LUKACHUKAI CHAPTER
MOBILIZES FOR SNOW EMERGENCY

During the February 2019 snowstorm that hit the Navajo Nation, people faced tough road conditions and the frigid cold. For those in very remote areas behind nearly impassable roads, or for those who are vulnerable, such as the elderly, access to supplies was critical. Fortunately, Chapters like Lukachukai, stepped up and made sure their community members were assisted during the snowstorm. Communicating through their FaceBook page, they wrote, "Thank you to everyone involved for taking the time to drive their loved ones to the chapter or helping them fill out the request form... Our efforts in getting everyone assisted one way or another shall continue. Lukachukai Chapter officials and staff are hard at work delivering wood to our high risk elders to help them prepare for the coming storm. ~Lukachukai Chapter Officials & Staff." During the snowstorm, Lukachukai assisted over 300 community members. Amazing job Lukachukai Chapter!
John Kinsel
Was an honor being in the home of Lukachukai, AZ’s, very own Navajo Code Talker, Mr. John Kinsel Sr. and have him share a story with me. We assisted him with the much-needed necessities for this cold weather.

CSC
Our awesome Community Service Coordinator hard at work! — at Lukachukai Chapter Government.

Breaking snow
Breaking through about 10" of snow. — at Lukachukai Chapter Government

OS -- VP
Our Office Specialist out delivering wood/coal/food with the President & Vice President. — at Lukachukai Chapter Government.
VP Sandoval
Vice President Philip Sandoval Jr. getting a food pack to an elder. — at Lukachukai Chapter Government.

VP Unloading
Vice President assisting in unloading. — at Lukachukai Chapter Government.

President
Our Chapter President Samuel Yazzie with our helpers checking on the individual. — at Lukachukai Chapter Government.
Navajo Nation Community Housing and Infrastructure Development Update

Newly-formed Housing Task Force Committee meets every Monday morning to discuss gaps, overlapping and duplication of housing assistance services for the Navajo Nation. Other discussions include building codes for commercial and residential units, Housing Summit, and maximizing resources for housing developments.

Housing Task Force members: NHA, Navajo Hopi Land Commission, Navajo Nation Veteran's Office, CHID, DCD, and OPVP.

Navajo Nation Division of Community Development RDC Orientation

On March 26, 2019, Division of Community Development provided RDC members an orientation on the division's mission, goals, budgets, and strategic goals. Each department was provided time to go through the details of their department to update the RDC members.
New Mexico State Senate votes to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day

BY ARIS FOLLEY - 03/16/19 07:08 PM EDT

The New Mexico state Senate voted to approve legislation to abolish Columbus Day and replace the national holiday with Indigenous Peoples Day.

The state Senate passed the legislation, also known as House Bill 100, in a 22-15 vote on Friday, the Albuquerque Journal reports.

The bill, which has already been approved by the state House, now heads to the desk of New Mexico Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham (D) for consideration.

Proponents of the measure argue that the passage of the bill, which was sponsored by Democratic state Reps. Derrick Lente and Andrea Romero, would better reflect the state’s culture.

According to 2017 U.S. Census data, more than 12 percent of the state’s population is comprised of Native Americans.

The report comes months after San Francisco’s primary legislative body voted to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day in an effort to recognize the “historic discrimination and violence” against Native Americans in the U.S.

Lawmakers in Kansas are also considering abolishing Columbus Day and replacing the holiday with Indigenous Peoples Day.

If passed, House Bill 100 would make New Mexico the fourth state in the country to enact the such legislation.

On Friday, March 1, 2019, the Teec Nos Pos Community celebrated the renovation of their chapter house. The Chapter had seen different stages of deterioration starting with a leaking roof and led to other damage. The chapter along with the Capital Projects Management Department worked hard to get the necessary funding from the Navajo Nation, Utah Navajo Trust Fund, and other sources including the Chapter’s own funds. The Chapter building had been closed for 10 years due to the damages, but with the renovation completed, the community can begin using it again.

The celebration included speeches by chapter officials and President Jonathan Nez. There was also a special appearance and speech by former Chairman Peter MacDonald. Two members of the CPMD staff were also honored for their assistance with a plaque presented to Ed Preston, Registered Architect, and Leo Barber, Jr., Project Manager.

The festivities concluded with a catered meal served by the chapter to all in attendance.
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Navajo Nation Announces New Class of Navy Ships

By Ed Adamczyk - United Press International

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – The Navajo Nation proudly announces that Secretary of the Navy Richard V. Spencer has named the new class of U.S. Navy Towing, Salvage, and Rescue ships Navajo. The class is named in honor of the Navajo people’s storied contributions to the American military, who have served in the armed forces for decades at a higher degree than the national participation rate.

“Throughout our history, the Diné people have always been the caretakers and protectors of our land in every branch of the armed services so we are very grateful that our people are being recognized through this historic announcement from the Navy,” said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez. “I also want to thank all of the past leaders who advocated and supported this initiative over the years.”

