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Welcome

Welcome to Phoenix, Arizona for The 8th Gathering for Healthy Relations Statewide Conference

Dear Conference Participant:

Welcome to the 8th Gathering for Healthy Relations Statewide Conference!

As we gather this year on the ancestral lands of the O’otham (Pima) and PeePosh (Maricopa), let us as a collective take a deep breath and acknowledge the strength and resiliency we have as Indigenous peoples. It is with extreme care and gratitude that we are offering this conference as we know that it is important, now more than ever, that we stand in solidarity as we work to address the impact of domestic and sexual violence our communities are facing.

Our goal is to provide a safe environment for participants. The primary goal of the #G4HR2024 is to bring together tribal service providers to network, share information and resources, and to create the opportunity to learn about issues around safety, healing, and justice for survivors of intimate partner and sexual violence. This year’s program features an incredible line up of subject matter experts who will be sharing a plethora of information that will certainly provide the opportunity for increased knowledge and awareness.

We wholeheartedly thank all those who contributed to making this conference possible whether it was financial, physical, spiritual, or through good energy! We also wish to thank all the speakers for taking the time to be part of this event, many of them donating their time. Additionally, many thanks to the leadership and staff of SWIWC and to you the conference participants, thank you for the work you do in your respective communities and for choosing to spend 2.5 days with us. It is through your determination, skill sets, energy, compassion, and commitment that our most vulnerable community members are receiving safety, healing, and justice.

To the survivors we applaud you for all that you have endured and most especially for your courage and tenacity. We appreciate your stories of triumph and healing. We are grateful for your patience, leadership, guidance, and support in helping us to shape the responses that our communities must have if we are to truly have safe, healthy and just communities for ALL Our Relations.

We hope that you have a beautiful, safe, fun, relaxing, and educational experience!

The Small but Mighty SWIWC Team

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The Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family (GOYFF) is a cabinet-level agency that administers state and federal grant programs and engages stakeholders across all sectors throughout Arizona to improve services and service delivery to our citizens.

Through a trauma-informed lens, GOYFF develops programs, coalitions, strategies, and initiatives to support Governor Katie Hobbs' priorities related to workforce development, substance abuse prevention, human trafficking, sexual & domestic violence, juvenile justice, aging, and child well-being. GOYFF also serves as the Governor's faith-based office and administers the state's AmeriCorps program. As part of this work, GOYFF staffs and convenes nine of the Governor's councils and commissions.



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OUR MISSION:

To end sexual and domestic violence in Arizona by dismantling oppression and promoting equity among all people.

WHO WE SERVE:

Providers of direct services to victims and survivors of sexual and domestic violence are our primary customers. Victims and survivors are the beneficiaries of our work.

WHAT WE DO:

ACESDV is the statewide coalition addressing sexual and domestic violence. We offer education & training, technical assistance, public policy advocacy, collaboration, and the Arizona Sexual and Domestic Violence Helpline.



www.acesdv.org

GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

All attendees must register for the #G4HR2024. The Conference Registration, located in the foyer of the conference center, is open the following hours:

Tuesday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

COTTONWOOD BALLROOM

This year's conference is offered via General Sessions. **The entire conference will be in the Cottonwood Ballroom.**

CONFERENCE BADGES

Conference attendees must wear the official #G4HR2024 conference badge to all general sessions, exhibit area and to the Saguaro Dining Area. For your safety, do not wear your badge outside of the conference area.

SOCIAL MEDIA

The use of social media platforms to promote the conference is highly encouraged. We ask that you use the official conference hashtag **#G4HR2024** on all social media posts and images.

EVALUATIONS

Your feedback provides important information to help us improve the Gathering for Healthy Relations Conference in the future. Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts and input by completing the conference evaluation forms. Information about completing evaluation forms will be available each day.

MESSAGE BOARD

Note for conference attendees may be posted on the message board located near the Conference Registration.

NO SMOKING POLICY

Smoking is not permitted in any of the conference areas. Please use designated smoking areas outside of the conference area.

BREAKS

Please take breaks at your convenience. Afternoon snack & beverages will be provided by the conference center at 2:30 p.m. each day.

CONFERENCE WiFi

There is complimentary WiFi in the public areas of the center.

SELF HEALING

We know some content can be triggering and emotional. Please take care of yourself. If you would like to speak with someone, please let any SWIWC staff member know.

SAVING TREES

All participants can access the agenda, speaker bios, and powerpoint, by scanning the QR codes at each table. If you need assistance, please contact a SWIWC staff member.

FOOD AND BEVERAGES

All conference food and beverages are being provided by the generosity of our conference sponsors. We are delighted and grateful! No Federal funding is used for purchase of food/beverages.

REFLECTION AND SMUDGING

Caroline F. Antone will provide a time for reflection and smudging at the end of each day. This is open to all attendees and/or anyone at the conference who would like to take time for themselves and reflect on their day. Location will be announced daily.

COVID

SWIWC is dedicated to helping to maintain the health and safety of conference participants and has included for your use antibacterial wipes, hand sanitizer, and covid tests for your convenience. If you need additional items please let SWIWC staff know.

HEALING TABLES

Located around the room are four healing stations: tea, beading, essential oils, and art. These healing stations offer attendees additional support and an alternative activity during the conference. Healing modalities vary from Tribe to Tribe, our intention with choosing the four healing stations was to integrate our senses into our healing – tea is nourishment, essential oils activate different body responses, beading and art can be both therapeutic and artistic. Take time to visit the tables.

