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SPECIAL COVID-19

The Klamath Tribes Declaration- 2020 COVID-19 Virus Emergency

After careful consideration of all the recent Coronavirus (COVID-19) developments, and to reduce the exposure of risk to employees, Klamath Tribal Members, and the community at-large, Klamath Tribal Council and the Klamath Tribes Incident Emergency Management Team have closed the majority of all Tribal offices (with exception of the Wellness Medical Center) and has suspended non-essential services at this time. We will re-evaluate the situation after April 30, 2020.

During these difficult times of the Covid-19 shutdown, we want you to know we're here for you.

Daily updates and notices are provided via our Websites and Facebook at:
www.klamathtribalhealth.org & www.klamathtribes.org

Facebook: Klamath Tribal Health or The Official Klamath Tribes

If you have a personal email and would like to be included in the Tribal Notice E-List, please email your information to: taylor.tupper@klamathtribes.com

The Klamath Tribal Council and our Emergency Management Team will continue to make safety and health a top priority for employees, Tribal Members and the Community. Please remember, prevention is key in slowing the spread of the virus through good hand hygiene, staying informed, and keeping your distance from others. We thank everyone for your continued understanding as we promote the - *Stay at home and Save Lives Effort.*

*This e-newsletter provides important Tribal Office/Essential Staff Contact Information, Tribal Department Updates, and other relevant information needed at this time.

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THE KLAMATH TRIBES

EMERGENCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Program Services during Tribal Administration Office Closures

Due to COVID-19

Due to the dangers of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) and to reduce the exposure risk to employees, Tribal Members and the community at-large, The Klamath Tribes is closing the majority of the Tribal offices and suspending non-essential services. This action will help assure that we are able to continue to provide essential services to our Tribal Members during these uncertain times.

Below, is an outline of Tribal Administration services deemed essential for the ongoing wellness and health of all Tribal Members. Employees responsible for each of these essential services will be working remotely during regular business hours and will be available via email and telephone. If you are in need of assistance, which may not appear as part of an essential service, please leave a General Message at 1-800-524-9787 and a staff member will call you back ASAP. We will continue to update Tribal Members on a regular basis as circumstances warrant and updates will be posted via social media, emails and voice messages.

All phone messages will be returned within 2 hours of leaving a message during regular business hours.

Contact Numbers: 541-783-2218
541-783-2219

General Message Delivery: 1-800-524-9787

Department/Program Essential Services and Contact Information

Administration	Staff Contact	Extension
General Questions	<i>George Lopez, Administration General Manager</i>	183
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Community Services	Staff Contact	Extension

Commodities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery for clients in Klamath Falls will occur Wednesday, March 25. Clients who still have orders will be contacted for pickup dates. Senior Meal Site: Frozen and non-perishable meals will be delivered on March 23 - (4 meals).	Jalisa Rich Aryel Harrington Collin Riddle	541-576-4421 541-274-1684	 119
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Minor Trust Fund Update

To: Tribal Members

From: Tribal Council

Re: Minor Trust Fund Update

Given the recent stock market volatility caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, Tribal Council has received several inquiries about the health of our Minors' Trust Fund Account. Members should know that Tribal Council has received two updates in the last week from the Vice President and Senior Financial Advisor at Merrill Lynch.

We continue to monitor the account. As of March 30th, a tribal member coming of age and cashing out their account would receive 61 percent more than her contributions. While the market as a whole lost almost 30 percent of its value by mid-March of 2020, our Minor's Fund lost only 12 percent through March 30th of 2020.

This is because our kids' funds are invested conservatively, with 40 percent in no risk, fixed return investments. No part of our Minor's Trust has been invested in high-risk classes of stocks.

For more information, feel free to call Brandi Hatcher, Tribal Council Treasurer at 541-783-2219 ext. 176 or email brandi.hatcher@klamathtribes.com

Education	Staff Contact	Extension
Direct Employment Higher Education	Julie Bettles	109
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GA and TANF payments have been processed for April.		

Tribal Court Contact Number: 541-783-3020, No. 4 or 541-783-2219 extension listed below

Tribal Court	Staff Contact	Extension
Process of child support checks	Danita Herrera	263

Crater Lake Junction Travel Center	541-783-9800
Travel Center will close to the general public and lock the gas door at 9pm daily effective Monday 3/23/2020. Travel Center business will be limited to servicing the professional driver through the diesel entrance. Gas will continue to be self-serve throughout the night via credit card only paid at the pump. The Travel Center will reopen to the general public at 7 am daily.	

Klamath Tribal Health & Family Services

During our response to the COVID-19 Coronavirus the Wellness Center located at 330 Chiloquin Boulevard, Chiloquin, Oregon will remain open and are operating with reduced hours. The Behavioral Health building located at 635 Main St. is closed but is providing Secure Telehealth Services. The Health Administration building located at 3949 South 6th Street, Klamath Falls will be closed.

Wellness Center

330 Chiloquin Boulevard
Chiloquin, OR 97624
Mon – Fri 7:30am – 4:00pm
Closed Lunch 12:00pm-1:00pm
541-882-1487

Health Administration Office

3949 South 6th Street
Klamath Falls, OR 97603
Mon – Fri 8:00am – 4:00pm
541-882-1487
Building Closed

YFGC - Behavioral Health Clinic

635 Main Street
Klamath Falls, OR 97601
Mon – Fri 8:30am – 5:00pm
541-884-1841
Building Closed

- For emergencies call 911
- For questions call the clinic
- For urgent after hours needs call the clinic and use the last option for an on-call response

What to expect as a patient of Klamath Tribal Health & Family Services

Nurse (RN) will be at the Wellness Center entrance every day to screen patients & visitors

Screening Questions

- Any symptoms of fever, cough, or shortness of breath

Changes in Services – Medical

- Call ahead if you seek medical attention to allow clinic staff to coordinate your visit
- Walk-in Clinic remains open
- Other medical appointments are available based on the provider team determination. A message will be taken and a team member will return your call.
- Some appointments are being cancelled or rescheduled to limit the number of people in the Wellness Center

Changes in Services – Dental

- Call ahead if you seek dental attention to allow clinic staff to coordinate your visit
- Dental visits are limited to emergency walk-ins

Changes in Services – Pharmacy

- Has increased coordination of regular and urgent medication fills to better serve patients
- Has increased home delivery options for some patients
- Rite Aid emergency service remain open for eligible Klamath Tribal Members
- Contact the pharmacy for further details

Changes in Services – Behavioral Health

- Building access is limited to scheduled patients to limit the number of people in the facility
- Clinical providers are contacting scheduled patients to offer phone sessions if patients so choose

Changes in Services – Health Administration

Administrative priority will be in support of the essential services and clinics

Kla-Mo-Ya Casino**1-888-552-6692**

Joseph R. Quiroli
 General Manager
 Kla-Mo-Ya Casino
 Direct: (541) 783-7954
 Cell: (541) 891-2338

Due to the dangers of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) and to reduce the exposure risk to employees and the community at large, the Casino will remain closed until further notice.

