AK

Recently, an Immersion Preschool started for Lingit.

**Cook Inlet Native Head Start** 

Anchorage, AK

See re: Ethan Petticrew

**Cook Inlet Tribal Council** 

Anchorage, AK

Program for 6mo-1yo

<u> Ilisazaqta Inupiaqtun Nome Inupiaq Immersion School</u>

Nome, AK

Kindergarten

<u>Nikaitchut Ilisaģviat Iñupiaq Immersion School</u>

Kotzebue, AK

Pre-K to 1st grade



#### **SEE FULL LIST**

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This website acknowledges the traditional territories of the many Indigenous Alaskan Nations that have lived in and taken care of the lands of Alaskas (Alaska) since time immemorial.

## WHAT IS TRIBAL COMPACTING OF EDUCATION?

Visit <a href="https://education.alaska.gov/compacting">https://education.alaska.gov/compacting</a>



#### State-Tribal Education Compacting



#### What is tribal compacting of education?

Compacting is a process through which the State of Alaska and an Alaskan Native Tribal entity reach an agreement that formally recognizes a Tribal entity's authority to operate and oversee K-12 schools. These State Tribal Education Compact Schools (STECs) would be public schools open to all students and would offer a unique, culturally rich combination of Western and millennia-old tribal educational models. An excellent education for every student every day is only a STEC away!

#### Tribal Compacting of Education: How did we get here?

In September 2016, Commissioner Michael Johnson and the Alaska State Board of Education & Early Development (State Board), recognizing the need for educational reform in Alaska, made changes to the Department of Education & Early Development's (DEED) mission and vision statements. Recognizing the critical need to improve students educational outcomes and overall well-being, they established five strategic priorities designed to better ensure an excellent public education for all of Alaska's students.

In April 2017, Commissioner Johnson and the State Board formally launched *Alaska's Education Challenge*. Nearly 100 Alaskans from all corners of the State, representing diverse backgrounds, interests and experiences, convened to work collaboratively in developing up to three recommendations for each of the State Board's five strategic priorities:

- 1. Amplify Student Learning
- 2. Ensure Excellent Educators
- 3. Modernize the Education System
- 4. Inspire Tribal and Community Ownership of Educational Excellence
- 5. Promote Safety and Well-Being

The committee that focused on Strategic Priority No. 4 (Inspire Tribal and Community Ownership of Educational Excellence) ultimately agreed on the following recommendation that the State Board later adopted:

Self-Governance Compacting: Create the option for self-governance compacting for the delivery of education between the State of Alaska and Tribes or tribally-empowered Alaska Native organizations.

#### Who benefits from State-Tribal Compact Schools?

Self-governance compacting for the delivery of education means that Tribes, or tribally empowered Alaska Native organizations, will have the opportunity to partner with the State of Alaska, to assume the responsibility (and receive the associated funding) to carry out educational programs, functions, services, and activities the State otherwise would be obligated to provide. Tribal entities will have the option to establish State-Tribal Education Compact Schools (STECs). In accordance with Alaska's constitution, these STECs will be public schools that are open to all students, Native and non-Native alike.

The conviction that local communities are best-situated to address the educational needs of their students is foundational to Alaska's system of education. Accordingly, we believe that if Tribes have greater ownership and local control over education, student outcomes in their communities will improve. As a result, all Alaskan students, and their communities, may benefit from having access to this additional, innovative educational pathway.



#### How will STECs be established?

At the 2019 Alaska Federation of Natives convention, Governor Michael Dunleavy joined the State Board and Commissioner Johnson in announcing his support for tribal compacting in education.

In so doing, this administration has affirmed the State's commitment to honor the relationship between tribal entities and itself, and has recognized the importance of that relationship in achieving to better educational outcomes for Alaska's students.

In July 2021, DEED announced a \$1 million grant to the Alaska Federation of Natives to scope tribal compacting of education in Alaska.