DESERT WILLOW CONFERENCE CENTER

Where to find us: 4340 East Cotton Center Blvd. | Phoenix, AZ 85040

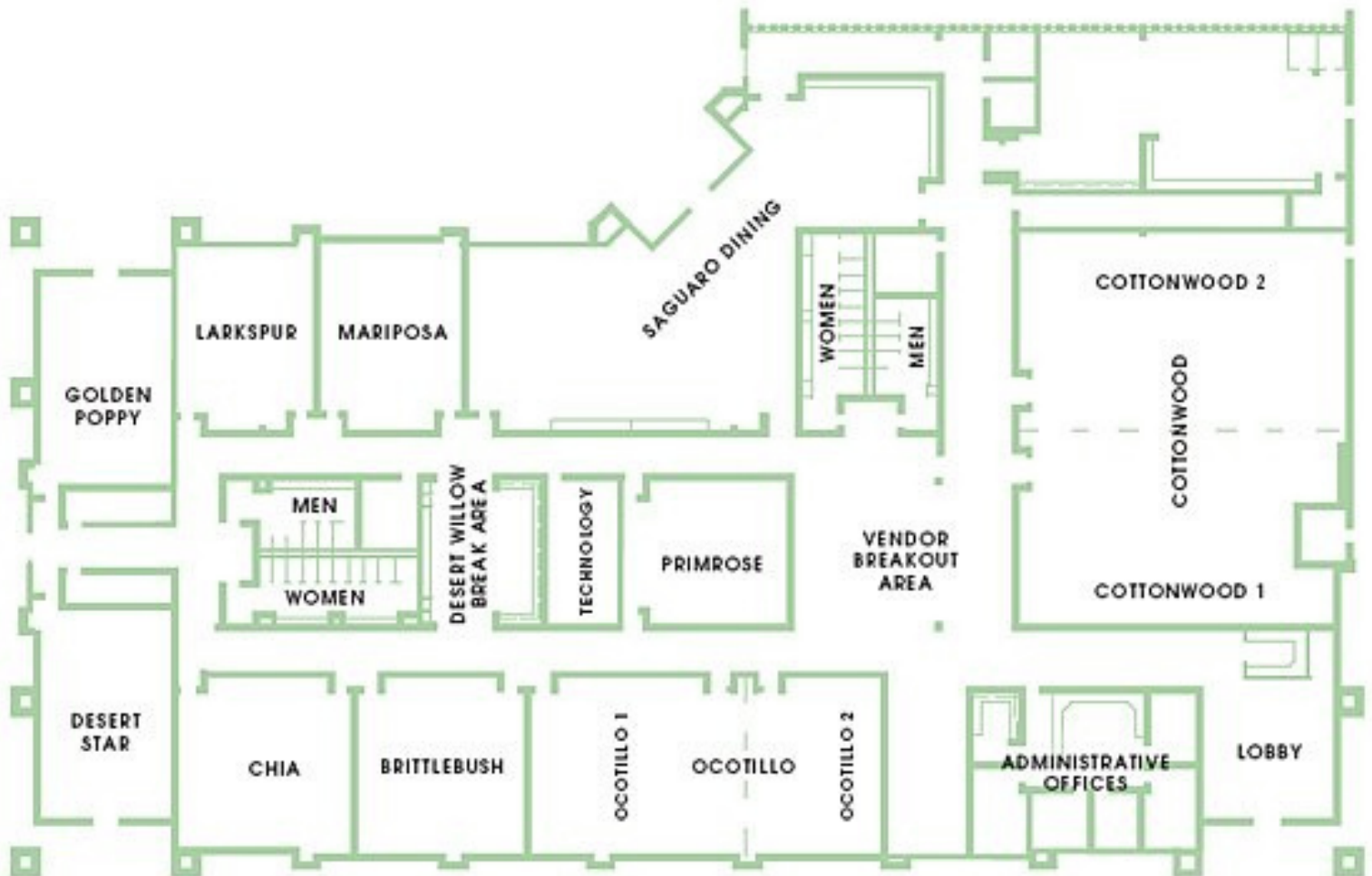
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Location

Desert Willow Conference Center is located in the Cotton Center business park, and is at the hub of the Valley's major freeways at the Tempe-Phoenix border. Conveniently located just 5 minutes from Sky Harbor International airport and 10 minutes from downtown Phoenix.

Saguaro Dining Room

Saguaro dining room offers a daily selection of gourmet entrees and our salad bar features fresh fruits and vegetables, plus an array of delicious dressings and vinaigrettes. Desserts are carefully chosen by the chef to provide a selection that is both decadent and healthy.



WELCOME ADDRESS



Rosie Hidalgo | Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) Director

Rosie Hidalgo joined the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) as its Director in July 2023, after serving as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Advisor on Gender-Based Violence at the White House Gender Policy Council. She previously worked at OVW as Deputy Director for Policy in the Obama-Biden Administration, during which time Rosie was detailed to the Office of the Vice President, working with the White House Advisor on Violence Against Women.

Rosie has worked in the movement to end gender-based violence for over 30 years as a public interest attorney and as a national policy advocate. At the outset of her career, she provided direct civil legal services through non-profit organizations in New York and Virginia. Prior to her work at the White House, she was the Senior Director of Public Policy for Casa de Esperanza: National Latin@ Network for Healthy Families and Communities (now Esperanza United), a national resource center with a focus on providing training, research, and policy advocacy to prevent and end domestic violence and sexual assault. Rosie also served on the Biden Foundation's Advisory Council for Ending Violence Against Women and on the American Bar Association's Commission on Domestic and Sexual Violence.

The daughter of immigrants from Cuba, Rosie spent a total of 10 years as an adult living in three different countries in Latin America, including the Dominican Republic, where she helped establish and coordinate a community-based domestic violence prevention and intervention network and worked as a consultant for the World Bank on social services reforms.

She received her Bachelor's degree in Government and International Relations from Georgetown University and her J.D. from New York University School of Law, where she was a Root-Tilden Scholar.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Tai Simpson | Nimiipuu Nation (Nez Perce Tribe of Idaho)

Tai Simpson (she/her) is a passionate advocate and community leader from Idaho, dedicated to healing-centered liberation and fighting oppression. As the Co-Stewarding Executive Director at the Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence, and the founder of the Indigenous Idaho Alliance, tai is actively involved in empowering tribal communities and advancing social justice. Tai a descendant of Cheif Redheart in the Nez Perce Tribe, brings a wealth of wisdom and firsthand experience to their work in promoting equity and restorative justice. They have made significant contributions, including drafting proclamations for Indigenous Peoples Day in Idaho and raising

awareness of Missing & Murdered Indigenous Peoples Day in the Idaho Legislature. Combining storytelling and a commitment to inclusivity, tai continually strives to protect the sacred, build community strength, and foster equity and liberation. Connect with tai simpson on Instagram @taisimpson or visit www.taisimpson.com to learn more.

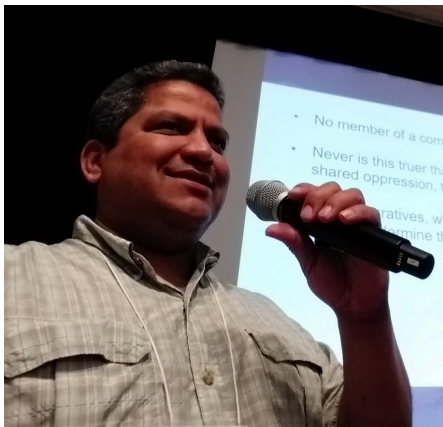
KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Josie Raphaelito, SWIWC's 2S/Native LGBTQ Advisory Council Member

Mrs. Raphaelito is German and Swedish, born for the Meadow People Clan, her maternal grandfather is German, her paternal grandfather's clan is of the Salt Water Clan, this is how she is Diné, Navajo. She was raised in Pine Hill, New Mexico, on the Ramah Navajo Reservation. After graduating from Pine Hill High School, she studied Athletic Training at the University of New England in Biddeford, Maine, where she completed a summer fellowship on health policy at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Mrs. Raphaelito continued her public health path in Washington, DC at the George Washington University where she earned a Master of Public Health degree

in 2011. Josie is a passionate advocate for tribal public health. She has 13 years of experience building relationships with tribal nations and citizens through community engagement strategies and tools to elevate those perspectives of local strengths and challenges into local, regional and national discussions for change. She led CNAY (the Center for Native American Youth) in program development, evaluation, grant proposal and report writing, event planning, and served as an expert on issues of suicide prevention, Two-Spirit and LGBTQIA+ people, and youth engagement, speaking at conferences and engaging in other outreach and educational activities in tribal communities nationwide.



