

# COMMUNITY UPDATE

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## Did You Know...

The Navajo name for December is Ní'ch'ítsoh — which means 'Big Winds'.

## Upcoming Events

**December 1:** Chapter Website Training

**December 25:** Christmas

**January 1:** New Year's Day



## Kayenta (Todacheenie) Powerline

By Tiauna Begay

On November 1, 2017, a final inspection was conducted for the Kayenta (Todacheenie) powerline project. The newly installed powerline ran for a total of 4.45 miles and is providing electricity to 5 homes. NTUA was able to install the powerlines and split the cost of \$338,726 with Kayenta Chapter to serve community members. The project initially started August 21, 2017 and was completed October 5, 2017. The final inspection task was running a routine check on the powerlines. As of today, the powerlines are working and the 5 homes it powers are lit just in time for the holidays.

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DCD's staff, James Adakai (Programs and Projects Specialist) and field staff coordinated the task with other partners in order to achieve this long-time coming infrastructure need. They also received plenty of help from Albert Tinhorn (Kayenta Chapter Manager). After several months of planning, constructing, and successfully completing this project, everyone involved felt a great sense of accomplishment.



## DCD Thanksgiving Luncheon



Vice President Jonathan M. Nez making an appearance and giving a motivational speech.



ASC Department Manager Johnny Johnson giving DCD's Thanksgiving luncheon a thumbs up!

By Tiauna Begay

The DCD staff had a Thanksgiving luncheon on the 17th of November at Ft. Defiance Chapter house. Staff members signed up to bring several dishes, drinks, and utensils. The luncheon was very fun and festive for the staff with rounds of bingo being played with jokes told on the side. This event was a time to relax and have fun.

There was also a surprise visit from the Vice President of the Navajo Nation – Jonathan M. Nez. Vice President Nez provided an amazing, encouraging, and motivating speech for the DCD staff. He commended everyone for their work and wished everyone a great holiday season.

As you can imagine, the food was delicious and amazing. There was turkey, ham, all manner of salads, yams, mashed potatoes and gravy, and a variety of pies. Working as a team is key so when they were putting this luncheon together, our staff communicated and came through on all the tasks they were given.

# Tsé íí' áhé Receives New Truck and Trailer



By Tiauna Begay

In September 2017, CPMD Project Manager, Elmer Johnson, helped Tsé íí' áhé (Standing Rock) Chapter purchase a utility trailer and truck to haul heavy equipment for the local Standing Rock community and chapter. The total cost for the utility truck and trailer was \$75,000.

Tsé íí' áhé chapter put up \$5,000 and the remaining \$70,000 came from the New Mexico Capital Outlay Funds. With this project, there were two individuals that were heavily involved with the process of getting the equipment for the Tsé íí' áhé community, Janice Padilla (Tsé íí' áhé Community Service Coordinator) and Johnny Johnson (Tsé íí' áhé Chapter President).

## ROCK SPRINGS COMMUNITY ROAD COMPLETED



By Tiauna Begay

On Thursday, November 30, 2017 the community of Rock Springs received .32 linear distance paved road leading to the NHA housing. While in the beginning stages of planning to repave the road DCD's Executive Director Carl Smith (resident of Rock Springs) supported the project strongly and attended a discussion meeting. This project was led by Rock Springs Chapter Coordinator Brenda Jesus and Seth Damon. The initial cost of the project was \$110,000 which NHA was able to provide Rock Springs.

With the improvement and growth coming from the community of Rock Springs more opportunities have been coming insight. Project plans such as redirecting secured money to fix North Chapel Hill road, Social services interested in putting up a Daycare, and two entrepreneurs from Phoenix, AZ looking to build a laundromat.



# HAPPY NEW YEAR

## *Dilkon Powerline*



James Adakai (Programs and Projects specialist), Patrick Dalgai (Field Supervisor), Jerome Meyers (Field Supervisor), and Delvin Wauneka (Construction Supervisor), all with CDBG, are proud to announce that the Dilkon Powerline project is completed and now providing electricity to 8 homes. This powerline runs 6.68 miles at a total cost of \$594,263 for the project. Community Development Block Grant, NTUA, and Dilkon Chapter came together to serve the community of Dilkon.