Under the agreement, AFN will:

- 1. Identify relevant federal and state laws and regulations;
- 2. Compile relevant material related to educating Alaska Native students;
- 3. Engage with Alaska Native leaders and subject matter experts on educational compacting options
- 4. Design of a comprehensive path forward
- 5. Design seminars for educators and administrators on the why and what of compacting
- 6. Participate in discussions with the State of Alaska and various committees of the Alaska State Legislature to respond to questions on the final pathway report.

The grant period runs through June 30, 2024 and is funded by the CARES and ARP Act Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund.

Legislative action that clearly sets forth the overall process for creating a pilot program to establish STECs will be the next critical step we must take together to inspire and establish greater Tribal ownership of educational excellence and to meet Alaska's Educational Challenge. Senate Bill 34 can be found here Alaska State Legislature (akleg.gov).

Check out the selected State Tribal Education Compact Demonstration Tribal Partnerships Grant Applications.

## UDALL FOUNDATION

Name of Organization/Provider: <u>Udall Foundation</u>



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Description of Organization/Provider: Fact Sheet 2023 available on website...

#### **Celebrating 20 Years!**

Our Legacy - Stories from the People We Serve. > MORE

The Udall Foundation, a federal agency, works to both strengthen the appreciation and stewardship of the environment, public lands, and natural resources and strengthen Native Nations to facilitate their self-determination, governance, and human capital goals.

#### About us

The Udall Foundation awards scholarships, fellowships, and internships for study in fields related to the environment and to American Indians and Alaska Natives in fields related to health care and tribal public policy; provides funding to the <u>Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy</u> and to the <u>Native Nations Institute</u> to conduct environmental policy research, research on American Indian and Alaska Native health care issues and tribal public policy issues, and training; and provides assessment, mediation, training, and other related services through the John S. McCain III National Center for Environmental Conflict Resolution (National Center or NCECR). To learn more about our work, read our Quarterly Stories.

#### **FACT SHEET 2023**



#### **ABOUT US**

The Morris K. Udall Foundation was established by the U.S. Congress in 1992 as an independent executive branch agency to honor Morris K. Udall's lasting impact on this Nation's environment, public lands, and natural resources, and his support of the rights and self-governance of Native Americans and Alaska Natives. In 2009, Congress enacted legislation to also honor Stewart L. Udall for his half century of distinguished national leadership in environmental and Native American policy. The agency is known today as the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation (Udall Foundation) and is headquartered in Tucson, Arizona.

#### **FUNDING**

FY 2023 Enacted - \$5.743 million

Environmental Dispute Resolution Fund \$3.943 million FY 2024 President's Budget - \$6.044 million

Trust Fund \$2.000 million Environmental Dispute Resolution Fund \$4.044 million

#### **PROGRAMS**

**Trust Fund** 

\$1.800 million

#### UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Since 1996, the Udall Foundation has awarded Scholarships to college sophomores and juniors for leadership, public service, and commitment to issues related to Native Nations or to the environment. Each August, newly selected Scholars convene for a five-day networking and skills-building conference called the Udall Scholar Orientation.

www.udall.gov/OurPrograms/Scholarship/Scholarship.aspx

#### Impact:

- 1,843 Scholars and 1,224 Honorable Mentions.
- 374 Colleges and Universities representing all 50 states; Washington, D.C.; Puerto Rico; and Guam.
- 93 Tribal Nations and Alaska Native Villages.
- \$9.975 million awarded.

#### NATIVE AMERICAN CONGRESSIONAL INTERNSHIP

Since 1996, the Internship has provided Native American and Alaska Native students the opportunity to gain practical experience with the Federal legislative process in order to understand firsthand the government-to-government relationship between Tribes and the Federal Government.

www.udall.gov/OurPrograms/Internship/Internship.aspx

#### Impact:

- 306 Native American and Alaska Native Interns.
- 107 Colleges and Universities representing 134 Tribal Nations and Alaska Native Villages.
- 70 participating Congressional and Agency offices.