Jeremy NeVilles-Sorell

Jeremy NeVilles-Sorell has worked in the field of domestic violence since 1994 on issues affecting children who have experienced domestic violence, supervised visitation, batterer's intervention, and providing training and education. He worked for four years coordinating the Duluth Family Visitation Center serving families with a history of domestic violence and dealing with visits and exchanges of children between parents. Jeremy also worked for four years as the Children's Program Coordinator at Women's Transitional Housing Coalition in Duluth, Minnesota, providing activities and groups for children who have witnessed violence. He joined the staff of Mending the

Sacred Hoop Technical Assistance Project in 1998, a national program to assist American Indian Tribes and Alaskan Native Villages to develop responses to violence against Indian women through training and technical assistance. He has held various titles with Mending the Sacred Hoop from team leader, program coordinator, co-director, and is currently the Training and Resources Director.

He was faculty for the IHS-ACF Health Domestic Violence Project for its duration: 2002-2009. This project worked with more than 100 Indian, Tribal and Urban health care facilities as well as domestic violence (DV) advocacy programs across the United States to improve the health care responses to domestic violence. From 2017 - 2019 he served on the Men of Color as Crime Victims Expert Working Group for the OVC National Resource Center for Reaching Victims. In 2015 he began working with Wica Agli and in March of 2019 assumed the position of Director of the National Native Coalition of Men's Programs. He has conducted groups with teenage boys and girls on domestic violence, facilitated groups for Native men who have battered, been an advocate for male victims, developed curricula for engaging men in violence prevention, and organized community education events. Jeremy has been a speaker and consultant for many national, state, and local programs on youth issues, community education, working with men, and worked on public policy reform. He remains involved with community groups and local educational efforts to raise awareness engage and promote non-violent lifestyles for men.

ELEANOR E. ROEHRIG VICTIM ADVOCATE AWARD



In Memoriam

Eleanor E. Roehrig, a member of the San Carlos Apache Tribe was a loving mother, grandmother, sister, niece, and auntie. She was a founding member of the Southwest Indigenous Women’s Coalition (SWIWC) and the first President of the Council of Women – the governing board for SWIWC. Eleanor exemplified unyielding tenacious advocacy at the tribal grassroots level. On a state and national level Eleanor was known for her work as a thriving survivor, a dedicated advocate, and for her unrelenting aspiration to bring

awareness of the domestic and sexual violence issues impacting tribal communities.

Eleanor often spoke of the tragic death of one of her sisters that was the result of domestic violence and of her own survival of domestic and sexual violence. It was these experiences and her desire to protect her beloved children and grandchildren that fueled her passion in the movement to end violence against Native women. Eleanor was a gentle, but fierce woman warrior who left this world on January 08, 2010. Although she is gone, her spirit, compassion, and ambition live on in the hearts of all who knew her.

In honor of Eleanor, we are presenting the **Eleanor E. Roehrig Advocate Award** to five outstanding individuals who demonstrate unwavering commitment, compassion, and tenacity in their work responding to survivors of domestic and sexual violence; and who are diligent in supporting victim-centered advocacy, offender accountability, safety, and healing. Please help us in congratulating this year’s awardees:

Michelle Alvarado, Victim Advocate | Fort Mojave Domestic Violence Program

Caroline F. Antone, I:MIG, LLC - Founder

Theron Honyumtewa, Victim Advocate | Hopi Domestic Violence Program

Shanna R. Stewart, Domestic Violence Victim Advocate | Victim Services Speciality Program, Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Behavioral Health Services

Laurelle Sheppard, Program Director | Victim Witness Services for Northern Arizona

ELEANOR E. ROEHRIG VICTIM ADVOCATE AWARD



**Michelle Alvarado, Victim Advocate
Fort Mojave Domestic Violence Program**

Michelle Alvarado, I am mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, auntie to my family. Descendent of Fort Mojave Indian Tribe, part of the Neolge Clan. Passionate advocate for Domestic Violence of the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe Domestic Violence Program. I share 10 years providing direct services of advocacy for victim/survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking. Provide healing through empowerment to our women with self confidence and self-esteem no woman is alone can overcome and be resilient in their life of obstacles. Attended numerous trainings and conferences in Indian Country has encouraged me to help women in my community through awareness, support groups and healthy relationship classes.

Caroline F. Antone, Tohono O’odham

Ms. Caroline Felicity Antone is Tohono O’odham, has 1 great grandson, 8 grandchildren and 4 adult children. When Ms. Antone struggled on her own without help from the effects of her childhood traumas of sexual abuse, suicide ideations and attempts, surviving domestic violence, she realized there was nowhere to turn so Ms. Antone created her company in 2005 “Walksfirst” Then later in 2009 changed it to I: MIG, LLC to help her O’odham People; however, found out that many other tribes had the same issues, barriers and struggles unique to Native Communities. Ms. Antone collaborated, consulted, and facilitated groups with her own story intertwined to help her audiences understand the complexity of addiction and recovery. Through her business I: MIG, LLC., Ms. Antone has worked with youth to develop a comic book, videos, and has been interviewed more than once with newspapers, NBC -Left Field “Native Woman Speaks Out About Sexual Assault and Violence. she developed a workshop called “YOUNG WOMEN/MEN ARE SACRED”, For girls/boys ages 7-25. I: MIG, LLC then collaborated with Leanne Guy the Founder of SWIWC (Southwest Indigenous Women’s Coalition) to provide Conference for “Young Women Are Sacred”. Until COVID hit. Ms. Antone also has been consulting with SWIWC to provide self-reflection through means of smudging, sweatlodge ceremonies and support for their conferences and projects.



**Theron Honyumptewa, Hopi Tribe
Hopi Domestic Violence Program**

THERON HONYUMPTWEA – Is from the village of Lower Mungapi on the west side end of the Hopi Reservation and is Tsu’Wungwa (Snake Clan.) After 20 plus years in the field of Security Enforcement, he joined the Hopi Domestic Violence Program in April 2017 as the Men’s Re-Education Specialist. Although he enjoyed working with the perpetrators of domestic violence as a facilitator, the opportunity to advance within the program as a Victim Advocate became available so he applied and was hired. As an advocate, Mr. Honyumptewa states that the job is very challenging at times, but rewarding. He enjoys helping people and feels that he’s made a positive impact in the lives of those dealing with domestic violence as victims. Being one of two victim advocates within the HDVP providing direct services to victims of domestic violence on the Hopi Reservation, he is eager to fulfill his responsibilities on a daily basis. He states “Domestic Violence is never acceptable, whether its coming from a man, a

woman, a teenager, or an older adult. You deserve to feel valued, respected and safe. Victims are not alone. His motto to his clients is, “You are not alone. I will not stand in front of you, behind you but beside you on your journey of healing.” Mr. Honyumptewa is married to Diane of Sichomovi Village on First Mesa. They have three adult children and four grandchildren.