Tribal Council Contact Numbers:

Don Gentry, Chairman	541-892-1433
Gail Hatcher, Vice Chair	541-205-8758
Roberta Frost, Secretary	541-892-1458
Clay Dumont, At Large	541-887-9197
Willa Powless, At Large	541-238-4073

NOTICE

Visitors will NOT be allowed to accompany patients into the building

Due to the increasing number of COVID-19 cases in Klamath County, KTHFS will no longer be allowing visitors to accompany patients into the Wellness Center. We ask visitors to stay home if possible or to remain in their vehicle while the patient is being seen. ***In the case of minor children, one parent may accompany the minor. If the patient needs assistance in the appointment, one caregiver may be present.***

KTHFS is committed to providing the best quality care while ensuring the safety of our patients, families and staff. We apologize for the inconvenience and we thank you for your understanding and flexibility during this difficult time.

CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019



Symptoms

If you have...

Mild symptoms of Fever,
Cough, or Shortness of
Breath.

Stay Home and self-
isolate from your house-
hold.

IF your symptoms becomes worse:

Trouble breathing
Chest pain
New confusion
Bluish lips or face

Seek Medical Attention

Call 9-1-1

Physical or Social Distancing

Basically means reduc-
ing contact with people,
especially large crowds. It
is a major public health
step to help slow the
spread of highly conta-
gious disease, such as
COVID-19.

Stay at least three (3)
feet, ideally six (6) feet
from one another in so-
cial settings.

Weekly Update

April 9, 2020

What you need to know about Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Update

- 1239 positive cases in Oregon
- 38 deaths in Oregon
- 22 cases in Klamath county
- 1 cases at KTHFS

Risk

- Highest risk for those who recently traveled to area with community spread or close contact with a confirmed case of Coronavirus 2019
- Elders or those with significant health problems are at highest risk for serious illness

PREVENTION!!

Protect yourself

- Stay informed
- Stay home unless necessary
- Avoid touching your mouth, nose or eyes with unwashed hands
- Cleanse hands often with soap & water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Have medications, cleaning, hygiene, & other supplies available
- Eat well, exercise and do a mental health self-check

Protect Elders & others

- Stay home when sick
- Cough or sneeze into a tissue, not your hands
- Clean and disinfect high touch objects & surfaces
- Avoid crowds / gatherings
- Check on your family and friends (phone calls, text messages or use other communication methods)

Pharmacy

- Now doing Curb Side Medication Pick-up

What to expect as a patient of Klamath Tribal Health & Family Services

Screening Questions

Medical staff will be at the Wellness Center entrance every day

- Call ahead if you seek medical attention
- When seeking care at our clinic, limit persons who are with you (caregivers and family should stay home if possible)

- If you are positive COVID-19 or have been exposed to a positive COVID-19 case, please let tribal staff know **before** you enter a tribal facility

Home Care if you are sick

- Home isolation
- Medication (s) for fever

- Rest & fluids
- When your symptoms resolve, wait 72 hours before stopping home isolation
- CDC recommends wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where other social or physical distancing measures are difficult to maintain

Resources

www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html
www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/DISEASES/CONDITIONS/DISEASESAZ/Pages/emerging-respiratory-infections.aspx
<http://publichealth.klamathcounty.org/1041/7219/2019-Coronavirus>
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html>



Klamath Tribal Health & Family Services

Announcing Curbside Pick Up for your Pharmacy Prescriptions!

- Request refills as you normally do
- When you arrive to the designated area for pick-up, call the pharmacy at 541-882-1487 and choose options 1,3
- Pharmacist counsel can be completed over the phone
- Prescriptions will be delivered to patient in their car
- New feature: Use phone on camera to scan QR code on the receipt for link to digital counseling and education



New Pharmacy Pick-up Area!

When: starting 4/9/20

Where: KTHFS Wellness Center,
Chiloquin, OR

Why: Improve access to services and
eliminate barriers for KTH&FS patients
during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Tribal Health Emergency Assistance Fund Notice

March 31, 2020

To: Klamath Tribes Membership

From: Klamath Tribes Tribal Council

Re: Klamath Tribal Health and Family Services Employee Sponsored Emergency Assistance Fund

Tribal Council is aware that there is considerable confusion among our members about this fund, its purpose, and its availability.

This fund is meant to assist tribal members with health related emergencies when other means of assistance are unavailable. The base funding for this assistance comes from voluntary employee contributions of Klamath Tribal Health & Family Services employees.

Those contributed dollars are now all but exhausted. However, Tribal Council has approved an augmentation of the fund from "unrestricted" (discretionary) tribal dollars. That said, unrestricted funds (those that the Klamath Tribes have full control over) are precious few. Therefore we need to spend them wisely—meaning to assist members' emergency needs that cannot be addressed with other funding sources.

Consequently, we need members applying for assistance under this fund to fill out your applications completely. Provide as many details and as much documentation as possible. A team of screeners is being put in place to review complete applications.

In this time of great crisis it is imperative that Tribal Council and senior staff carefully use our "restricted funding" (funds with strict usage rules) for "allowable" expenses inflicted on our members by the Covid-19 virus crisis. For example, expenses related to having school age children at home might be accommodated from the Tribal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program. Needs for emergency food could be met from our Commodities stock. By strategically matching needs with funding sources, we will stretch the unrestricted dollars in this emergency account for maximum aid to our members.

For more information, contact Lahna Lilly, Health Finance Officer, at 541-882-1487 x224.

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KLAMATH TRIBAL HEALTH & FAMILY SERVICES

Warm Weather in Oregon and COVID-19

Although the weather is nice we still need you to stay home and limit travel to essential trips. Here are some ideas on how you enjoy the sun and still flatten the curve:

- If you're able to maintain physical distancing, enjoy the outdoor areas of your residence.
- Have an outdoor picnic at your residence with the people you live with.
- Have a virtual picnic with friends.
- Get things done at home such as gardening or washing your car.
- Open doors and windows to get fresh air while remaining inside.

We need to keep our momentum going in flattening the curve. It's still important to continue physical distancing and remain six feet away from others. When enjoying this beautiful weather, **please don't:**

- Participate in group sports
- Hike on crowded trails
- Attend social gatherings
- Travel
- And, please don't go out if you're sick.

Wave to your neighbors from a distance. Let them know you're happy to see them.

During this uncertain time, it can be normal to be anxious, worried, stressed out.

While we can't control the world around us, we can control how we respond to those emotions.

Helpful support is a phone call away

**Klamath Tribal Health
Youth & Family Guidance Center
(541) 884-1841**



The Klamath Tribes
Member Benefits Department

2020 NOTICE

Deadline Date	Required Action
April 15, 2020	➤ New Tribal Members must submit a Gaming Revenue application.
May 1, 2020	➤ Current Tribal Members must ensure their current address is on file*
June 19, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Per Capita check pick-up at the Administration Building in Chiloquin, OR. ➤ Each Tribal Member must personally pick-up their check. ➤ Be sure to bring Identification.
June 22, 2020	➤ All Per Capita unclaimed checks will be mailed out to the address on file*
December 31, 2020	➤ Unclaimed/Outstanding Per Capita checks are voided

* unclaimed/outstanding Per Capita checks expire and will be voided after 180 days

If any of the following apply, please provide the required documentation listed below

Guardianship Change	Name Change	Deceased Member
Submit legal guardianship papers or custody award letter	Submit marriage license, divorce papers, court papers, or adoption papers Submit an updated Social Security card reflecting your name change	Submit a copy of the Will or Petition of Personal Representation to claim benefits for Deceased Tribal Member during May 1, 2019 to May 1, 2020 Submit Deceased Benefits form Submit Certificate of Death

Please contact the Member Benefits Department for more information and to ensure we have your current information on file.