#### JOHN S. McCAIN III NATIONAL CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION

Established by Congress in 1998 to help Federal agencies and other affected stakeholders improve collaboration and resolve environmental, public lands, and natural resources issues, conflicts, and disputes. Impartial services include situation assessments, conflict resolution, facilitated collaboration, and trainings to enhance project efficiency and cost savings, increase government capacity and the likelihood of avoiding litigation, and deliver better and more durable outcomes. It also assists parties to resolve environmental issues, conflicts, and disputes impacting Tribal and Native communities by strengthening government-to-government collaboration between Tribes and agencies.

www.udall.gov/OurPrograms/Institute/Institute.aspx

#### Impact:

- Over 840 cases, consultations, and trainings representing all 50 states; Washington, D.C.; Puerto Rico; American Samoa; and Guam.
- Approximately 30 Federal agencies assisted annually.
- In-house team of mediators and facilitators with access to hundreds of private-sector practitioners.
- In 100% of FY 2022 cases, stakeholders strongly agreed the National Center helped them determine how to best resolve their issue, conflict, or dispute.

# Business Development

- → ALASKA VILLAGE INITIATIVES
- → SMALL BUISINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER
- → STATE TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (STEP)

# **ALASKA VILLAGE INITIATIVES**

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Website Address: https://akvillage.org/

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...

Through the wisdom of our elders, the dreams of our youth and the vision of our parents, we embrace our cultures and strengthen our economies.

#### Who We Serve

Alaska Village Initiatives (AVI) is a non-profit membership-based company dedicated to improving the well-being of rural Alaska communities, families, and individuals. Formerly known as Community Enterprise Development Corporation of Alaska, the corporation was formed in 1968 to create new economic activities in distressed communities. Our organization has come a long way from 1968 when our first project was to finance a small co-op store housed in a log cabin in Manokotak. Alaska Village Initiatives now has over 170 member organizations, which in turn represent more than 50,000 rural Alaskans, and is controlled by a 14-member Board of Directors representing rural communities and organizations from across the state.

#### Our core activites

AVI provides services to socially-disadvantage Alaska Native farmers, ranchers, and other small-scale agriculture producers.

We support and provide Tribal Conservation Districts with NRCS application document assistance, Board and member training, conflict resolution, assisting in developing documents for USDA FSA funding programs and application process and creating marketing plans.

We provide technical assistance in developing business plans for our stakeholders, including agriculture business assistance, conservation best practices, and ranching opportunities.



# ALASKA SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Name of Organization/Provider: <u>Alaska Small Business Development Center (SBDC)</u>

Physical Location/Address: Offices statewide: See the website CONTACT US page > https://aksbdc.org/about/contact/

Website Address for Getting Started: <a href="https://aksbdc.org/getting-started/">https://aksbdc.org/getting-started/</a>

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...



# What the SBDC does...

The Alaska SBDC provides resources, advice, and assistance that help small businesses

grow and create measurable economic impact throughout Alaska. Assistance is provided by experienced business advisors and experts through no-cost on-site and/or online interactions and through no or very low-cost business workshops and training to clients.

No other program offers the same reach, resources, or opportunities to create an impact on businesses at every stage of development.

# STATE TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (STEP)

Name of Organization/Provider: <u>State Training and Employment Program (STEP): Alaska</u> Department of Labor & Workforce Development

Website Address: <a href="https://awib.alaska.gov/training-programs/step.htm">https://awib.alaska.gov/training-programs/step.htm</a>

Description of Organization/Provider: Visit the website for complete information...

#### STATE TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

The State Training and Employment Program is administered by the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Alaska Workforce Investment Board (AWIB) and funded by a set-aside from the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund. The purpose of STEP is to enhance the quality and make Alaska job training and employment assistance easily available to employers, employees, and future workers.

STEP fosters economic growth by preparing Alaskans with competitive, employable skills. The program benefits existing companies and attracts new businesses to Alaska by preparing a local workforce skilled in traditional, new, or emerging fields.