ELEANOR E. ROEHRIG VICTIM ADVOCATE AWARD



Shanna R. Stewart, Diné
Domestic Violence Victim Advocate
Victim Services Speciality Program, Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Behavioral Health Services

Ya'at'eeh! My name is Shanna Stewart. I am an enrolled member of the Navajo Nation. I am Red Running into the Water, born for Coyote Pass. My maternal grandfather is Bitter Water and my paternal grandfather is Towering House. My husband and I have been together for 29 years and have three beautiful girls ages 27, 24 and 17... and 7 grandkids aka 3 dogs, 2 cats and 2 fish.

I served for 10 years as a Child Protection Services worker in the ICWA Unit, first with Arizona DES and later Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. Looking for a change, I was provided an opportunity to work in Gila River Indian Community for Crime Victim Services for almost 10 years as a Victim Advocate, Lead Victim Advocate and later, Supervisor. Currently, I am working for Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community as a Victim Advocate located at the River People Health Center. I look forward to assisting in the development and growth of the Victim Services Program at RPHC and most of all, to continue to support, encourage and advocate for victims.

Laurelle Sheppard, Diné
Program Director | Victim Witness Services for Northern Arizona

"I've spent the past 15 years in the service of the betterment of humankind in different capacities. As a Dine (Navajo) woman I struggled with integrating my traditional side with the modern world. I'm excited to have found the balance that provides me with a unique perspective in public service."

Laurelle Sheppard is Naakaidiné (Mexican Clan) born for Ashiihí (Salt People) clan from Hardrock, AZ on the Navajo Nation. She has extensive experience in the public service sector that include corrections, law enforcement and advocacy. Her public service experience includes an

early start with the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, then served as a Federal Police Officer throughout the United States while serving as a Vice President for the non-profit advocating for change within the community and promotion of safety and support for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. She now leads the victim services program on the Navajo Nation as a Program Director. Through her work as a public servant, she has experience from different perspectives that builds a positive direction for the communities she serves.



SWIWC WARRIOR AWARDS



WAYLON "PEE" PAHONA

Waylon Pahona Jr. Hopi Tewa/ Maricopa grew up on the Hopi Reservation. Waylon is well known for transforming his life and being the founder/creator of Healthy Active Natives (HAN's). The HAN's social networking group on Facebook currently has over 76,000 HAN members nationally and internationally. When creating Healthy Active Native's in 2012, Waylon's vision was for HAN's to be a space where Natives welcome all fitness levels and use positive reinforcement to pick each other up when it seems impossible to make positive changes. In 2013 Waylon also received the Healthy Innovation award by IHS Indian Health Services for his social media group. Waylon is also an Ambassador to Tanka Bar jerky.



JOHANNA CORPENO

Johanna Herrera is of the Maya people and was born and raised in Tongva Territory, also known as Southern California. Johanna, an advocate, and survivor of domestic violence has been on her own healing journey for many years. She discovered that through self-love/care she was able to serve others in a much better way. Johanna has found yoga to be a tool for healing and a deeper connection to self and Creator. This has led Johanna to complete a 200 hr. Indigenous Vinyasa Yoga Teacher Training and she became certified through Native Strength Revolution. Johanna also has a deep-rooted passion for working with youth and has begun her certification in Vinyasa (trauma informed) Yoga for Youth. She has worked on expanding her mindset with a holistic approach, bringing the body, mind, spirit together through breath-work and mindfulness to form wellness.



Johanna believes in the power of preventative care through nutrition, plant medicines, healthy eating, and movement within the body, sharing ways to heal from the inside out. One of Johanna's greatest passions is working with people and helping them create a healthy lifestyle that they can thrive through. This has led her on her path to working with those in Recovery, facilitating a safe space in body, mind practices. Johanna graduated from her program at the Southwest Institute of Healing Arts as a Holistic Nutrition Wellness Practitioner, Life Coach, and Fitness Nutrition Educator- (Certified through NASM).

SWIWC 2S/LGBTQ+ ADVISORY COUNCIL WARRIOR AWARD



ELTON NASWOOD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR | TWO SPIRIT AND NATIVE LGBTQ+ CENTER FOR EQUITY

Elton is of the Near to the Water People Clan, born for the Edge Water People Clan, his maternal grandfather's clan is of the Mexican People, his paternal grandfather's clan is of the Tangle People, this is how he is Navajo, Dine. He is originally from Whitehorse Lake, New Mexico, on the Navajo Reservation and resides in Denver, Colorado.

Mr. Naswood is the Executive Director of the Two-Spirit/Native LGBTQ+ (2SLGBTQ+) Center for Equity, a national non-profit to address the needs for advocacy, resources, violence prevention, and healing in the 2SLGBTQ+ communities.

He was formally a Senior Program Analyst in the Capacity Building Division at the Office of Minority Health Resource Center and was a Capacity Building Assistance Specialist at the National Native American AIDS Prevention Center and the Founder and Program Coordinator for the Red Circle Project, AIDS Project Los Angeles.

Mr. Naswood received his Bachelors of Arts Degree in Sociology and American Studies from Arizona State University and attended the

graduate degree program in American Indian Studies at the University of California, Los Angeles.

Thank you!

PEE POSH VETERANS ASSOCIATION

During the years that Americans were opening the Southwest as part of the Gold Rush, an agreement was developed with the assistance of the Military Liaison at Fort Yuma. Each tribe (Maricopa [Pee-Posh], Pima [Gila River Indian Community-GRIC], Yuma [Quechan/Cocopah], Hualapai, and Chemehuevi) pledged mutual peace, friendship, and to protect the local American settlers against hostilities by other, non-allied tribes.

Tribal chiefs from each of the tribes, along with American military personnel discussed issues that would be decisive for the future of the tribes as well as the "Territory of New Mexico." Representatives for the Maricopa tribe (Pee-Posh) were Chief Juan Chavaria and Sub Chief Juan Jose of Company B; later serving with the First Infantry of the Arizona Volunteers (Arizona Volunteers) as Captain and Lieutenant respectively. Chief Antonio Azul of the Pima tribe (Gila River Indian Community) also served as a First Lieutenant with Company C of the Arizona Volunteers.

The Arizona Volunteers became recognized as the First National Guard of Arizona, agreed to protect the Arizona settlers and tribes from attacks by the raiding Apache and other marauders. Pee-Posh Veterans' Association was established through GRIC Resolution GR-167-94 on December 7, 1994, to continue the legacy of providing military support to tribal veterans, families, and communities. The geographical area the Association serves includes all seven (7) districts within GRIC, other Arizona tribal nations (i.e., Ak-Chin, Fort McDowell, Salt River, Tohono O'Otham, Fort Mojave, Cocopah, San Carlos and Window Rock), California (Quechan), Nevada Southern Paiute Tribes of Moapa and Pahrump, and the Navajo Nation in Arizona/New Mexico

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Monday | October 7, 2024

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Saguaro Dining

REGISTRATION AND EXHIBITOR/VENDOR TABLES 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

OPENING SESSION 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Cottonwood Ballroom

Welcome: Mistresses of Ceremonies: Tania Harvey and Gail Henry, SWIWC

Posting of Colors
Pee Posh Veterans Association

Shawl Ceremony
Presented by: Tania Harvey, SWIWC
Remembering those who passed and honoring their families; Elders, Women, Men, Youth, MMIWG/Relatives, Native 2S/LGBTQ+, and Disability

Traditional Blessing | Caroline F. Antone

WELCOME REMARKS
Rosie Hidalgo, Director, Office on Violence Against Women

Leanne Guy, Executive Director, SWIWC

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Radical Futurism, A Way Forward
Speaker: Tai Simpson

Description: Radical isn't what we relegate it to be, couched in the mere distinctions between political parties. The systems in which we live limit our imagination, our ability to think, love, and be in all of our expansiveness. But Radical isn't a political position, radical is courage in the face of ridicule

when we chose to care for each other and ourselves, with compassion & empathy. Radical is our journey in futurism, knowing innately that another world free of violence is possible.