This Project started August 21, 2017 and ended October 19, 2017. With all the hard work put in by our DCD workers and through coordination with the Dilkon Chapter and Dilkon NTUA District office, the project was completed with a final inspection on August 9, 2017.

# Bulletin Board

## **NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL CONDEMNS DOWNSIZING OF BEARS EARS NATIONAL MONUMENT**

Leaders of the Navajo Nation are extremely disappointed in President Trump's announcement that he will diminish the size of the Bears Ears National Monument. President Trump made the announcement at the Utah State Capitol on Monday.

Former President Obama designated the national monument on Dec. 28, 2016. The proclamation established the Bears Ears Commission to guide and provide recommendations on management of the landscape and, for the first time, traditional knowledge is honored as a resource to be protected. Navajo people continue to use the monument to collect firewood, herbs, and medicine, and to hunt.

[http://www.navajo-nsn.gov/News%20Releases/NNCouncil/2017/dec/FOR%20IMMEDIATE%20RELEASE%20-%20Navajo%20Nation%20Council%20condemns%20downsizing%20of%20Bears%20Ears%20National%20Monument\\_opt.pdf?](http://www.navajo-nsn.gov/News%20Releases/NNCouncil/2017/dec/FOR%20IMMEDIATE%20RELEASE%20-%20Navajo%20Nation%20Council%20condemns%20downsizing%20of%20Bears%20Ears%20National%20Monument_opt.pdf?)

## **VICE PRESIDENT NEZ MAKES DELIVERY TO MILITARY ORGANIZATION**

This weekend, Vice President Jonathan Nez delivered over 600 pounds of candy collected from the candy exchange events to the Four Corners Blue Star Mothers. The candy will be included with at least 70 Christmas care packages mailed to active duty soldiers stateside and those deployed overseas.

<https://us15.campaign-archive.com/?u=0bf367cc7bf787cb9b02b21c8&id=5b77bbb0d9>

## **Veterans march against veto, override drafted**

The Navajo veterans' protest against President Russell Begaye's veto of the Veterans Trust Fund amendments went on as planned last Thursday morning.

<https://navajotimes.com/rezpolitics/veterans-march-against-veto-override-drafted/>

# Navajo Nation Census Information Center News

## Commuting, Median Rents and Language Other Than English Use in the Home on the Rise

New American Community Survey Statistics Provide Local Data for Every Community Nationwide

NEWS RELEASE: CB17-204 -- DEC. 7, 2017 — The nation experienced an increase in commuting times and median gross rent along with a rise in English proficiency among those who spoke another language. These are only a few of the statistics released today from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2012-2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates, which features more than 40 social, economic, housing and demographic topics, including homeowner rates and costs, health insurance and educational attainment.

“The American Community Survey allows us to track incremental changes across our nation on how people live and work, year-to-year,” said David Waddington, chief of the Social, Economic, and Housing Statistics Division. “It’s our country’s only source of small area estimates for socio-economic and demographic characteristics. These estimates help people, businesses and governments throughout the country better understand the needs of their populations, the markets in which they operate and the challenges and opportunities they face.”

The survey produces statistics for all of the nation’s 3,142 counties. In addition, it is the only full dataset available for three-fourths of all counties with populations too small to produce a complete set of single-year statistics (2,322 counties). Each year, Census Bureau data helps determine how more than \$675 billion of federal funding are spent on infrastructure and services, from highways to schools to hospitals.

### Data Highlights

The following highlights are from the 2012-2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates release, unless otherwise noted.