Member Benefits Department
501 Chiloquin Boulevard
PO Box 436
Chiloquin, OR 97624
(541) 783-2219



The Klamath Tribes
 Member Benefits Department
 PO BOX 436, Chiloquin, OR, 97624
 Phone: (541) 783-2219 Ext. 195

During the Administration's office closure, the Member Benefits Department will continue to provide the following services: Enrollment Application processing, Burial Assistance, Gaming Revenue Application processing, Contact Information Updates, and Tribal ID's.

Enrollment & Gaming Revenue Applications

- Call/email to request an Enrollment and/or Gaming Revenue application
- Documents to include with application:

Enrollment
 Birth Certificate
 Family Tree/Ancestry Chart

Gaming Revenue
 Social Security Card



Burial Assistance

- Call/Email to request a Burial Assistance application
 Specify burial location (Klamath County or outside Klamath County)
- Provide Funeral Service Provider's invoice
- Once received, please provide the Certificate of Death



Tribal ID

- Call to schedule a date & time to get your Tribal ID
- Call/Email to request a Tribal ID Card application
- Bring \$2.50 cash, money order, or cashier's check
 or your current Klamath Tribal ID
- Note: If you are unable to complete an application prior to coming to your appointment, we have applications available for you onsite



Upcoming Per Capita

- **April 15, 2020 Deadline** – New Tribal Members must submit a Gaming Revenue application in order to receive the 2020 Per Capita
- **May 1, 2020 Deadline** – Current Tribal Members must have their current address on file in order to receive the 2020 Per Capita



Please feel free to contact the Member Benefits Department with any questions you have. We are available to assist you during regular business hours Monday – Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm.

Your Member Benefits Staff

Administrative Assistant: Jeannie McNair

Enrollment Officer: Yvonne Hood

Member Benefits Director: Elizabeth Barnes

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*During office closures please contact Julie.bettles@klamathtribes.com or (541)891-7540

<u>Services provided:</u>	<u>Eligibility / Contact</u>
*Higher Education: Secondary source funding to federal financial aid, family contribution, grants, and scholarships.	Enrolled Klamath Tribal Members Coquise Wilson ext 133
*Adult Vocational Training: Provide assistance with limited employment skills leading to certification or licensure.	Enrolled Klamath Tribal Members Coquise Wilson ext 133
*Adult Basic Education: Basic academic and employment skills including GED classes and testing, self-interest classes, computer skills, Food Handlers card and cultural related classes.	Enrolled Klamath Tribal Members or member of a Federally recognized tribe Coquise Wilson ext 133
*Johnson O'Malley: Provide services to pre-K through 12 th grade, and only provide financial support for school fees, PE shoes, or athletic participation fee for high school students.	Enrolled Klamath Tribal Member, member of Federally recognized tribe or descendant attending K-12 grades Aralia Blackwater (541) 783-2040
*maqlaqs s'ayooga Center: After-school program providing homework assistance and cultural enrichment activities for youth Kindergarten through 12 th grade.	Enrolled Klamath Tribal Member, member of a Federally recognized tribe or descendant attending K-12 grades Georgene Nelson (541) 783-2040
*Direct Employment Assistance: Financial support service for Required tools, Required clothing, Work related incidentals, utilities, transportation, relocation costs, etc.	Enrolled Klamath Tribal Member, other member of a Federally recognized Tribe Sally Brandt ext 128
*Temporary Labor Pool: Provide lists of current labor pool applicants to departments or employers seeking to fill temporary job positions.	Enrolled Klamath Tribal Member, other member of a Federally recognized Tribe Sally Brandt ext 128 or Coquise Wilson ext 133
*Employment and Training: Job search readiness classes, job retention assistance, or support services for training and work related needs along with other E&T assistance.	Enrolled Klamath Tribal Member, other member of a Federally recognized Tribe Sally Brandt ext 128
*Re-Entering Employment by Design (RED): Assists members with disabilities such as Diabetes, Learning disabilities, Hearing or Visual impairments, Mental health disorder, Alcohol/Drug addiction recovery to prepare them for, achieve, and maintain employment.	Enrolled Klamath Tribal Member Candi Uses Arrow ext 209 or Camille Delorme ext 211
*Small Business Development: Provides technical expertise for individuals to conceptualize, develop, engineer, and prepare their own business plans.	Enrolled Klamath Tribal Member, other member of a Federally recognized Tribe or descendant Loren Schonchin ext 208

For general programs information please contact Linda Mendoza at ext 115

College Intern Program Application Extension to April 30th!

Contact Education Department
for
Applications (PDF) format

The deadline to apply has been extended to April 30th due to the COVID-19 virus situation.

Our staff & office hours are limited so added questions and concerns will be addressed as quickly as we can.

Thank you and for more information contact:

Julie Bettles

Director – The Klamath Tribes
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From: Klamath Tribes School Curriculum (Senate Bill 13) Working Group

To: Members, Klamath Tribes

Waqlis ?aat maqlaqs,

To fulfil its obligations under Senate Bill 13 (“Tribal History/Shared History”) passed by the state legislature in 2017, the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) has made funds available for the Klamath Tribes to develop our own curriculum—lessons about the Klamath Tribes that we would like to see taught in Oregon schools. A working group (any interested tribal members) was formed following discussion at the February 15, 2020 General Council Meeting. Our first meeting was hosted by the Klamath Tribes Education Advisory Committee on March 5th.

Please consider joining our working group. If you can’t do that, please send us your recommendation(s) about what should be included in the curriculum. Although ODE has provided a general list of potential topics (included below), please don’t let their list restrict your ideas. The working group will take responsibility for fitting our members’ views into the ODE list.

From ODE: “tribal history, sovereignty issues, culture, treaty rights, government, socioeconomic experiences, and current events that are historically accurate, culturally relevant, community-based, contemporary, and developmentally appropriate.”

If you send more than three topics, please rank your top three. Please send your ideas to Abby Hall (gabriann@hotmail.com) and Clay Dumont (cdumont.council@klamathtribes.com) no later than March 18th.

There will be much more time for additional input from our members. This is only an initial step necessary for the Klamath Tribes to secure funds from ODE. Look for updates and calls for discussion at upcoming General Council Meetings, or call for more info.

Lastly, members can view the Klamath Tribes self-description, approved with subsequent revisions by General Council on 11/23/2019 at: <https://www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/equity/NativeAmericanEducation/Pages/Senate-Bill-13-Tribal-HistoryShared-History.aspx>

Click on “Educator Toolkit.” Then open the pdf file: “02 Essential Understandings of Native Americans in Oregon and turn to page six.

Curriculum completed before the current Tribal Council took office can be viewed at:

<https://www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/equity/NativeAmericanEducation/Pages/SB13-Klamath.aspx>



THE KLAMATH TRIBES EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER & CCDF CHILD CARE DEVELOPMENT FUND PROGRAM

Overview

Families currently have a choice of childcare providers/programs depending on need, funding, and availability.

Eligibility for services includes the following:

- Member of a federally recognized tribe or Klamath descendent with children under 13 years of age.
- Reside in Klamath County.
- Meet income requirements.*
- Working or attending a job training or educational program.
- Need to receive protective services.