Violence Prevention for Everyone means EVERYONE
Speaker: Josie Raphaelito

Description: As a Co-Chair of the SWIWC Two-Spirit and Native LGBTQ+ Advisory Council, Josie Raphaelito will share her message on the work that is needed within the 2S/LGBTQ+ community to promote healing, create safer spaces, and strengthen justice in the space of violence prevention for everyone. She will also highlight the importance of engaging young leaders and youth perspectives in this work to expand on inclusion efforts and support the balanced dynamic to address the constant challenge of inequity, racism, patriarchy, trauma, discrimination, and grief. Collectively our Two-Spirit and Native LGBTQ+ relatives will lean on one another and our Indigenous courage, strength, culture, and lifeways to lead by example and continue to advocate for everyone as it relates to violence prevention and healing.

INTERACTIVE ACTIVITY

LUNCH 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Saguaro Dining

INTERACTIVE ACTIVITY

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

GENERAL SESSION: INTERSECTIONS OF VIOLENCE 1:10 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Cottonwood Ballroom

Internal Capacity to Trauma Response

Presenter: Memory Dawn Long Chase

Description: Trauma is an experience that can cause intense physical and psychological stress, and can potentially have long-lasting negative impacts on a person's overall health and well-being. As Indigenous people, we have the unique distinction of historical, intergenerational, and interpersonal trauma. This workshop will explore how to identify our internal capacity to respond to trauma, and explore strategies to strengthen that capacity.

At the Crossroads: Navigating the Intersections of Violence and Substance Use in Native American Communities

Presenter: Arlene Brown

Description: Exploring the interconnected challenges of substance use and violence in Native American communities, shaped by historical trauma, socioeconomic inequities, and cultural disconnection, while highlighting paths toward holistic, community-centered healing through Indigenous Harm Reduction Strategies.

From the Voices of Survivors: Creating Indigenous Safe Housing Spaces for our Relatives

Presenter: Gwen Packard

Description: Since our humble beginnings, STTARS, the Indigenous Safe Housing Center has focused on lifting the voices of survivors and those with lived experience at the intersection of housing insecurity/homelessness and Gender-Based violence. To date, STTARS has conducted Listening Sessions in seven (7) culturally diverse tribal communities to hear the experiences, concerns and recommendations of survivors with lived experience. During this workshop presentation, STTARS will share valuable insight on the needs of survivors and emerging policy recommendations based on these sessions

3:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION: Collective Action: The Power of a Network to Address Sexual Violence Against People with Disabilities

Presenters: Melanie Mills and Kimberly Yellow Robe

Description: Individuals with disabilities are significantly more likely to be victims of sexual violence than the general population; those with intellectual, developmental, or behavioral disabilities are at still greater risk. High profile incidents in Arizona over the past decade have shown the state is not immune to the dangers of this epidemic. Since 2018, however, representatives of disability advocacy organizations have worked alongside professionals from sexual and domestic violence response, law enforcement, government, education, healthcare, and other agencies to improve Arizona's ability to prevent sexual violence against individuals with disabilities, where possible, and to respond in more person-centered, trauma-informed ways when such incidents do occur. Progress has been made, yet much more remains to be accomplished. This session will address the ways in which collaboration across agencies has made an impact, from better serving disabled Arizonans to educating policymakers and professionals about what is needed to ensure appropriate protections for this at-risk population – and how ongoing cooperation amongst stakeholders is vital to continuing the forward momentum.

INTERACTIVE ACTIVITY

Daily Reflection and Smudging 5:00 p.m.

Location: Conference Center Outside Entrance

Facilitator: Caroline F. Antone

Caroline F. Antone will provide a time for reflection and smudging at the end of each day. This is open to all attendees and/or anyone at the conference who would like to take time for themselves and reflect on their day. Location will be announced daily.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Tuesday | October 8, 2024

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Saguaro Dining

REGISTRATION AND EXHIBITOR/VENDOR TABLES 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

CENTERING AND GROUNDING with Johanna Corpeno
Cottonwood Ballroom

GENERAL SESSION

Who is Causing Harm and How Do We Help?

Presenter: Germain Omish-Lucero,

Description: This presentation will explore what and who in our communities is causing the harm and how do we help. This workshop will dispel the myth that gender-based violence is perpetrated by strangers.

Those that commit harm are our relatives, leadership, faith-based leaders, and neighbors. How do we help those who do harm? Discussion ~~8:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.~~ will take place.

8:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

INTERACTIVE ACTIVITY

GENERAL SESSION: MEN'S WELLNESS

10:30 p.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Engaging Male Advocacy

Presenter: Theron Honyumtewa

Description: This presentation will cover the challenges, barriers and positive outcomes when dealing with victims of domestic violence as a male victim advocate within the Hopi Indian Reservation. At first sight, the immediate response from a female victim is for example, "Why is he here? He's a guy. I don't want to talk to him. I hate all guys." What is the process to get the victim to understand that I am there to help her, I'm an ally, a protector, someone

who is on their side? Other aspects of the presentation will talk about cultural practices, the traditional knowledge used in assisting victims, much of it is still used today.

Men Hold Up Half the Sky

Presenter: Whirlwind Bull Yellow Bear

LUNCH

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

SWIWC Warrior Awards, Native 2S/LGBTQ+ Honoring Ceremony, and the Eleanor E. Roehrig Victim Advocacy Award

Cottonwood Ballroom

GENERAL SESSION: MEN'S WELLNESS (continued) 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Native Men and Boys Healing and Wellness

Panel Presenters: Lenny Hayes, Timothy Ruise, Waylon Pahona, and Whirlwind Bull Yellow Bear
Facilitated by SWIWC

Description: This panel is focusing on the profound impacts of sexual assault and the journey toward healing and resilience. Recognizing the unique cultural, historical, and intergenerational challenges that indigenous men face. This session will offer tools and resources tailored to honor Native traditions, values, and perspectives. The panel will also explore the importance of reclaiming identity, reconnecting with cultural heritage, and strengthening spiritual practices as vital components of healing.

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Men's Circle of Wellness Gathering

Presenter: Waylon "Pee" Pahona

Description: The presenter will provide an overview of The Men's Circle Of Wellness Gathering, created by men and facilitated by men.. The Gathering brought men together to discuss and explore their wellbeing and emotions, specifically in the context of being a Native man. Discussion on strategies for taking care of our own wellness in all aspects - spiritually, emotionally, and physically. The goal for the gathering, create a supportive community where men can connect and learn from one another in a safe and open environment.