### Commuting Characteristics

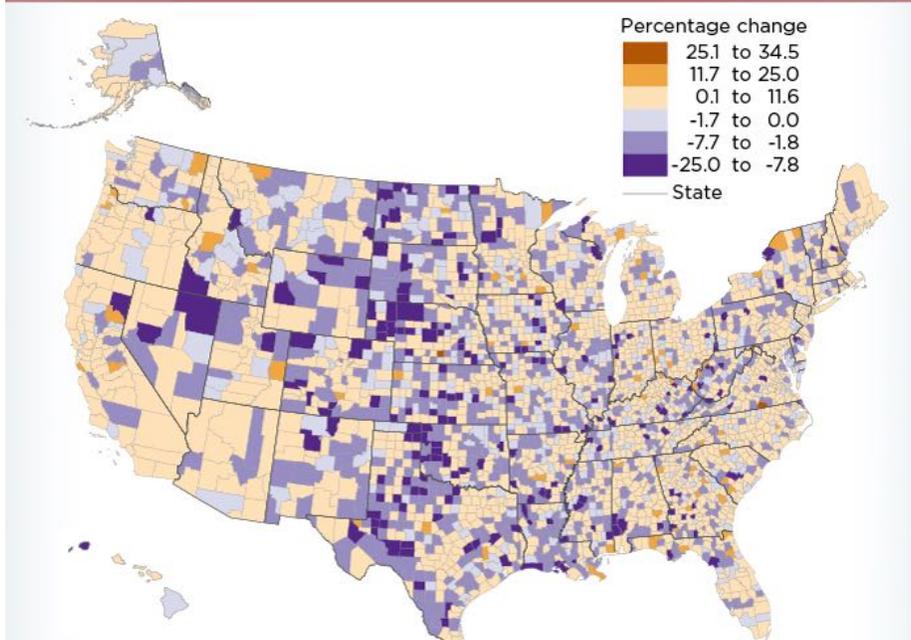
Between 2012 and 2016, the average commute time for the nation was 26.1 minutes, an increase of 0.7 minutes from 25.4 minutes in the 2007-2011 American Community Survey five-year estimates data.

### Language Spoken at Home and English-Speaking Ability

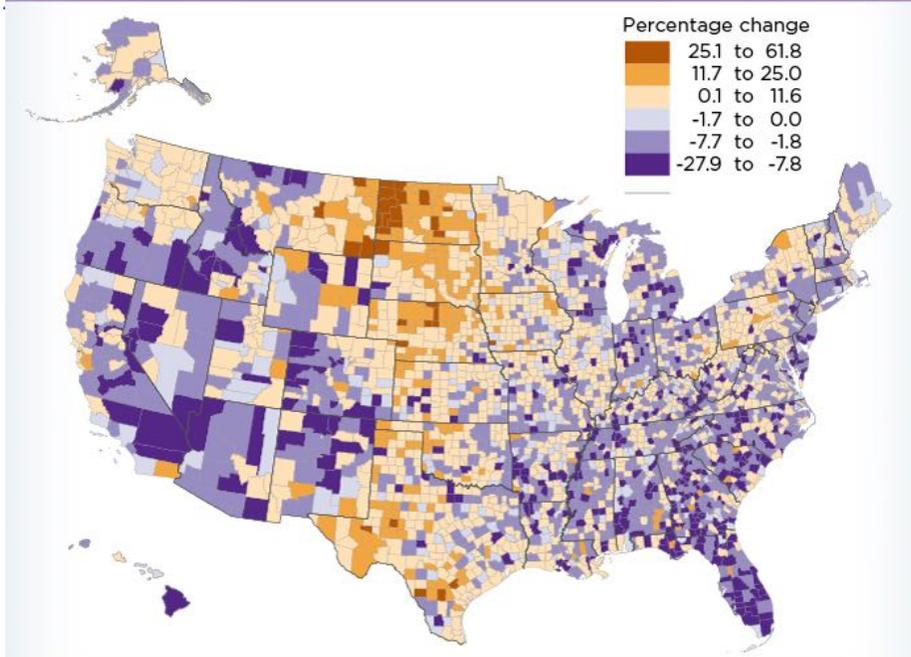
Between 2012 and 2016, 21.1 percent (63,172,059) of the population age 5 and older spoke a language other than English at home, an increase from 20.3 percent in the 2007-2011 American Community Survey five-year estimates data.

