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## WADSWORTH COMMUNITY CENTER PLANNING

This building project was conceived in 2006 and it was to provide a community building for youth and community activities in the Wadsworth area. Originally the project was to encompass approximately 10,000 sq. ft. and include a large central area/gym, restrooms/locker rooms, office/meeting rooms and kitchen. This project would instill pride in the community with a sense of bringing the people together. The structure could also provide a gathering place in a time of emergency. The original project size was reduced because funding was not available for the larger size project. The Tribe received a \$495,000 HUD Economic Development Initiative Grant in 2006 for construction of a community center building.

After receiving Tribal council approval, we have hired a project manager and crew. Construction of the new community center began the week of beginning

November 5, 2012 with the crew working clearing & grubbing and hauling fill material to the building pad site. Work continued with the excavation of the footing lines and layout of the under concrete slab plumbing and electrical trenches.

On Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> the concrete for the slab on grade was delivered and the crew poured and finished the concrete. Photo is credited to Scott Carey who took a picture of the concrete pumper truck during the Thursday concrete delivery.

On Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup> the first wall of the center was erected. Because of the unpredictability of the weather, the crew is working quickly to get the walls and roof up. The building is scheduled to be completed by April 2013.

Johnnie Garcia  
Wadsworth Community Center Planning Committee



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## 2013 PYRAMID LAKE TRIBAL ELECTION RESULTS

Election Day: December 29, 2012  
Certification: January 4, 2013  
(Elected in BOLD/CAP type)

### TRIBAL CHAIRMAN (2-yr term)

ELWOOD LOWERY—120

Genevieve John-98 Mervin Wright, Jr.-96  
Bonnie Smith-20 Lyle Kochamp-10

### TRIBAL VICE-CHAIRMAN (2-yr term)

TERENCE JAMES-84

Vinton Hawley-76 Steven Wadsworth-72  
Judith Davis-69 Carol Smith-36

### TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBER

(4 seats-2 yr terms)

ALAN MANDELL-149

BRIAN WADSWORTH-95

DUANE WASSON-93

GORDON CRUTCHER, JR.-88

Leona Collins-84 Duane Dunn-72  
Gina Wadsworth-71 Lela Leyva-65  
Johnnie Garica-63 Kenneth Miller-63  
Mitchell Tobey, Sr.-55 Robert L. James-57  
Carolyn Harry-53 Diana Mitchell-52  
Anthony Sampson, Sr.-51 Robert E. James-47  
Joshua Davis-35 Norman Duncan-28  
Carla Eben-33 Gerald Hunter-28  
Jenifer Smith-20 Imagene Scott-21  
Duane Florez-17

### PL HIGH SCHOOL BOARD

(2 seats—3 yr terms)

CAROLYN HARRY-121 FANNIE ELY-106  
Teresa Wright-93 Melissa Decker-91  
Leona Collins-70 Carla Eben-44  
Carol Smith-53 Beverly Harry-25  
Tanya Ruiz-20 Fedrico Ruiz-11

Congratulations to all the winners.

**"Four rules of leadership in a free legislative body:**

**First, no matter how hard-fought the issue, never get personal. Don't say or do anything that may come back to haunt you on another issue, another day....**

**Second, do your homework. You can't lead without knowing what you're talking about....**

**Third, the American legislative process is one of give and take. Use your power as a leader to persuade, not intimidate....**

**Fourth, be considerate of the needs of your colleagues, even if they're at the bottom of the totem pole...."**

— George Bush, Former President of the United States

## FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The financial department consists of 8 staff, who perform a multitude of tasks, most notably are; accounts payable, accounts receivable, payroll, cash management, oversight of 107 fund accounts and budgets, financial reporting to grantor agencies and the tribal council.

The tribe employs 165-190 employees annually. We received contractual services from an accounting firm who provides monthly technical support.

Due to the fact that we expend more the \$500,000 in federal awards per year our Tribe is required under the Single Audit Act to obtain an annual financial audit.

Our last completed audit is 2011 and the auditors issued an "unqualified opinion," which is good. An "unqualified opinion" represents that the Tribe has presented fairly the financial position of Tribe with no material misstatements.