GENERAL SESSION: NATIVE 2S/LGBTQ+

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Assessing and Addressing the Disparities of Violence Among Transgender Communities

Presenter: Mattee Jim, SWIWC's Native 2S/LGBTQ+ Advisory Council

Description: This presentation will address recent data on Domestic Violence, Intimate Partner Violence, Sexual Assault, and Violence towards our Transgender population. This will also address recommendations for service providers on how to work with and advocate for the trans community.

Discussing Suicidality and Screening Techniques within Native Youth 2S/LGBTQ+

Presenters: Lenny Hayes and Tavi Hawn

Description: The intent of the workshop is discussing ways to consider and incorporate cultural ways and knowledge into suicide screening, reviewing current statistics on suicide risk and actions for our youth, as well as touching on some culturally based models for suicide prevention.

INTERACTIVE ACTIVITY

Daily Reflection and Smudging 5:00 p.m.

Location: Conference Center Outside Entrance

Facilitator: Caroline F. Antone

Caroline F. Antone will provide a time for reflection and smudging at the end of each day. This is open to all attendees and/or anyone at the conference who would like to take time for themselves and reflect on their day. Location will be announced daily.

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CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Saguaro Dining

REGISTRATION

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

CENTERING AND GROUNDING with Johanna Corpeno.

9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

Cottonwood Ballroom

GENERAL SESSION

9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Trauma, Grief and Loss

Presenters: Caroline F. Antone, Tavi Hawn, Lenny Hayes

Description: The workshop will provide strategies for trauma healing services to victim/survivors of violence through a therapeutic lens. This workshop will focus on the mental well-being of survivors.

Breath is Medicine | Facilitator: Johanna Corpeno

10:30a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

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CLOSING PLENARY **10:45 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.**

Healing and Taking Care of You

Presenters: Waylon “Pee” Pahona and Johanna Corpeno

Description: The workshop will address the importance of taking care of self when caring for others and methods of self-care for advocates including cultural and traditional approaches. It will also provide information on symptoms of burnout, defining secondary trauma, and recovering from burnout.

CLOSING SESSION. **11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

Closing Address

SWIWC Staff

Traditional Blessing | Caroline F. Antone

Retrieval of Shawls

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Retrieval of Colors

Pee Posh Veterans Association

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Caroline F. Antone, Tohono O'odham

I:MIG, LLC,

Ms. Caroline Felicity Antone is Tohono O'odham, has 1 great grandson, 8 grandchildren and 4 adult children. When Ms. Antone struggled on her own without help from the effects of her childhood traumas of sexual abuse, suicide ideations and attempts, surviving domestic violence, she realized there was nowhere to turn so Ms. Antone created her company in 2005 "Walksfirst" Then later in 2009 changed it to I: MIG, LLC to help her O'odham People; however, found out that many other tribes had the same issues, barriers and struggles unique to Native Communities. Ms. Antone collaborated, consulted, and facilitated groups with her own story intertwined to help her audiences understand the complexity of addiction and recovery. Through her business I: MIG, LLC., Ms. Antone has worked with youth to develop a comic book, videos, and has been interviewed more than once with newspapers, NBC -Left Field "Native Woman Speaks Out About Sexual Assault and Violence. she developed a workshop called "YOUNG WOMEN/MEN ARE SACRED", For girls/boys ages 7-25. I: MIG, LLC then collaborated with Leanne Guy the Founder of SWIWC (Southwest Indigenous Women's Coalition) to provide Conference for "Young Women Are Sacred". Until COVID hit. Ms. Antone also has been consulting with SWIWC to provide self-reflection through means of smudging, sweat lodge ceremonies and support for their conferences and projects.

Arlene Brown, Bishop Paiute Tribe
Crossroads Recovery Center and Skoden Native Harm Reduction Services

Ms. Brown is the founder and CEO of Crossroads Recovery Center and Skoden Native Harm Reduction Services, which was the first CA state certified syringe program specifically created for native people. Previously, Arlene served as KAI's Tribal Training and Technical Assistance (TTA) Specialist and provided culturally appropriate support to tribal communities for KAI's contract to implement California's statewide initiative to identify and integrate tribal best practices into opioid and methamphetamine treatment for urban Indian and tribal communities and to support the tribal traditional best practice and SUD integration initiative. She has more than 15 years of experience providing organizational leadership, community outreach, and education to tribal communities.

Johanna Corpeno, Maya People

Johanna Corpeno is of the Maya people and was born in Southern California. Johanna completed 200 hr. Indigenous Vinyasa Yoga Teacher Training and became certified through Native Strength Revolution. Johanna Also has a deep-rooted passion for working with youth and has begun her certification in Vinyasa (trauma informed) Yoga for Youth. She has worked on deepening her mindset with a holistic approach, bringing the body, mind, and spirit together to form wellness. Johanna graduated from her program at the Southwest Institute of Healing arts in February 2021 as a Holistic Nutrition Wellness Practitioner, Life Coach, and Fitness Nutrition Educator- (Certified through NASM).

Tavi Hawn, Cherokee descent
SWIWC's Native 2S/LGBTQ+ Advisory Council Member

Tavi Hawn, (they/them) Cherokee descent, multi-racial Two Spirit Indigiqueer is a healer and trainer, who works with various groups to foster wellbeing and thriving. Tavi supports projects such as Indian Country Trans ECHO, Campaign for Southern Equality, Native American Lifelines, and more. Tavi is honored to serve on the advisory council and believes in the transformative work of SWIWC.

Lenny Hayes, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate
Tate Topa Consulting, Inc | SWIWC's Native 2S/LGBTQ+ Advisory Council Member

Lenny Hayes, MA, is a citizen of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate of the northeast corner of South Dakota. Lenny is also owner and operator of Tate Topa Consulting, LLC and is currently in private practice specializing in Marriage Family Therapy. He has extensive training in mental and chemical health issues that impact the Two-Spirit/Native LGBTQ and Native community. Lenny has traveled nationally and locally training and presenting on the issues that impact both the Two-Spirit/Native LGBTQ individual and community. These issues include the Impact of Historical and

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Intergenerational Trauma on this population, violence of all forms, child welfare issues, and the Impact of Sexual Violence and Human Trafficking on Men and Boys which is a topic that is rarely discussed. Lenny is the former Missing and Murdered Two-Spirit Project Assistant for Sovereign Bodies Institute. Lenny is also a 2020 graduate of the Human Trafficking Leadership Academy Cohort 5.