**READ MORE AT:** <https://www.census.gov/newsroom/press-releases/2017/acs-5yr.html>

 **Percentage Change in Median Household Income of the Total Population by County: 2015 to 2016**



 **Percentage Change in Median Household Income of the Total Population by County: 2007 to 2016**



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Source: U.S. Census Bureau,  
Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates  
(SAIPE) Program, 2016

PERSONNEL NEWS

**DCD OPEN POSITIONS**

**Chapter Community Services Coordinator:**

Rough Rock, AZ  
Wide Ruins, AZ

**Chapter Accounts Maintenance Specialists:**

Tsaile, AZ  
Alamo, NM  
Iyanbito, NM  
Standing Rock, NM  
Pinedale, NM  
Tsayatoh, NM  
Tohatchi, NM  
Jeddito, AZ  
Crystal, NM  
Kaibeto, AZ  
Navajo Mountain, AZ



***ALL POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED***

For the most up-to-date personnel info, please visit DPM's website at  
<http://www.dpm.navajo-nsn.gov/jobs.html>

# Google Calendar

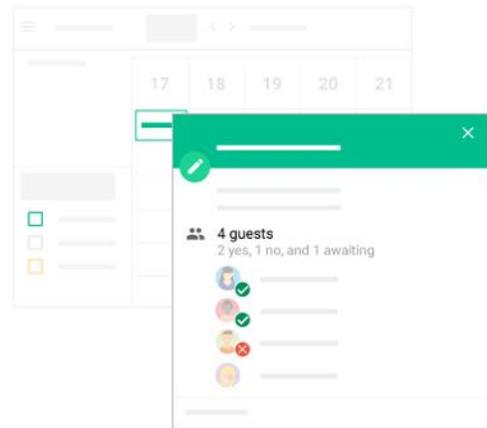
## Learn what's new in Google Calendar

Google Calendar has a new look, with a number of new event, calendar view, and settings features to help you manage your time more efficiently and get stuff done. Here are some highlights.

### See event details at a glance

When you click an event once, you can see all the event details including:

- The entire guest list with RSVP responses (Note: To get more information about a guest from the event details, point to their name in the guest list.)
- Rooms and locations
- Attachments
- Any video call links
- And more



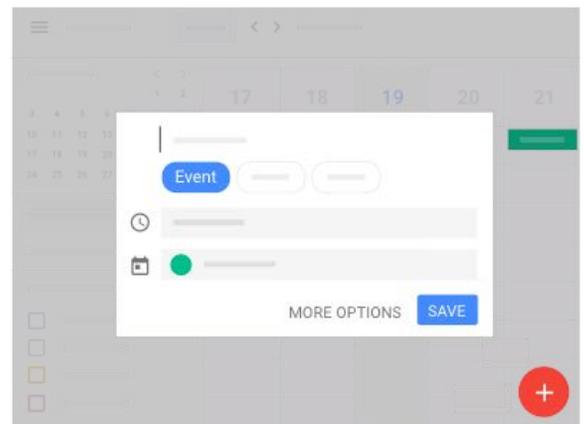
**Tip:** You can right-click an event to quickly join the meeting, delete it, or change the color.

### Quickly add new events

You can create new events when you click on an empty space on your calendar.

Here you can add the following details:

- Name of the event
- Time of the event
- The calendar the event is part of. If you want to add guests or edit more details, click More Options.
- You can also create new events by clicking on the Add event button Add.



## New view options

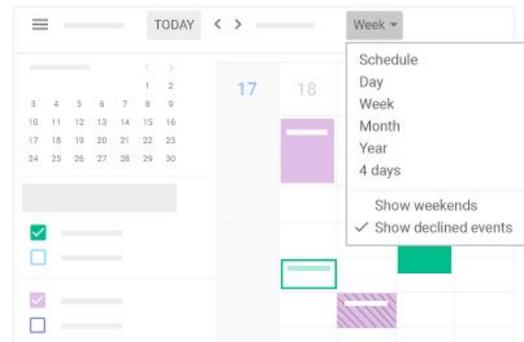
Your calendar will now show event invitation status, let you choose how much or how little to see. Calendar will remember the changes you made for the next time you sign in, until you change them again.

### Invitation status

Events on your calendar look different depending on how you've responded:

- If you're attending an event, the event will be a solid color.
- If you've answered maybe to an event, you'll see diagonal lines across it.
- If you haven't replied yet, you'll just see the event's outline.
- If you said no, you'll only see the outline and the event will be crossed out.