“The Navajo people have fought and served our armed forces with honor and valor in nearly all major conflicts since the birth of our nation, so it is fitting and right to name a new class of ship in their honor,” said Secretary Spencer. “The Navajo class of Towing, Salvage, and Rescue ships will serve our nation and continue the legacy of the Navajo people, and all Native Americans.”

During World War II, the Navajo Code Talkers, Marines Corps service members under the Department of the Navy, fought in the Pacific Theater transmitting top secret messages. By the war’s end, over 400 Code Talkers were trained for this essential service.

In the invasion of Iwo Jima alone, Code Talkers sent over 800 messages without error. Major Howard Connor, who was the Code Talkers’ signal officer at Iwo Jima, said, “Were it not for the Navajos, the Marines would never have taken Iwo Jima.”

The new class of vessels will be based on existing commercial towing offshore vessel designs and will replace the current T-ATF 166 and T-ARS 50 class ships. The first ship of this class will be named USNS Navajo and designated T-ATS 6.
Each additional ship in the class will be named in honor of prominent Native Americans or Native American tribes. The late Senator John McCain (AZ), who retired from the Navy with the rank of captain, strongly supported the effort to name the ship class in honor of the Navajo People."

John worked hard to ensure the Navajo Nation’s contributions to our security and culture were recognized by the U.S. Navy in the manner in which it traditionally pays tribute to important American communities. I’m so pleased, and I know John would be very gratified, that the Navy has now officially named a United States Naval Ship Navajo, a deserved and overdue honor,” Cindy McCain, the late Senator McCain’s wife of 38 years, said in a statement.

After Senator McCain’s passing, Senator Martha McSally (AZ) carried forward the effort in coordination with the Navy.

“The Navajo People have an incredibly rich legacy of military service and deserve to have a class of U.S. Navy ships named in their honor. Arizonans are proud of this recognition of the Navajo Nation which was fought for and secured by Senator McCain. This is yet another example of how his legacy will live on,” Senator McSally said in a statement.

Former Navajo Nation Council Speaker LoRenzo Bates coordinated the naming project during his speaker administration. He passed on the project to current Navajo Nation Council Speaker Seth Damon ( Bááhááíí, Chichiltah, Manuelito, Tsé Lichíí’, Rock Springs, Tsayatoh) when he assumed office.

“I extend a strong ahéhee’ to the efforts of Secretary Spencer and the late Senator McCain to advance this effort. Our Navajo people, including several council delegates, have a strong tradition of defense of this land. I would also like to recognize the current Navajo service members around the world protecting freedom and delivering humanitarian aid,” said Speaker Damon.

Read more at: https://www.upi.com/Navy-to-honor-Navajo-Nation-with-new-class-of-vessels/9961552498608/
On Thursday, March 14, 2019, members of the U.S. Census Bureau from Washington, D.C. and Denver met with members of the Navajo Nation at the Quality Inn. Mr. Arbin Mitchell, Census 2020 Partnership Specialist, moderated the meeting. After introductions, Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez welcomed the delegation and spoke about the need to have an accurate count on Navajo. He expressed that many Navajos consider sleeping arrangements for work as temporary and their permanent home is back on the Navajo Nation. These people should be counted on the Navajo Nation at their permanent residence. He also expressed that he wants the 2020 Census count to be a priority for his administration.

Next, Dale Kelly, Chief of Field Operations, from Census Bureau Headquarters, spoke about the recruitment efforts underway, citizenship question, public service announcements for Census, and details of what Census has planned for the Window Rock Office. Other speakers were Vicki McIntire from the Census Bureau Denver Office and Dwight Witherspoon from the Office of the Speaker.
BILL ON MISSING, MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN UNANIMOUSLY PASSES ARIZONA HOUSE

TUCSON, Ariz. — Arizona could soon form a task force to tackle the subject of missing and murdered indigenous women in Arizona.

A bill to do just that passed the state House of Representatives unanimously Monday. It will still have to pass the Senate and receive a signature from the governor to become law.

The bill calls for representatives from the Attorney General’s office, Department of Public Safety Director, victim advocates, law enforcement officers and American Indian tribes in Arizona to figure out how to track and reduce violence against indigenous women in the state.


NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL WELCOMES NEW DEPUTY NM CABINET SECRETARY

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – 24th Navajo Nation Council Speaker Seth Damon congratulates Nadine Padilla on her appointment as Deputy Cabinet Secretary for the State of New Mexico Indian Affairs Department.

“The Council welcomes Deputy Cabinet Secretary Padilla to her new position. I am confident she will use her significant experience and expertise to produce a healthy working relationship between the Navajo Nation and the state,” Speaker Damon stated.

Indian Affairs Secretary Lynn Trujillo announced the appointment Tuesday. “I am very excited to work with Nadine to ensure the Indian Affairs department strengthens its relationships and collaboration with the 23 sovereign tribes in New Mexico,” Secretary Trujillo said. “I am confident in her ability to serve this administration, this department and most importantly the 23 sovereign nations and Indian people in New Mexico.”