Type of Providers

Care Providers

- **Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC)**, a tribally operated center located in Chiloquin, OR. Serves families with children ages 0 – 5 years old. Tribal Standards apply.
- **Tribal Family Home Child Care Provider** - care for children of three or fewer, not including their own. Must be a close family relative over 18 years of age not living in the same home and registered with the Tribes CCDF Program. Must favorably pass a name-based state criminal history check and a state check of the state child abuse and neglect repository. Close family relative includes great grandparents, grandparents, sibling (if not living in the same home), aunts, uncles.
- **State Certified Centers** – State certified facility following State standards.
- **State Certified Family Childcare** used for families providing care for four or more children following state standards.

Other qualifications for care providers include, but is not limited to: favorably pass a criminal history background check that may include fingerprints and complies with PL- 101 603 level standards; must be over 18 years of age; home providers require a health and safety inspection and a CPR/first aid card.

Application and Required Documents

- Social Security cards for every household member
- Gross wages and salaries (payroll check stub)
- Public assistance such as alimony, child support, or Tribal Assistance to Native Families (TANF)
- Tribal ID or Certificate of Indian Blood
- Work/school schedule
- Birth Certificates of children
- Current immunizations records for children
- Most recent copy of 1040 tax return
- Legal custody or guardianship documents if applicant is child's parent
- 1 page goal letter explaining how your family will benefit from child care toward self-sufficiency
- Release of Information form

***Waiting list:** Many of our childcare programs are full, but we take applications and information to put on a waiting list for when vacancies occur. We can mail or email applications and please contact us if you have questions.*

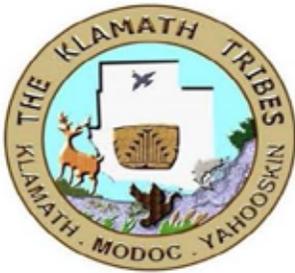
Contact: Kathleen Mitchell, ECDC Program Manager
(541) 783-0804, ext. 112 or (541) 891-6979 cell
Email: Kathleen.mitchell@klamathtribes.com

Jennifer Jackson, Office Manager
541-783-0804, ext. 101
Email: Jennifer.jackson@klamathtribes.com

USDA CACFP Food Program

The ECDC is sponsored and participates in the Oregon Department of Education Child and Adult Care Food Program and provides nutritious meals including breakfast, lunch, and one snack per day for children in our Center.





The Klamath Tribes

Community Services Department

Ph: (541) 783-2219 Fax: (541) 783-0994

❖ Symbol indicates income limits apply

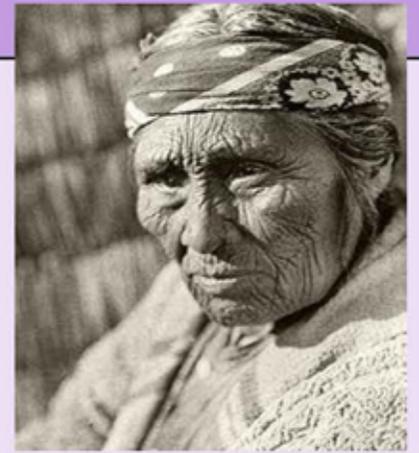
ELDERS PROGRAMS

Elder & Caregiver Support Programs, (541) 783-2219 ext. 174 for:

- Elders' events, trips, activities, talking circles, transports, etc.
- Contracts to provide relief for non-paid Caregivers (max \$2,000/year)
- Assistance for Tribal grandparents (55+) raising their grandchildren
- Medical Lending Closet (walkers, shower chairs, grab bars, etc.)

Meal Site Staff, (541) 274-1684 for:

- Elders Meal Site & Home-Delivered Meals; rides available Tu/F (in Chiloquin W/F and in Beatty Tu/Th)



ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Energy Assistance Coordinator (541) 783-2219, ext. 186 for:

- Elders EA – Payments for electricity, natural gas, propane, firewood, etc. Must be a Klamath Tribal Elder (60+) & no income limits (\$350/year)
- ❖ LIHEAP – Payments for your electricity, natural gas, propane, firewood, etc. for low-income households (\$250 to \$550)
- ❖ Emergency furnace, wood/pellet stove repair/replacement (max \$2,500)
- ❖ Home Weatherization, repairs, or replacement of windows, doors, floors, roof, insulation, appliances, stoves, etc. (max \$3,500/five years)



SUPPLEMENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Commodities Warehouse (541) 883-2876:

- ❖ Food Distribution - Large Food Packages (delivery offered)



Administrative Assistant (541) 783-2219, ext. 174 for:

- ❖ Goodwill Vouchers for clothes, shoes, housewares, etc. (\$25 to \$75)
- Employee Sponsored Emergency Fund (max \$100/year)

Transit Program Manager (541) 783-2219, ext. 175 for:

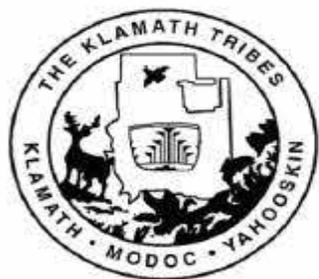
- Quail Trail Public Transit (free & open to everyone)
- Non-Emergency Medical Rides (Translink & OHP+ Rides)



The Quail

Community Services Department Gross Income Limits

Program Name	LIHEAP & Goodwill Vouchers	Weatherization	Commodities Foods	Klamath Co. Food Bank
Effective Dates	10/1/2019 to 9/30/2020	1/1/2020 to 9/30/2020	10/1/2019 to 9/30/2020	1/1/2020 to 12/31/2020
Funding Agency	US DHHS & Goodwill Industries	US DHHS	USDA FDPIR	Several
Income Time Period	ANNUAL	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	MONTHLY
Household Size	60% OR SMI	200% FPL	Net set by USDA	Nearly 90% OR SMI
1	\$25,983	\$25,520	* \$2,009	\$3,190
2	\$33,978	\$34,480	* \$2,470	\$4,310
3	\$41,973	\$43,440	* \$2,930	\$5,430
4	\$49,967	\$52,400	* \$3,404	\$6,550
5	\$57,962	\$61,360	* \$3,904	\$7,670
6	\$65,957	\$70,320	* \$4,403	\$8,790
7	\$67,456	\$79,280	* \$4,863	\$9,910
8	\$68,955	\$88,240	* \$5,324	\$11,030
9	\$70,454	\$97,200	* \$5,785	\$12,150
10	\$71,953	\$106,160	* \$6,247	\$13,270
11	\$73,452	\$115,120	* \$6,708	\$14,390
12	\$74,951	\$124,080	* \$7,630	\$15,510
13	+\$1,499/person	+\$8,960/person	+ *\$461/person	\$16,630
ADDITIONAL PROGRAM INFO	<p>You do <u>not</u> need a shut-off notice to receive Energy Assistance. Contact Brent Ripley, ext. 134 to schedule an appointment.</p> <p>If you have eligibility questions, please contact Wanita Brown, ext. 186. The cover page of the application details eligibility criteria and documents required.</p>	<p>Contact Wanita Brown, ext. 186 to submit an application to be added to the Wait List. The estimated waiting period at this time is between 2 and 3 years.</p> <p>Variety of work allowable including repair/replacement of windows, doors, insulation, flooring, appliances, etc.</p>	<p><i>*Assuming the household receives standard deduction for earned income and rent/utility expense.</i></p> <p>There are more deductions available, contact Commodities staff (541) 883-2876 for more information.</p> <p>Delivery for Elders, disabled, and other households available.</p>	<p>This is NOT a program within Community Services Dept. The income limits are provided for referral efficiency purposes only. There is a separate publication for food & other local resources available through non-Tribal agencies.</p>



QUAIL TRAIL BUS CLOSURE

Due to the Covid-19 Virus & Safety, the Quail will remain closed through April 30, 2020. We will re-evaluate at that time. We are very sorry for any inconvenience.