Learn how to respond to event invitations.



### Customize how you see your calendar

You can now choose to show or hide weekends when viewing your calendar.

- To see the whole year at a glance, choose Year view.
- In Day view, you can view two or more calendars from different people or places at the same time side by side.
- To control the layout density and color set of your Calendar, click Settings Settings and then Density and color

You can choose density of Responsive to your screen or Compact, and between a Modern or Classic color set.

Note: You can turn off side by side events in the Settings page.

### See other calendars

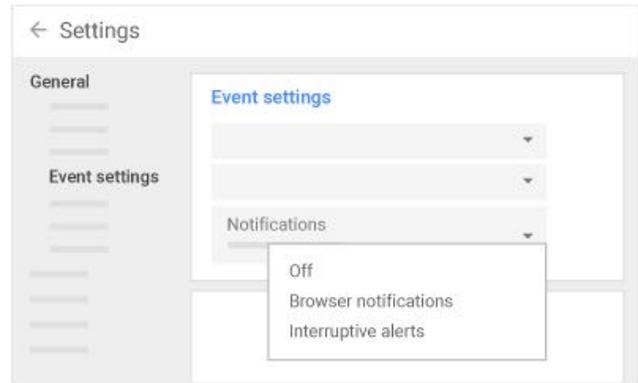
To show or hide other calendars on the left hand of the screen, click the Main menu button Menu. From this side panel, you can do the following:

- To unsubscribe from a calendar: Point at calendar's name, then click Unsubscribe from calendar
- To hide a calendar: Point at the calendar's name and then Options More and then Hide from list.

## Manage settings in one place

To open the new settings page, click SettingsSettings and then Settings.

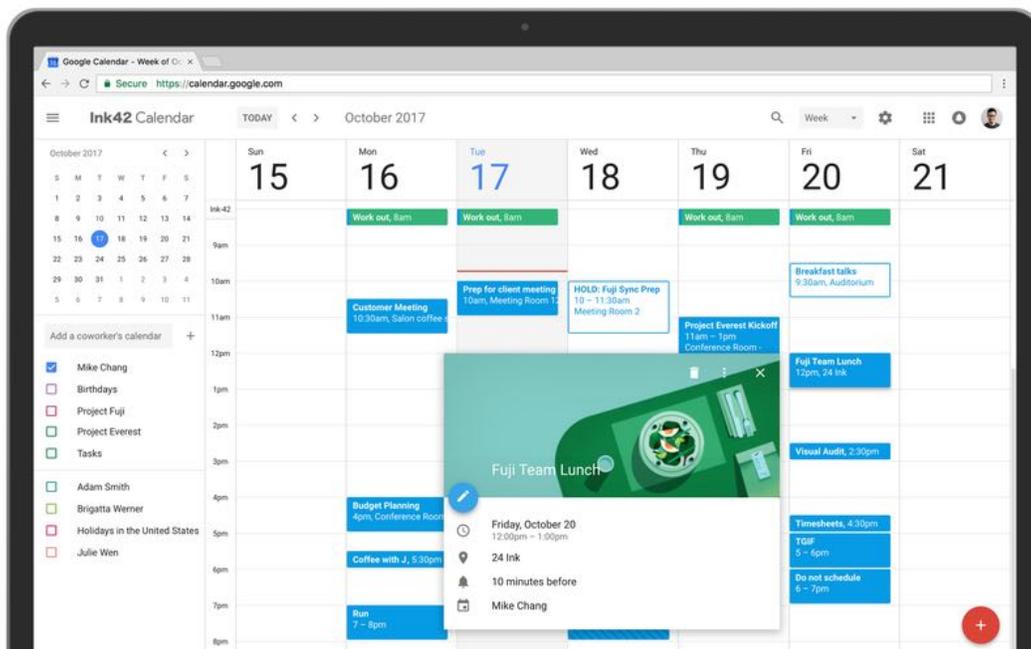
- To share a calendar or change permissions: On the left of the Settings page, click the name of the calendar you want to share. Then, choose your sharing settings.
- To see deleted events in one place: In the top right hand corner, click Settings Settings and then Trash Remove.