Theron Honyumtewa, Hopi Tribe
Hopi Domestic Violence Program

THERON HONYUMPTWEA – Is from the village of Lower Mungapi on the west side end of the Hopi Reservation and is Tsu'Wungwa (Snake Clan.) After 20 plus years in the field of Security Enforcement, he joined the Hopi Domestic Violence Program in April 2017 as the Men's Re-Education Specialist. Although he enjoyed working with the perpetrators of domestic violence as a facilitator, the opportunity to advance within the program as a Victim Advocate became available so he applied and was hired. As an advocate, Mr. Honyumtewa states that the job is very challenging at times, but rewarding. He enjoys helping people and feels that he's made a positive impact in the lives of those dealing with domestic violence as victims. Being one of two victim advocates within the HDVP providing direct services to victims of domestic violence on the Hopi Reservation, he is eager to fulfill his responsibilities on a daily basis. He states, "Domestic violence is never acceptable, whether it's coming from a man, a woman, a teenager, or an older adult. You deserve to feel valued, respected and safe. Victims are not alone. His motto to his clients is, "You are not alone. I will not stand in front of you, behind you but beside you on your journey of healing." Mr. Honyumtewa is married to Diane of Sichomovi Village on First Mesa. They have three adult children and four grandchildren.

Mattee Jim, Diné
SIWWC's Native 2S/LGBTQ+ Advisory Council
Member

Mattee Jim is of the Zuni People Clan and born for the Towering House People Clan, this is how she identifies as a Diné (Navajo). Mattee has been active in the HIV Prevention field for the past 20 years, she has presented at several conference such as the International AIDS Conference 2012, United States Conference on AIDS, and the National HIV Prevention Conference, and many more. Mattee has also been doing Transgender Advocacy since the late 90's and has done it on the local, state and national level. Mattee currently is employed with First Nations Community Healthsource as a Supervisor for HIV Prevention Programs. She is also a decision making member and Community Co Chair for the New Mexico Community Planning and Action Group which addresses HIV Prevention within the State of New Mexico, Emiratis status Board Member for Transgender Resource Center of New Mexico, Planning Committee Member for Circle of Harmony, member of the Native LGBTQ Advisory Committee for SIWWC, member of the National Transgender Coalition for Transgender Law Center, Transgender Advocate, Trainer, Consultant, and Extraordinary Person. Mattee's Journey has been a Blessed one since she started her sobriety several years ago.

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Memory Dawn Long Chase, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe
Domestic Violence Response Director, SWIWC

Memory Dawn Long Chase is an enrolled member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. She has worked in the anti-gender-based violence movement for the past 10 years. She began her career working for the state coalition ACESDV and has worked for several years at a community based multi-service agency providing outreach services to victims and survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking. She has worked with chronically homeless single adults with Native American Connections and now is the Domestic Violence Response Director with SWIWC. Memory has a passion for making communities safer by providing training and technical assistance on a variety of victim advocacy topics.

Melanie Mills, State Director
The Arc of Arizona

Melanie Mills is the State Director for The Arc of Arizona, where she has dedicated 22 years to championing the rights and well-being of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). Throughout her distinguished career, Melanie has actively participated in numerous advisory committees and coalitions, particularly those focused on guardianship, supported decision-making training, and support systems. Her advocacy is deeply personal; she is an aunt, niece, and sister to family members with IDD. Melanie is passionate about empowering families to invest in comprehensive future planning, ensuring that all individuals have the opportunity to lead independent, self-directed, and fulfilling lives in their chosen communities. Additionally, Melanie has actively contributed to the Arizona Sexual Violence and Disability Network and the Grand Canyon Collaborative, demonstrating her commitment to addressing and

preventing sexual violence against individuals with disabilities. Her involvement includes working on initiatives that provide education, resources, and support to survivors, as well as advocating for policy and systemic changes to enhance protections and services for this vulnerable population.

Germaine Omish-Lucero, Rincon, Band of Luiseno Indians
Director of Special Projects, Arizona Tribal Coalitions to End Abuse

Germaine Omish-Lucero (Tuoota poqe\$may Little Rock Wren) - Tribal Citizen: Rincon, Band of Luiseño Indians. Germaine is the Special Projects Director for the Alliance of Tribal Coalitions to End Violence (ATCEV) and has been advocating the needs of Native victims for over 25 years aimed at preventing domestic & sexual violence in tribal communities. Germaine assists with ATCEV's technical assistance team providing training and technical assistance for the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), the Office on Family Violence Prevention Services (OFVPS), and the Victims of Crime (OVC). Through ATCEV's NOVO funding, Germaine orchestrated the Indigenous Ancestral Healing Collective. The Collective, consists of Indigenous Peoples from Turtle Island (USA), Kānaka Maoli (Hawai'i), Māori Aotearoa (New Zealand) She is one of the founding Mothers of ATCEV and former Vice-President on the board. Germaine graduated in 2016 with a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration. She is one of the founding mothers & former Executive Director of the Strong Hearted Native Women's Coalition, Inc. (SHNWC) founded in 2005 (CA), which is one of the 20 Tribal Coalitions that assist tribes to create appropriate tribal resolutions with assistance in identifying and mediating essential changes to reduce crimes covered under the Violence Against Women's Act

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(VAWA). She is the founding Mother of SHNWC's Kiicha House, the first Native women's shelter in Southern California. Germaine sits as a board member representing her tribal reservation for SHNWC. Germaine serves on several boards and is a National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Task Force founding member. Germaine a subject matter expert/curriculum developer/instructor, contractor/consultant, international speaker, tribal delegate, and works with agencies on special projects and presentations.

Gwendolyn Packard, Ihanktonwan Dakota
Senior Housing Specialist, National Indigenous Women's Resource Center

Gwendolyn Packard (Ihanktonwan Dakota), Senior Housing Specialist, National Indigenous Women's Resource Center, has worked for many years in Indian country, both at the national and tribal level. She has served as editor for six national Indian publications. In 1990 she was instrumental in founding the National Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (NOFAS). She served as Executive Director for Morning Star House, an advocacy program that works with off-reservation Indian women and children who are victims/survivors of domestic and sexual violence. She also served as Executive Director of the NM Suicide Prevention Coalition and is founder and Co-Chair of Rain Cloud, the off-reservation behavioral health collaborative in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She is a survivor of domestic violence, a writer, a grassroots organizer, advocate, and a community activist. She has made a commitment to social change in working to address social, environmental, and economic justice issues that affect the health and well-being of Indian people as documented in her work experience.

Waylon "Pee" Pahona, Hopi Tewa/ Maricopa

Waylon Pahona Jr. Hopi Tewa/ Maricopa grew up on the Hopi Reservation. Waylon is well known for transforming his life and being the founder/creator of Healthy Active Natives (HAN's). The HAN's social networking group on Facebook currently has over 76,000 HAN members nationally and internationally. When creating Healthy Active Native's in 2012, Waylon's vision was for HAN's to be a space where Natives welcome all fitness levels and use positive reinforcement to pick each other up when it seems impossible to make positive changes. In 2013 Waylon also received the Healthy Innovation award by IHS Indian Health Services for his social media group. Waylon is also an Ambassador to Tanka Bar jerky.

Timothy S. Ruise, Cahuilla Band of Indians
SIWWC's Native 2S/LGBTQ+ Advisory Council Member
Strong Hearted Native Women's Coalition

Timothy is an enrolled Tribal member of the Cahuilla Band of Indians, He is a descendant of the Payōmkawichum, nLuiseño Indians, Colorado River Indian Tribes, Ft. Mohave, Arizona, and the lipāy Nation of Santa Ysabel, Ca. Timothy was born on the Rincon Indian Reservation, Valley Center, Ca. He is the eldest of four boys born to Juanita Ruise.