Respectfully,
-Aryel Harrington - Director of Community Services

**For those in Klamath Falls:
Basin Transit Service (BTS) is allowing
everyone to ride for free at this time.**



**For more information call Community Services Department,
at 541-783-2219 Ext. 175.**

Released 03/20/2020



The Klamath Tribes Housing Department

P.O. Box 436
Chiloquin, OR 97624
Telephone: (541) 783-2219
Fax: (541) 783-3994

Eligibility Requirements for both Programs

- Head of Household must be a Klamath Tribal Member or an enrolled member of another Federally Recognized Tribe. Head of household must be 18 or older.
- Meet the required income limits according to 24 CFR § 1000.10 median income for the IHBG Program.
- Applicant must submit a completed required application on the form provided by the Klamath Tribes Housing Department. Applicant must provide all required documentation.
- Tribal members owing money to the Klamath Tribes Housing Department are not eligible for assistance.
- Applicant must demonstrate with appropriate documentation that he/she is in need of the assistance.
- Tribal members cannot be assisted if they have received assistance from the programs within last 24 months.

Emergency Housing Assistance

- Provides assistance to Native Americans in the State of Oregon with preference given to Klamath Tribal members.
- Tribal members who are currently participants in any program administered or funded through the Klamath Tribes Housing Department are not eligible for the assistance.
- Provides assistance for 72 Hour Notice of Eviction.
- Mortgage payments to avoid foreclosure.
- Security Deposits.
- All payments will be made to the landlord or mortgage lender.
- Funding limits apply.
- Level of funding is subject to availability.

Please contact the Housing Department for more information. Ask for Jackie Wilson at 541-783-2219 ext. 193 or Roberta Sexton at 541-783-2219 ext. 136.

Emergency Shelter

- Provides assistance to Native Americans in the State of Oregon with preference given to Klamath Tribal members who are faced with eviction or losing their home.
- Applicants must supply a Survival Statement accounting for their income and expenses for the 30 days preceding their application for emergency housing and their plan for obtaining safe, decent and reliable housing.
- Must provide documentation they are actively seeking permanent housing.
- Maybe be able to live in the unit for 60 days rent free. All utilities paid by the Klamath Tribes Housing (does not include cable or satellite TV).

Program Income Limits

1 Person	2 Persons	3 Persons	4 Persons	5 Persons	6 Persons	7 Persons	8 Persons
\$42,280	\$48,320	\$54,360	\$60,400	\$65,232	\$70,064	\$74,896	\$79,728



Notice!
Klamath Tribes New Fitness Facility and Home Construction

Attention Klamath Tribal Members who are interested in Construction!

Construction of the Klamath Tribes Fitness Facility (by the Wellness Center in Chiloquin), and 4 new homes (on the 55 acres off Hwy 62 near Chiloquin) will start soon.

Who: Attention Klamath Tribal Members

What: If you are interested in Construction Jobs, you will need to be on file with the Klamath Tribes Employment Department.

Contact our Klamath Tribes Education & Employment Department (Director, Julie Bettles or Employment: Sally Brandt) at 541-783-2219 ext. 109 or ext. 128

Or email: Julie.bettles@klamathtribes.com

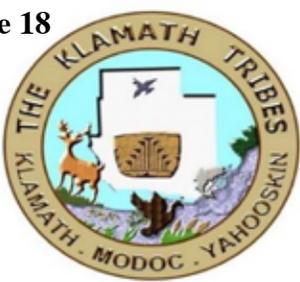
Or email: sally.brandt@klamathtribes.com

Note: Construction will soon begin in Chiloquin, Oregon for both projects:
 Fitness Facility and Housing.

For more information about these projects contact:

Roberta Sexton- Housing Director 541-783-2219 ext. 136

Or email: roberta.sexton@klamathtribes.org



The Klamath Tribes Natural Resources Department

Ph: (541) 783-2219 Fax: (541) 783-2609

GAME TAG PROGRAM

Hunting and fishing seasons remain in effect as adopted in the Klamath Tribes Wildlife Code.

Tribal members are encouraged to use the Online Tag Sales System, if the online tag system is inaccessible contact the Tribal Game Enforcement Officer



Tribal Game Enforcement Officer **(541) 783-2219, ext. 123**

Monday	8:30 - 4:30 at Tribal Administration
Thursday	8:30 - 4:30 by appointment only
Friday	8:30 - 4:30 by appointment only
Saturday	8:30 - 4:30 by appointment only

FIREWOOD GATHERING

Firewood gathering remains open as adopted in the Klamath Tribes Firewood Gathering Code.

Tags will be issued by the Tribal Game Enforcement Officer and is available at the times listed above.



U.S. Forest Service
Fremont-Winema National Forest
1301 S. G St.
Lakeview, OR 97630
www.fs.usda.gov/fremont-winema
Twitter: @FremontWinemaNF
Facebook: www.facebook.com/R6FWNF

News Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 31, 2020

Media Contact: Tamara Schmidt
Desk: 541-947-6243
Cell: 541-891-6758
tamaraschmidt@fs.fed.us

Fremont-Winema National Forest offers free personal use firewood cutting

LAKEVIEW, Ore. – Personal use firewood cutting on the Fremont-Winema National Forest will be free to the public through June 1, 2020.

Woodcutters can collect up to 12 cords of firewood for personal use. A cord equates to a wood stack that is 4 feet wide by 4 feet high by 8 feet long.

While there is no need for permits or tags during this period, woodcutters are expected to follow the 2020 Personal Use Firewood Synopsis of Rules and Regulations. The document, along with woodcutting maps are available online at www.fs.usda.gov/main/fremont-winema/passes-permits/forestproducts and then selecting "Firewood Permits". Maps are also available digitally from Avenza Maps at www.avenzamaps.com.

Social Services:

Interim Social Services Director
Faye Brattain 541-783-2219 Ext. 131
Work cell # 541-891-8696

Social Services is committed to continuing to provide services and information to all Tribal Members in these chaotic times with any and all available services in the Social Services Department.

Domestic Violence

During Covid-19 Health Emergency the Klamath Tribes' Healing Winds Domestic & Sexual Program will continue to coordinate with Marta's House/Klamath Crisis Center. The Klamath Crisis Center has a 24 hour sexual assault & domestic violence crisis-line:

Crisis Line: 541-884-0390

And there is now a temporary Healing Winds help line:

Healing Winds: 541-363-4022

The Healing Winds is committed to serving domestic & sexual violence victims and will continue to support and connect victims to services or other agencies and programs that are providing services during this time of need.