## Try the new Calendar

1. On a computer, open **Google Calendar**.
2. On the top right of your screen click **Use new Calendar**.
3. To go back to the old Calendar at any time, click the Gear: **Settings** and then: **Back to classic Calendar**.

<https://goo.gl/KZci8a>





## 2018 HÓZHÓQÍ NÁHÁT'Á

January 29<sup>th</sup>- 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018

Crowne Plaza Hotel,  
1901 University Blvd NE  
Albuquerque, New Mexico  
(505) 884.2500

Registration fee: \$150.00

Register at [www.nndcd.org](http://www.nndcd.org) or [www.navajochapters.org](http://www.navajochapters.org)

Registration closes: January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 5:00 P.M.

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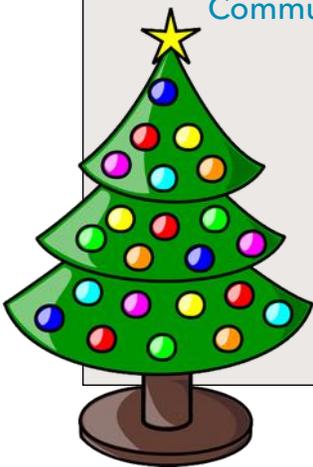
Chapter	Agency	LGA Cert. Date		Chapter	Agency	LGA Cert. Date
1 Nahata Dziil	Ft. Defiance	8/16/02		1 Newcomb	Northern	6/18/04
2 Steamboat	Ft. Defiance	5/30/03		2 San Juan	Northern	3/7/07
3 Cornfields	Ft. Defiance	7/14/10		3 Tse'Daa'Kaan	Northern	6/21/07
4 Naschitti	Ft. Defiance	11/22/10		4 Sheepsprings	Northern	8/24/07
5 Lupton	Ft. Defiance	11/24/10		5 Tolikan	Northern	11/29/10
6 Dilkon	Ft. Defiance	12/21/10		6 Toadlena/Two Grey Hills	Northern	1/10/11
7 Greasewood Springs	Ft. Defiance	12/21/10		7 Burnham	Northern	7/11/11
8 Kinlichee	Ft. Defiance	12/29/10		8 Beclabito	Northern	1/10/12
9 Teesto	Ft. Defiance	7/11/11		9 Mexican Water	Northern	2/7/12
10 Ganado	Ft. Defiance	12/2/14		10 Upper Fruitland	Northern	2/28/12
11 Houck	Ft. Defiance	12/2/14		11 Aneth	Northern	3/31/15
12 Ft. Defiance	Ft. Defiance	1/15/16		12 Cove	Northern	4/5/15
<b>TOTAL: 12</b>				<b>TOTAL: 12</b>		

Chapter	Agency	LGA Cert. Date		Chapter	Agency	LGA Cert. Date
1 Shonto	Western	9/22/99		1 Chinle	Chinle	12/21/10
2 Tuba City	Western	12/27/04		2 Pinon	Chinle	2/21/12
3 Kayenta	Western	8/6/10		3 Whippoorwill Springs	Chinle	12/2/14
4 Bodaway/Gap	Western	12/21/10		4 Nazlini	Chinle	2/17/15
5 Birdsprings	Western	7/11/11		<b>TOTAL: 4</b>		
6 Chilchinbeto	Western	7/11/11				
7 Leupp	Western	7/11/11				
8 LeChee	Western	1/31/12				
9 Dennehotso	Western	2/14/12				
10 Tonalea	Western	12/2/14				
11 Ts'ah Bii' Kin	Western	6/24/16				
<b>TOTAL 11</b>						

Chapter	Agency	LGA Cert. Date
1 Littlewater	Eastern	11/15/07
2 Baahaali	Eastern	12/24/08
3 Whiterock	Eastern	12/21/10
4 Ojo Encino	Eastern	3/6/12
5 Baca/Prewitt	Eastern	12/22/14
6 Casamero Lake	Eastern	4/15/15
<b>TOTAL: 6</b>		

**TOTAL CERTIFICATION : 45**

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