Timothy has worked for tribal communities for over 17 years. Working with FEMA and Homeland Security as an Emergency Response Liaison on natural disaster and preparation for tribal communities. He has served the La Jolla Band of Indians by working various jobs within the community.

Timothy now serves his community by advocating, supporting, and dedicating himself to be a voice and presence within the indigenous community for the Two-SpiritLGBTQ Folks. He currently works

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with the Strong Hearted Native Women's Coalition as the Community Outreach Coordinator. Timothy Loves to spend time with his family, His work in the community, skydiving, photography, poetry, travel and experiencing new culture to grow and learn from. Timothy will continue to serve his Indigenous communities to reclaim the positive change we need in the world.

Whirlwind Bull Yellow Bear, Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nations

Whirlwind Bull Yellow Bear is an enrolled member of MHA Nation, he is Sahnish (Arikara) and Dakota. He is a husband, father, singer, Peer Support Specialist, and community organizer and is currently the Wellness Court Recovery Coach for Ft. Berthold District Court.

Whirlwind Bull believes in strengthening Indigenous communities and families by utilizing cultural values. He understands Indigenous men face many negative stigmas and advocates for creating safe spaces for men. Healing is imperative in breaking generational trauma and cycles of violence and neglect. To be a positive male role model, Whirlwind hosts men's talking circles and offers a youth survival summer camp to encourage young men to connect to the land and themselves. Whirlwind also hosts powwow singing and dance practices for youth hoping to spark passion for the same traditions with which he was raised.

Kimberly Yellow Robe, Sicangu Lakota Oyate (Burnt Thigh People)

Banner University Health Plans

Kimberly Yellow Robe, DHA, MBA, is an enrolled member of the Sicangu Lakota Oyate (Burnt Thigh People) Rosebud, South Dakota. Mrs. Yellow Robe is the BUHP Associate Director, Tribal Coordination.

She has been an advocate and shares expertise working with American Indians with Disabilities for 30 years. Kimberly is Chairperson and Founder of the American Indian Youth with Disabilities Summit, and Co-Chairs the 19th Annual Arizona American Indian Disability Summit. She has served on disability advisory councils, health boards and planning committees focused on homeless, veterans, and individuals with disabilities. Kimberly is a member of the National Indian Council on Aging, Technical Advisory Panel, revising the American Indian with Disabilities Toolkit. Kimberly shares Lakota heritage and culture through Lakota storytelling of the White Buffalo Calf Woman. The story highlights Lakota virtues such as courage, bravery and compassion. Kimberly is a Northern Traditional dancer. Her husband Andrew, and family members include Zoe (24), Chelsea (23), Scott (20) and Chloe (14) reside in Mesa, AZ.

EXHIBITORS/VENDORS

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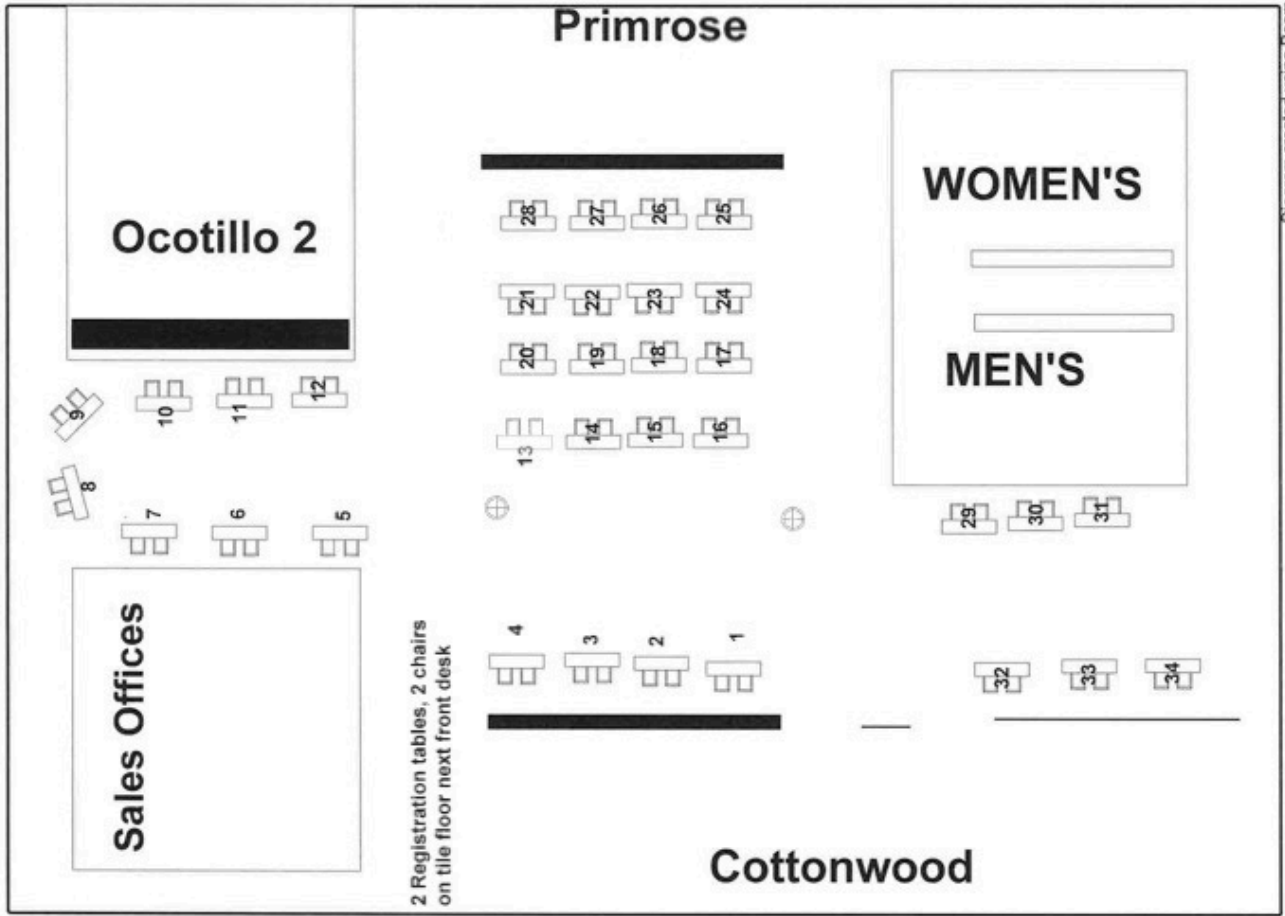


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- Laughing All Somehow
- Live Life Powerfully
- Lorena T. Halwood
- Native Hands
- Real Tough Apparel
- Reman Wampum
- Sands Works and Designs
- Southwest Indian Jewelry
- Three Precious Miracles

COMMUNITY BASED & HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS

- Arizona Child & Adolescent Survivor Initiative(ACASI)
- Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence
- Arizona Governor's Office on Youth, Faith and Family
- Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community, Foster Care - Native Homes for Native Children
- The Strong Heart Study/MedStar Health

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