TANF Contact information

Faye Brattain Manager 541-783-2219 ext. 131 work cell 541-891-8696

Case Managers:

Lori Theros: 541-7832219 ext. 132 work cell 541-891-9597

Deborah Moran: 541-783-2219 ext. 107 work cell 541-891-9588

Eligibility Requirements for TANF services are:

- A single parent, if the parent is a Klamath Tribal member and at least one (1) of the children is an enrolled Klamath Tribal member;
- the parent is not an enrolled Klamath tribal member and 50% of the dependent children are Klamath Tribal member;
- a two parent household & both parents are Tribal member and at least one (1) of the children is an enrolled Klamath Tribal member;
- in the case of a 2-parent household and only one parent is a Klamath Tribal member at least 50% of the dependent children must be enrolled;
- if you are a caretaker relative of the dependent children at least 50% of the children must be enrolled in the Klamath Tribes.
 1. A caretaker relative is the person who is responsible for the care, control and supervision of the dependent child and is related to the child in one of the ways listed below;
 - a) Persons who are related to the child through the biological parent may be the caretaker relative if the child lives with them with documentation the parent has given up care, control and supervision of the child.
 - b) Allowable person's blood relative; half-blood relatives, siblings, aunts, uncles 1st cousins, nephews, nieces and great and great-great relatives.

Income eligibility:

- \$11,750 is the income limit for assets.

Please contact: Lori, Deborah or Faye and we will mail you and application. We must have an application even if we process applications per phone contact as you need to be able to provide essential information on the application. We have enclosed a stamped return envelope to the Tribes TANF Program for you to mail your application.

If you have a report of child abuse or neglect or any concerns you may have for the safety of children please contact the:

Child Abuse Hotline: 855-503-7233

For questions or concerns on any ongoing cases please contact:

Faye @ 541-891-8696 and the contact information will be forwarded to the appropriate Staff.

General Assistance Program

General Assistance Program: Serves Individuals who are enrolled in a federally recognized tribe, that have medical documentation they are unable to work and who live in Klamath County.

Contact Person:

Lona Phipps: 541-783-2219 ext. 164, work cell phone #541-851-1124

www.NativeWellness.com

Celebrating 20 Years of Bringing Wellness and Healing to Native Country

In this changing time in our world, NWI is responding in a positive, productive and proactive way. Every day, 7 days a week for the next several weeks, we will offer our Native Wellness Power Hour at Noon Pacific Time. Storytelling, workshops, teachings and more! Our goal is to keep healing and wellness at the forefront for individuals, families and communities as we move through this pandemic in a good way.

Please tune in each day at Noon Pacific Time on our Native Wellness Institute Facebook page, we'll go Live. Each week we will have a new flyer announcing the next line up.

If you do not have Facebook the videos will be available on the homepage of our website www.nativewellness.com (scroll to the bottom of the page for the videos).

The videos will also be available on our YouTube channel.

Thank you for watching, engaging, participating and sharing!

www.NativeWellness.com



FOOD BANK, PANTRIES, and SNAP

Food Pantries

The Food Pantries are all open until further notice. It is recommended to review the website, Facebook page, or call 541-882-5280 before visiting a pantry.

Food Bank

The Food Banks front office is closed through March 27th, but applications for service can be handled at the pantries directly during this time.

Produce Connection

All Produce Connections sites are closed until further notice.

SNAP

Oregonians across the state who receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits can now purchase groceries online from Walmart and Amazon.

CITY AND COUNTY SCHOOL LUNCH AND EDUCATION UPDATES

City Schools – Meals and Education

- Schools will be in touch with families the week of March 30th via phone.
- Online optional learning resources on the website <http://www.kfalls.k12.or.us/>
- City Schools will be checking out Chrome books on **Monday, April 6, from 10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the LOEC gym at 1336 Avalon Street.**
 - This is for any families that do not have a device at home, other than a cell phone, with which to access the internet.
 - Checking out one per family.
- **Lunches and learning packets will be available for all students on Wednesdays, starting on April 1.**
 - Families will be able to pick these up at their child’s school or on their child’s bus route.
 - **Five days of breakfasts and lunches will be given at one time each week.** Any youth 18 and under is eligible for the food boxes.
 - Pre kindergarten children are also eligible.
 - When picking up your packets and food, please remember to distance yourselves at least six feet from others. More specific details on meal and packet pickup times and locations will be sent early next week.
 - Students will be expected to complete their learning packets each week.
- Teachers will be calling them at home during the week to monitor their progress, check in to see how they are doing, and if they need any assistance.

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- During the extended school closure, the Klamath County School District is providing meals (breakfast and lunch) for students at various locations around the district.
 - Any student with a dietary restriction will be provided a meal as long as the parent has informed the district. To do so, please email the following information to gracikc@kcsd.k12.or.us:
 - Student name
 - Restriction approved by medical personnel
 - Where the meal will be picked up

INTERNET

No Cost Internet from Spectrum – 60 days

Spectrum/Charter is offering all families who do not have internet free service for 60 days. If your family does not have internet service please call them at 1-844-488-8395. If school closures are delayed beyond the current closure date of April 1st then city schools will be lending out Chromebooks for students to use at home. County schools may do something similar, and you may want to check with your child’s individual school.

**Wifi calling is possible with most smart phones and reduce the number of minutes used on your cellular plan.

CenturyLink Lifeline Program

CenturyLink has a program called Lifeline that offers a \$12/month discount to those who qualify, but it may take up to 60days before you see a credit on your bill.

- For more information call 800-848-4442
- Online application can be found here: <https://www.oregon.gov/puc/Pages/Discounted-Service.aspx>

UTILITIES:

Pacific Power

Pacific Power has temporarily suspended nonpayment disconnections and late fees.

Water Company

The water company has suspended non-payment disconnections. For more information call 541-883-5316.

OHP

OHP has expanded access to telehealth services for members during this public health crisis. Members are encouraged to stay home and use phone, video, and online appointments for physical and behavioral health. Members should talk to their providers or coordinated care organization (CCO) about making a telehealth appointment.

Klamath and Lake Community Action Services

The KLCAS office will be closed for in-person interactions with clients, but they will still be available by phone at 514-882-3500 for program information or referrals to other resources. KLCAS can mail out program applications as requested and plan to complete any typical in-person work via telephone. They will mail, email or fax required documentation to applicants for signature.

KLCAS can accept energy assistance applications and required documents via mail at 535 Market Street, Klamath Falls, OR 97601, via email at energy@klcas.org or via fax at 541-882-3674.

KLCAS can accept rental assistance applications and required documents via mail at 535 Market Street, Klamath Falls, OR 97601, via email at rentassist@klcas.org or via fax at 541-882-3674.

County Schools – Meals and Education

- **Around Monday, April 6, you should expect to receive by mail your student’s first education packet.**
 - Your student will then receive a new packet each week with activities and lessons. The packets should be completed by the student, but do not need to be returned to the school.
 - Families will be contacted twice weekly by a teacher, who will answer questions and ask your student to report on their progress.
 - If you are not contacted by a teacher within a week of receiving your first packet, please email your school building’s principal or call 541-851-8744 and leave a message with your name, school, and contact number.
 - In the near future, the district also plans to provide supplemental online resources by grade level for families on their website.
 - **During the extended school closure, the Klamath County School District is providing meals (breakfast and lunch) for students at various**

The Klamath Tribes

would like to honor ALL graduating students for the 2020 School year.