#### Benefits of the program

STEP targets adult worker who may be employed or employable, have worked in a job covered by unemployment insurance and who need training to improve their prospects for obtaining or retaining employment. Ideal participants are seeking skills to improve their current employment situation. The goal of STEP is to help self-motivate individuals with realistic goals gain essential skills for employment success. The benefit STEP participants realize as they move forward in their careers aided by STEP training is increased earning potential. Employers who invest in a skilled workforce gain a competitive edge in business and benefit from costs incurred in supporting unemployment insurance for those not working.

#### TRAINING PROGRAMS

The Alaska Workforce Investment Board (AWIB) Grants Unit partners with organizations within the industry to "build connections that put Alaskans into good jobs." The AWIB Grants Unit strives to aide in building a trained and prepared workforce by granting State and Federal funds to organizations, non-profits, State entities, and for profit organizations for the purpose of providing training programs in Alaska.

- Alaska Construction Academies
- Alaska Technical Vocational Education Program (TVEP)
- Apprenticeships
- State Training and Employment Program (STEP)
- WIOA Youth

#### **Grant Opportunities**

• <u>EGrAMS</u>

# Activities

# & Events

#### Calendar of Healthy Community Events: Join the Fun!

**Note:** Culture Camps will be provided as funding allows.

MONTH	LOCATION	EVENT
January		
February	Chistochina	Fun Days
	Anchorage	Fur Rondy
	Fairbanks	Festival of Native Arts
	Anchorage	Junior Native Youth Olympics
March	Several Communities	Spring Break Activites
	Tok	Race of Champions
	Anchorage	Fur Rondy
	Fairbanks	North American Championships
April	Anchorage	Senior Games (NYO site for information)
May		
June	Copper Center	Summer Solstice Softball Tournament
	Copper Center	Annual Shareholders Meeting
July	Glennallen	Fourth of July Salmon Bake
	Fairbanks	World Eskimo-Indian Olympics
August		
September		
October	Fairbanks/Anchorage	Elders & Youth Conference; Alaska Federation of Natives
November		
December	Anchorage & Copper Center	Annual Christmas Parties

# <u>ALASKA FEDERATION OF NATIVES (AFN)</u>

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Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...



#### Convention

The Convention will be held in October each year, alternating between Fairbanks and Anchorage, Alaska. The annual convention serves as the principal forum and voice for the Alaska Native community in addressing critical issues of public policy and government. The convention convenes thousands of official delegates and participants from membership organizations across the state.

Each Convention's theme reflects one of the fundamental principles that we uphold across the state. The traditional ways of life of Alaska Natives are centered around the land. Subsistence is our traditional way of living off the land that has sustained Alaska Natives for thousands of years, and we are proud of the Alaska Native way of life.

At the Convention, delegates discuss strategic opportunities and challenges, listen to memorable keynote speeches, hear reports from political leaders and presentations from expert panels, and share stories of resilience, experiences, strengths, knowledge, and hope for the future.

The resolutions passed by the voting delegates set the priorities for the year and guide AFN's efforts. The Convention is the largest representative annual gathering in the United States of Native peoples.

# Who We Are

The Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) is the largest statewide Native organization in Alaska. Its membership includes 209 federally recognized tribes, 185 village corporations, 9 regional corporations, and 10 regional nonprofit and tribal consortiums that contract and compact to run federal and state programs. AFN is governed by a 38-member board, which is elected by its membership at the annual convention held each October. Learn more about AFN's history here.

# Our Mission

Alaska Native people began as members of full sovereign nations and continue to enjoy a unique political relationship with the federal government. We will survive and prosper as distinct ethnic and cultural groups and will participate fully as members of the overall society. AFN's mission is to enhance and promote the cultural, economic and political voice of the entire Alaska Native community. Our major goals are to:

- Advocate for Alaska Native people, their governments and organizations, with respect to federal, state and local laws;
- Foster and encourage preservation of Alaska Native cultures;
- Promote understanding of the economic needs of Alaska Natives and encourage development consistent with those needs;
- Protect, retain and enhance all lands owned by Alaska Natives and their organizations; and
- Promote and advocate for programs and systems which instill pride and confidence in individual Alaska Natives.