Padilla is citizen of the Navajo Nation from Bluewater Lake and Baca Chapter. Her previous experience includes work to protect Tsoodzíł (Mt. Taylor), the sacred southern mountain, from uranium mining. She holds a bachelors from Fort Lewis College and a Juris Doctorate from the University of New Mexico School of Law.

READ MORE AT: http://bit.ly/2F1L0fx

PRESIDENT NEZ REQUESTS GOV. LUJAN GRISHAM TO APPROVE CAPITAL OUTLAY FUNDS FOR NAVAJO COMMUNITIES

SANTA FE – On Friday, Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez and Council Delegate Edmund Yazzie met with Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham at the New Mexico State Capitol to discuss S.B. 280, which provides over $28 million in Capital Outlay Funds for Navajo communities in the state of New Mexico.

Last week, members of the New Mexico Senate approved the bill.

“On behalf of the Navajo people, we ask for Gov. Lujan Grisham’s support to fund much-needed infrastructure development projects to help Navajo communities. We would greatly appreciate the Governor to approve one of the largest investments of Capital Outlay Funds for the Navajo Nation,” said President Nez.

The bill provides over $933 million across the entire state for various projects.

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

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**COMIC OF THE MONTH**

![Graph showing planned vs. actual results](image)
2020 Census Hiring of Thousands of Workers Ramps Up

Temporary Workers Are Recruited for Address Canvassing

ROBERT BERNSTEIN | MARCH 12, 2019

The hiring of hundreds of thousands of temporary workers for the 2020 Census – often described as the nation’s largest civilian mobilization — is now underway.

The Census Bureau has already begun recruiting and hiring people to work on an important preliminary operation for the 2020 Census that begins in August.

Known as In-Field Address Canvassing, this is the process of having field staff visit specific geographic areas to identify every place where people live or could live. The staff then compare what they see on the ground to the existing census address list. They verify, correct, or add address and location information.

As of March 4, more than 170,000 recruits had already completed job applications to qualify for temporary census jobs and more than 800 had been hired.

Thanks to key innovations and new technology including spatial imagery, address canvassing will be easier to do, less labor intensive and more cost efficient than in years past.

Once the Address Canvassing operation is completed in October 2019, the Census Bureau will finalize the address list for the 2020 Census. That list will be used to mail out invitations to complete the 2020 Census.

Thousands of Workers Needed

The Census Bureau is working to fill thousands of positions nationwide in order to update this address list. As of March 4, more than 170,000 recruits had already completed job applications to qualify for temporary census jobs and more than 800 had been hired.
More will be hired through the year for jobs in the spring and summer of 2020. That’s when census workers knock on doors to interview people who don’t respond to the census.

Applicants can qualify for both field and office positions. The office positions, which are more limited, will be located in area census offices. The role of these offices is to recruit, select, hire, train, manage, and pay all office and field staff who work within the designated boundaries of the geographic territory assigned to the office.

Between January and March 2019, 39 area census offices for the Address Canvassing operation will become ready for business (see 2020census.gov/jobs/locations/national-map.html for a map and pay rates). Ultimately, another 209 such offices will open by September as the 2020 Census gears up for peak operations. That includes going door to door to follow up with households that don’t initially respond.

**Easy to Apply**

Applying for one of these jobs is simple. Just visit 2020census/jobs or call 855-JOB-2020 and select option 3 for more information. Pay rates for field and clerical jobs can be found at: 2020census.gov/jobs/locations/national-map.html.

Those who are being considered for a position will receive a telephone interview. If offered a job, they will receive instructions on next steps via email.

Applicants will need to complete paperwork online and make an appointment to get fingerprinted for the background check. Once they are offered the job, there will be a period of time before their start date to allow time for the background clearance process. To search for possible management positions, go to USAjobs.gov.

If applicants are not selected for the Address Canvassing operation, they may be called later if positions open later this year or in 2020. Their applications will remain on file.

*Robert Bernstein is Team Lead, Stakeholder Relations Staff in the Census Bureau’s Decennial Communications Coordination Office.*

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The Census Bureau is currently accepting applications online for positions at the future Window Rock Area Census Office. There will be several positions filled for the new Window Rock Office including Office Managers, Field Managers, and other support staff.

Around February 15-22, 2019, manager positions will be posted online. Employees are expected to begin working by June 2019 at the Window Rock Office.

The establishment of the Window Rock Office has already been delayed due to the federal government shutdown the past few weeks. The General Services Administration, who is working on getting the office situated near the Navajo Nation Fair Grounds in Window Rock, was affected by the shutdown and was unable to do any work during that time. There may be further delays if the government experiences further shutdowns. These delays will affect the exact timeframe for when the office will be opening.

To apply online and to get further information about the application process, go to http://www.2020census.gov/jobs
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