Your picture will be part of the Annual Honor Dinner, as well as be sent in an E-blast through the Klamath Tribes Public Relations Department.

Picture Information: *Student Name

*School Graduating from

*Family Information

*Next Steps (what are your plans/goals)

*Congrats 2020
Graduates!*

**SUBMIT PICTURES
BY FRIDAY, MAY 1ST
TO: ALETHEA BARLOWE**

barlowe@ohsu.edu

**QUESTIONS CONTACT:
WILL HESS OR
JULIE BETTLES AT
541.783.2219**



KLAMATH TRIBES YOUTH SUMMIT

JULY 21 - 23, 2020
OREGON TECH
3201 CAMPUS DR, KLAMATH FALLS, OR

**OPEN TO ALL TRIBAL HIGH SCHOOL AND JR. HIGH
SCHOOL STUDENTS**
FOR MORE INFO CONTACT:
WILL.HESS@KLAMATHTRIBES.COM



***Currently we are still asking you to Save this Date!**

When everything settles down and we know more, we will provide a more detailed flyer & agenda at a later date.

Stay Safe!



Notice of Cancellation! Rainbow Youth Golf Education Program, Inc.

We regret to inform everyone, that due to the COVID-19 Virus, the 20th Year of the RYGEP Youth Golf Education will be postponed and reevaluated based on the State of Oregon's Social Distancing Guidelines.

We thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions please contact us:

Thank you,

William Ray, Jr.
RYGEP Executive Director
(541) 892-3024
email: weqs1120@kfalls.net





CRATER LAKE JUNCTION TRAVEL CENTER

34005 HWY N. Chiloquin, OR 97624 541-783-9800 FAX: 541-783-9801

April 3, 2020

On April 2nd **FALSE INFORMATION** was posted to Facebook regarding the Travel Center Food Services in that someone was in the hospital being tested for COVID-19.

THERE IS NOTHING FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH. THIS PERSON WAS BEING SEEN FOR NON COVID SYMPTOMS AND WAS SENT HOME WITH NO ISSUES.

THIS SPREADING OF FALSE INFORMATION IS RECKLESS AND NOT HELPFUL TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. AS A RESULT, I TEMPORARILY TOOK DOWN THE FACEBOOK PAGE TO STOP THE SPREADING OF FALSE INFORMATION.

In a time when people are worried, scared and even in danger based on health concerns this is **VERY UNFORTUNATE.**

Our Team is working hard to provide essential service to the trucking industry so that our drivers can get food and supplies to the shelf for everyone.

TO BE CLEAR: ALL EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO CALL IN TO WORK AND NOT BE IN THE BUILDING SICK OR NOT FEELING WELL. EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN SENT HOME FOR COUGHING AND BEING SICK.

As far as the "unemployment statement" in the post is concerned in this post. **OUR TEAM DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT** because our hours and team have not been reduced based on the virus. I have no decision making when it comes to whether someone gets unemployment or not. Again, this was and is false information.

IT REALLY SADDENS ME WHEN SOMEONE DECIDES TO HURT THIS COMMUNITY WITH THE SPREADING OF FALSEHOODS REGARDLESS OF WHAT SCREEN SHOTS THEY MAY HAVE.

AS IT RELATES TO MY CONCERN FOR OUR TEAM:

- Our team is receiving 25% hazard pay on top of their hourly earnings, the highest allowed by law, based on my request of the council and their approval.
- We were the first Truck Stop to stop offering showers to protect the team. I took a lot of heat from the trucking industry and drivers about losing their business over this, but I stood firm TO PROTECT THE TEAM.
- We have taken proactive measures to protect this team from the beginning and will continue to do so.
 - We are currently sourcing and planning for plexi-glass sneeze guards for our register areas.
 - Enforcing 6 feet social distancing.
 - Requesting that orders be placed from a distance in the deli as well.
 - Hand sanitizer is being used between each transaction by our team.
 - We will also continue to come up with ideas and plans for the safety of our team and implement them.

**Michael Thompson
General Manager**



CRATER LAKE JUNCTION TRAVEL CENTER

34005 HWY N. Chiloquin, OR 97624 541-783-9800 FAX: 541-783-9801

**CRATER LAKE JUNCTION TRAVEL CENTER
RAISES TRIBAL MEMBER FUEL DISCOUNT TO
\$.30 PER GALLON.**

**These are trying times and the Travel Center
has taken this action in hopes of doing our
part to help
Klamath Tribal Members.**

This will be effective until further notice.

**REMINDER: Fuel discounts are limited to one discount per
card per day.**

**Card must be presented/processed prior to fueling as no
adjustments or refunds can be made after fueling begins.**

For more information
contact:

**CRATER LAKE
JUNCTION TRAVEL
CENTER
34005 HWY N. Chiloquin,
OR 97624
541-783-9800
FAX: 541-783-9801**

Peregrine Falcons return to Chiloquin

The Klamath Tribes' Aquatics Department

Early March return of the once Peregrine Falcon to few miles outside of falcons fledged at least 2019 and have



heralds the endangered Chiloquin. A town a pair of one juvenile in diligently

returned again in 2020. Their calls can be heard each day as they forage for food and build their nest, shown below as the white patch on the cliff face.

Once nearly driven extinct by the pesticide DDT, the Peregrine Falcon has largely recovered due to a ban on the pesticide and captive breeding programs. The pesticide caused eggshells to be extremely thin, resulting in the eggs being crushed by their mothers during nesting. It was only through concern from the public that banned DDT.



Diligent protection of the forests and the natural environment has enabled these magnificent birds to recover from the brink of extinction, demonstrating that activism and action reap tangible benefits for the Tribes' natural resources. Please add your voices to the message of conservation and you will see more success stories for your resources.



Dear Klamath Tribal Members:

Since schools are closed through June, a group of local Tribal members would like to produce Tribally relevant content in short form videos for Tribal youth and families during this time of quarantine. We are calling this project Ewksiknii Remote Education.

We need your help! Would you like to share your local knowledge about:

- Maqlaqsyals
- First foods
- Beading/Weaving
- Language
- Storytelling
- Histories
- Art
- Outdoor recreation (from a Tribal perspective)

We are looking for Klamath Tribal members willing to take part and share their knowledge and are willing to be recorded. We hope to provide content that is interesting and accessible to our Tribal youth that will strengthen ewksiknii ideals through digital medium. The content will then be available on YouTube for Tribal members to access. We are hoping to expedite this project for the benefit of our youth during these times of crisis.

Introduced by Paul Wilson as a Tribal community-oriented response to needs for remote education, a series of short-form video with a focus on education informed by Tribal community relevance will be made available to Tribal public online. Collaborations have grown to include Klamath Tribes Education Committee, Education Department, Prevention Department, and OHSU On Track.

If you are interested in participating, please contact:
Paul Wilson
prwwilson@riostorivers.org
541-363-6416



Where to Walk in Klamath County

County Parks

All county parks* are open for day use only provided social distancing regulations are adhered to. However, all campsites, restrooms and other hard equipment are closed.

*Except Hagelstein Park

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)

ODFW lands are open for hiking.

There are no public restrooms available.

The closest hiking area to Oregon Tech is the Miller Island road access.

The dog training area is open year round and is the only place that you can legally walk your dog off leash in Klamath County.