# FIRST ALASKANS INSTITUTE (FAI)

Name of Organization/Provider: First Alaskans Institute (FAI)

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Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...



#### Who We Are

First Alaskans Institute helps develop the capacities of Alaska Native people and their communities to meet the social, economic and educational challenges of the future, while fostering positive relationships among all segments of our society. The Institute does this through community engagement, information and research, collaboration, and leadership development. First Alaskans is a non-profit charitable organization whose purpose is to advance Alaska Natives.

#### Our Vision

Progress for the next 10,000 years...

#### Our Mission

True to identity, heritage, and values, Alaska Natives are informed and engaged in leading the decisions that shape the future.

#### Our Values

Integrity Respect Native Knowledge Responsibility

#### Operating Truths and Principles

- · Alaska Natives know best what is best for Alaska Natives
- Alaska always has been and always will be a Native place
- · What is good for Alaska Natives is good for all Alaskans
- · Indigenous knowledge and science is a whole knowledge system in and of itself, equal to all others
- We work to embody the strength and knowledge of our peoples, values, and cultures
- We love who we are and we believe in our inherent right to exist as distinct societies of Alaska Native peoples in perpetuity

#### Strategic Priorities Guidance

We are responsible for carrying more than 10,000 years of ancestral knowledge into the future. With rigor, humor, resilience, healing, vigilance, and love, we seek to practice this in all we do in the world around us.

As an organization, we amplify the self-determination of our peoples and work to unify the collective strength of our community.

We prepare Native leaders so they can advance our collective vision of healthy, happy, thriving Native communities.

By stewarding strong relationships across the state and sharing our knowledge, Alaska will become universally recognized and valued as a Native place.

Through First Alaskans, we are honored to work alongside our community to perpetuate and care for our peoples, homelands, and ways of life.

Download the 2017-2021 First Alaskans Institute Strategic Plan (PDF).

If you'd like information about our strategic plan, our strategic planning process, or want to share this work with others, please email us at info@firstalaskans.org. We are happy to connect about it.

#### **Board of Trustees**

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#### **Elders and Youth Conference**

Annual First Alaskans Institute Elders & Youth Conference



#### Invitational Dance at 2015 Elders & Youth Conference

Another component of First
Alaskans Institute's Leadership
Development Initiative is the
Elders & Youth Conference. The
Institute has sponsored and
hosted the event since 2004 at the
request of the Alaska Federation
of Natives.

Today, more than 1,000 participants from rural and urban Alaska gather each year at the First Alaskans Institute's Elders & Youth Conference, held during AFN Convention week. The purpose of the gathering is to develop leadership in our Native youth, strengthened with the

experience and wisdom of our Native Elders. For many participants (ages 13-18), the conference is their first opportunity to attend a statewide gathering and to engage in serious dialogue on issues relevant to Alaska Natives. Youth and Elders network with statewide organizations and individuals who are making a positive impact on our communities through Native traditions and modern technology alike.

The Institute engages an external group of people to serve as the Conference's planning team. This team helps to develop the conference theme, advise and guide content, and identify speakers, presenters and cultural performers.

# **ALASKA NATIVE HERITAGE CENTER**

Name of Organization/Provider: Alaska Native Heritage Center

Physical Location/Address: 8800 Heritage Center Drive, Anchorage, Alaska, 99504

Hours of Operation: Seasonal Hours; check website

Main Phone Number(s): 907-330-8000 or 855-330-8085

Website Address: https://www.alaskanative.net/

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...





#### **HISTORY**

The Alaska Native Heritage Center (ANHC) was created by a unanimous vote of the Alaska Federation of Natives in 1987, which called for the establishment of a statewide Alaska Native culture center. Two years later, ANHC was officially an incorporated 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and with the help and support of committed community members, in coordination with distinguished organizations like the Alaska Native Corporations, began fundraising to build the Center. ANHC opened its doors to the public in May of 1999, and celebrate its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2019.

#### MISSION & VISION

#### Mission

Alaska Native Heritage Center preserves and strengthens the traditions, languages, and art of Alaska's Native People through statewide collaboration, celebration, and education.

#### Vision

Thriving Alaska Native people and cultures are respected and valued.

#### **OUR VALUES**

#### Ten Universal Values

Show Respect To Others

Each Person Has a Special Gift

Share What You Have Giving Makes You Richer

Know Who You Are
You Are a Reflection on Your Family

Accept What Life Brings
You Cannot Control Many Things

Have Patience
Some Things Cannot Be Rushed

Live Carefully
What You Do Will Come Back to You

Take Care of Others
You Cannot Live without Them

Honor Your Elder They Show You the Way in Life

Pray For Guidance Many Things Are Not Known

See Connections
All Things Are Related

### FESTIVAL OF NATIVE ARTS

Name of Organization/Provider: Festival of Native Arts (February)

Physical Location/Address: UAF Campus – Davis Concert Hall, 321 Tanana Loop, Fairbanks

Main Phone Number(s): 907-474-7143

Website Address: https://fna.community.uaf.edu/

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...

### Announcing Our 50th Festival of Native Arts!

\*\*SAVE THE DATE!\*\*

Our 50th Festival of Native Arts- Troth Yeddha' Forever: Our Ways of Life, will be held once again at the Fine Arts Complex of the Troth Yeddha' UAF Campus, February 22nd, 23rd, and 24th, 2024!

We are SO thrilled that our theme for our 50th Festival will honor the ancestral lands of the Lower Tanana Dene'—the sacred ridge that is the home to the University of Alaska Fairbanks, IS Troth Yeddha', and will always \*be\* Troth Yeddha', just as this land has always been and will always be Festival's home. By honoring the name of this place, we pay our respects to the people who stewarded this land long before we gathered here. Wild Potato Ridge truly is a place of great learning, sharing, and bringing our best.

We are also thrilled that our theme will recognize both the unique and collective spirit of all the many cultures that converge here to celebrate each year. Our students in Festival Club truly came forth with an epic theme, and we are excited to be planning for next year's monumental event, in which we hope to see the greatest representation from every group in the State (and beyond!)

So mark your calendars and spread the word! Troth Yeddha' Forever: Our Ways of Life will be one for the history books!

# **NATIVE YOUTH OLYMPICS (NYO)**

Name of Organization/Provider: <u>NATIVE YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES ALASKA</u>

Cook Inlet Tribal Council & Native Youth Olympics

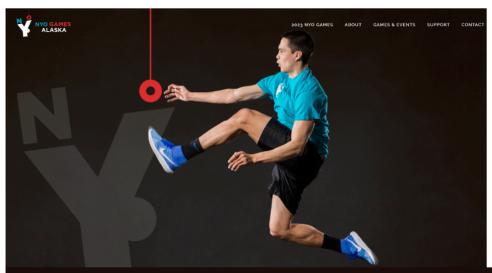
Physical Location/Address: 3600 San Jeronimo Drive, Anchorage, Alaska, 99508

Main Phone Number(s): 907-793-3412 (Main)

Contact Email Address: NYO@citci.org

Website Address: <a href="https://nyogames.com/">https://nyogames.com/</a>

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...





# YOU HAVE THE STRENGTH, SKILLS, AND KNOWLEDGE

These traditional athletic contests and northern games develop the strength and skill countless generations of Alaskan Native people depended on for survival in everyday life. Today's NYO Games Alaska carries on in this spirit by encouraging young people to strive for their personal best while instilling the values needed for success.