Permits are required to park in ODFW lots - Costs: \$10/day pass and \$30/annual pass.

www.dfw.state.or.us/agency/directory/local_offices.asp

Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands

BLM Lands are open provided social distancing rules are followed. However, campgrounds and developed recreational areas are closed, including all Gerber Reservoir Camps as well as Horse Camp.

www.blm.gov/office/klamath-falls-field-office

United States Forest Service lands

The National Forests which are closest to us include the Winema National Forest, Klamath National Forest, and Modoc National Forest. All recreation facilities are closed including official trailheads (often they have a parking area and a restroom). However, the *actual trails are not closed* as long as people adhere to social distancing and limited group sizes. If you plan on using forest roads to fish, or hike, bike, etc., use caution parking on the roadsides or pullouts.

Pacific Corp Trails

Pacific Power owns and maintains trails such as the Link River Trail, which is open, provided people observe social distancing protocols. This trail is very close to campus.

City Parks

City parks are open dawn to dusk but use is limited.

- **CLOSED:** Picnic tables, playground equipment and restrooms.

- **Limited Use:** Lawns and fields are open to groups of 10 people or less. Games can be played provided there is the appropriate 6 feet of social distancing.

National Parks

The National Park Service is modifying its operations on a park-by-park basis in accordance with the latest guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and state and local public health authorities. While most facilities and events are closed or canceled, many of the outdoor spaces remain accessible to the public. Before visiting, please check with individual parks regarding changes to park operations.

www.nps.gov/coronavirus

Lava Beds National Monument (40 miles from K- Falls)

The Lava Beds Visitor Center, campground, Cave Loop Road, and all park restrooms are closed. Trails and most park roads will remain open.

www.nps.gov/labe/planyourvisit/conditions.htm

Crater Lake National Park is temporarily closed to visitors. Highway 62 through the park remains open for travel.

www.nps.gov/crla/learn/news/update-crater-lake-national-park-is-modifying-operations-to-implement-local-health-guidance.htm

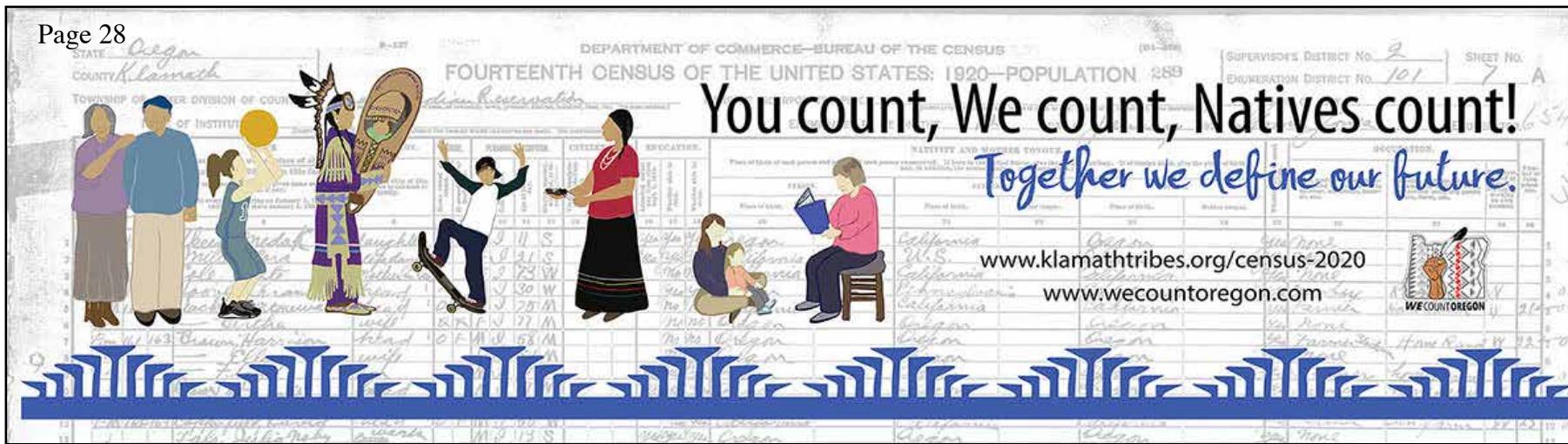
Please follow guidelines to prevent the spread of infectious diseases and practice Leave No Trace principles.

Klamath Irrigation District (KID)

The Klamath Irrigation District maintains the "road" along the A-Canal for irrigation traffic. While you may use this as a walking trail, keep in mind that this is NOT a groomed trail, but intended for maintenance truck access. The road starts at the Head Gates (on Oregon Ave.) and trails through town, behind Klamath Union High School and Mazama High School. It also runs behind Klamath Community College and into a variety of local farms and ranches. If you come across a locked gate (usually behind ranch/farm property), don't open or cross it. Follow social distancing protocols.

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ALL Oregon State Parks remain CLOSED, including the OC&E Trail that runs through Klamath Falls.



2020 Census Art by: Klamath Tribal Member, Asa Wright

The Klamath Tribes 2020 Tribal Census Team hopes you are safe and well!

**WE MOVE FORWARD AS A TRIBE & FAMILY WHEN WE PARTICIPATE IN THE CENSUS!
IT ONLY COMES AROUND EVERY 10 YEARS... MAKE SURE YOU'RE COUNTED!**

I Count! You Count! We Count!

In light of all that is happening, our team is encouraging everyone to take the 2020 Census On-line, by phone, or mail. *Then post a selfie on your personal social media to help spread the word! It will be interesting and fun to see where all our tribal members are posting from!

If you haven't received a US Census packet in the mail (they should be coming in the mail now, they was mailed on April 8th from the US Census Bureau)- The US Census runs from March 12th to August 14th... **We encourage you to please take the Census online at: www.2020census.gov** *REMINDER: When filling out your Census it is important you put: **KLAMATH TRIBES** in the section that asks for your tribal affiliation.

Did you know... Klamath Tribal Member, Asa Wright, designed the beautiful 2020 Census Artwork



Asa says, "My grandparents are Plummie and MaryAnn Wright, I'm the oldest child of Harold Wright Jr. and Theresa Remiro. I've lived in Portland, Oregon for the last 20 years, I moved to Portland for college and ended up staying for work and family. I have an amazing kid who inspires me every day and keeps me young. I blend my backgrounds in public health and art/design to work on cultural revitalization, decolonization and positive social change. It's important to me to create work that can have impact. I work a lot with "Art for Action" or art that brings about awareness of social justice issues that motivate communities, people and organizations to mobilize for direct change. I'm grateful for the gifts I have, I was blessed to come from a family of artists and am grateful to be able to use my gifts to represent and/or support my people.

I'm really honored that I got to be part of this Census work. The Census really helps determine the federal funding we get as Tribes. Most of my work experience has been working with Tribes and Native folx and that's important to me. A lot of the work that goes out in regional or national projects ends up being "pan-indian" even more specifically Plains. It's important for us to hold on to our identities and represent our cultures as Pacific NW Natives. I'm proud to be a Klamath Tribal member and when I think about our strength I tend to think of our baskets, these beautiful, delicate materials woven together to be strong enough to feed, clothe, and carry our people through seasons and decades. I knew for this work I wanted representation to play a big role and I hope that our Oregon Tribes see that and feel like they truly count."



Logo by: Asa Wright