### WORLD ESIKIMO-INDIAN OLYMPICS (WEIO)

Name of Organization/Provider: <u>WEIO – World Eskimo-Indian Olympics</u>

Physical Location/Address: 535 Second Ave., Ste. 110, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 72433, Fairbanks, Alaska 99707

Main Phone Number(s): 907-452-6646

Fax: 907-456-2422

Contact Email Address: weio1961@weio.org

Website Address: weio@weio.org

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...



#### **WEIO**

The games that are played display the preparedness one needed for survival. They require skill as well as strength, agility, and endurance. In this manner, the people could teach their children that they had to be tough to make it on their own, not just in one area, but in all. The games left no part of the body untested.

In the past, whenever there was a gathering of families or villages, there were feasts, dances, and games. Often, when these gatherings took place, a messenger was sent to neighboring villages to extend a formal invitation. Today, these games are played in rural communities during the Fourth of July and Christmas holidays.

To better appreciate the background of these games, envision yourself in a community village shelter three hundred years ago with the temperature outside at 60 degrees below zero, with everybody in attendance celebrating a successful seal hunt. While the young men are demonstrating their athletic prowess and strength, the umialiks, or whaling captains, are on the perimeter of the gathering place looking with great interest at the young adults - one or more of these young men would be incorporated into their whaling and hunting crews - the fastest, the strongest, the one showing great balance and endurance to pain would be the top pick.

# Other Resources

- →Native Movement
- →Traditional Foods As Medicine (SAMHSA)

### NATIVE MOVEMENT

Name of Organization/Provider: Native Movement

Physical Location/Address: <u>60 Hall Street, Fairbanks, 99701</u>

(mailing: P.O. Box 83467, Fairbanks, 99708), or 2522 Arctic Blvd.,

Anchorage, 99503

Main Phone Number(s): Fairbanks: 907-328-0582 or Anchorage: 907-744-3722

Native Movement Newsletter (sign-up): https://www.nativemovement.org/joinus

Website Address: <a href="https://www.nativemovement.org/">https://www.nativemovement.org/</a>

Description of Organization/Provider: From the website...

Native Movement is focused on developing community organizing leadership, movement building, and community building centering social justice and healing foundations. Our work focuses on Indigenous and non-Indigenous grassroots mobilization rooted in decolonization and just transition frameworks toward liberation visions.

Native Movement is focused on increasing Alaska-wide community organizing capacity toward dismantling colonial systems of oppression and boldly reshaping a healing path forward. We believe in Collective Power building Systemic Change.



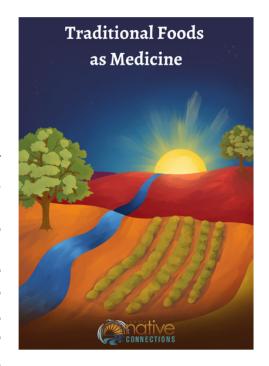


### TRADITIONAL FOODS AS MEDICINE (SAMHSA)

Visit https://app.smartsheet.com/b/publish?EQBCT=8aff79d5699e45249087ec1f7a62884d

Do you have traditional seasonal recipes? Or any traditional recipes to enjoy year-round? Please share those recipes with NC for the Traditional Foods as Medicine: A Regional Collection project.

The purpose of this project is to gather information, stories, and recipes on traditional foods from Native Connections (NC) grantees. Each community is unique, and through this collection we hope to provide more information and ideas to try and explore tradition with the youth in your program, using culture as the foundation for prevention. As NC grantees know, culture is a protective factor, and the goal if this project is to provide an additional



resource for grantees. For more information on culture and protective factors, view the work product titled "Culture is Prevention."

This project is a companion piece to the SAMHSA Native Connections "Traditional Foods as Medicine" webinar and "Traditional Foods as Medicine: Exploring the Possibilities" booklet.

View the dashboard and submit your recipe and story using the link below.

TRADITIONAL FOODS AS MEDICINE

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