In 2011, the Tribe received revenues of \$29.6 million, \$15.6 million was from federal contract and grants, \$7.6 million came from investment income and \$6.3 million was generated from general revenues. Our general revenues consist of Indirect, Program generated, permits and fees, taxes and rents and leases.

(See Pie Charts)

In 2011 the Tribe expended \$21.4 million; \$6 million was spent on capital outlay, which was mainly land acquisition and geo thermal development. Other major areas of expenditures are; general govt., natural resources, Health and Welfare, Public Safety and Social Services.

(See Pie charts)

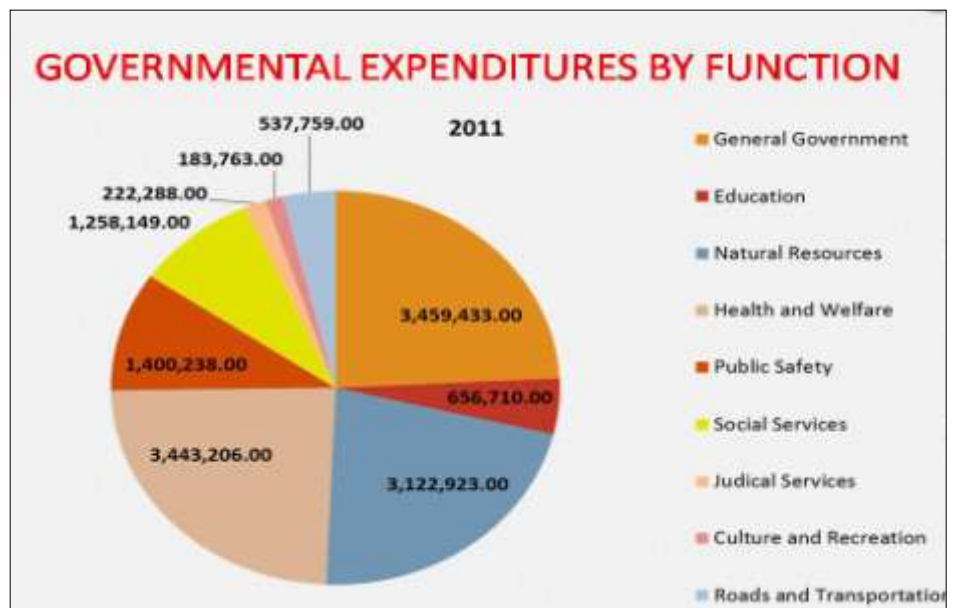
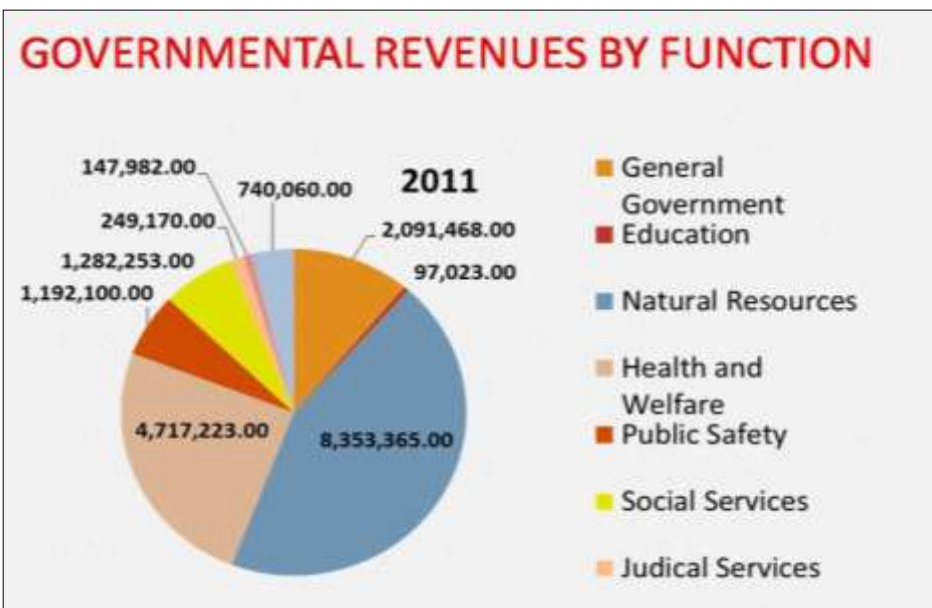
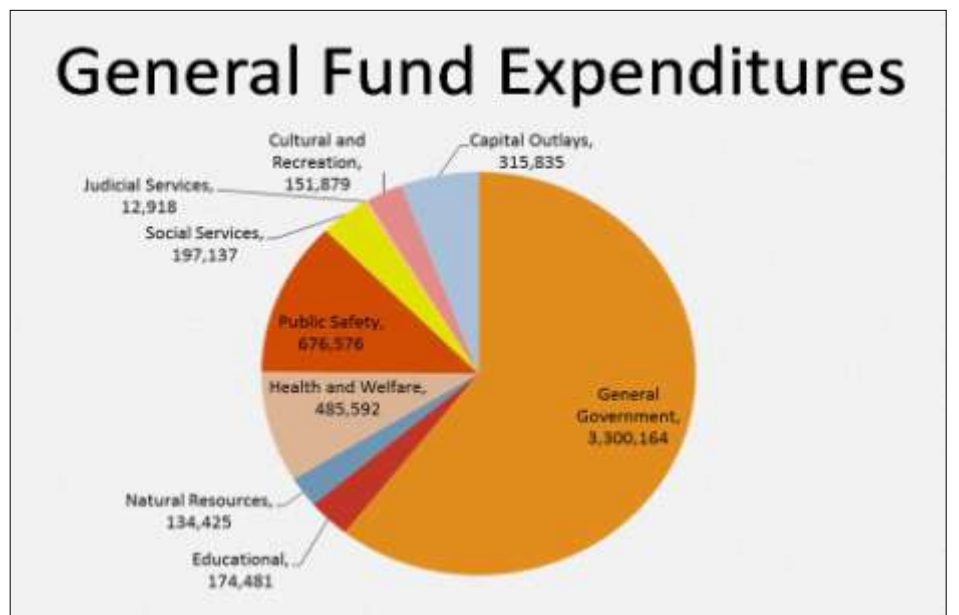
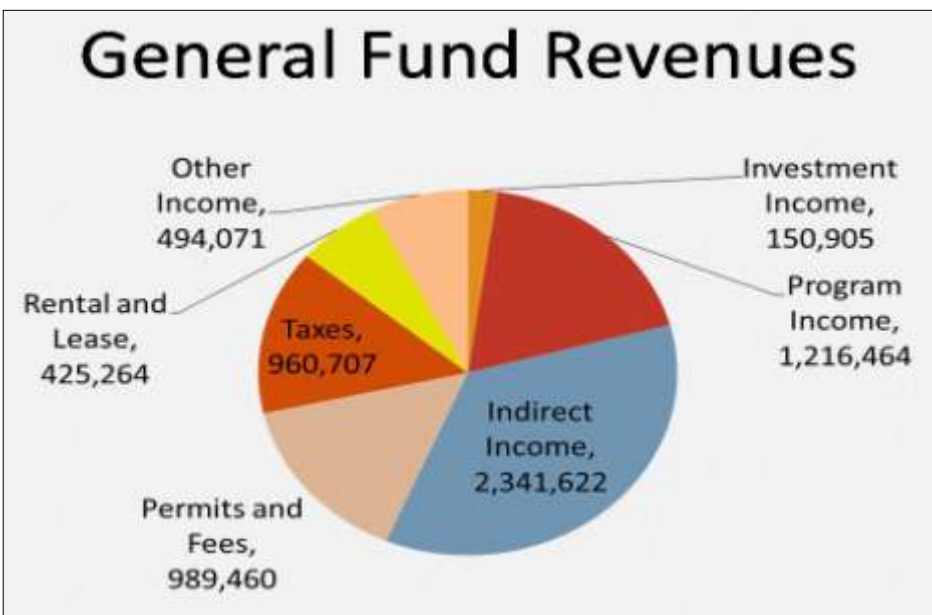
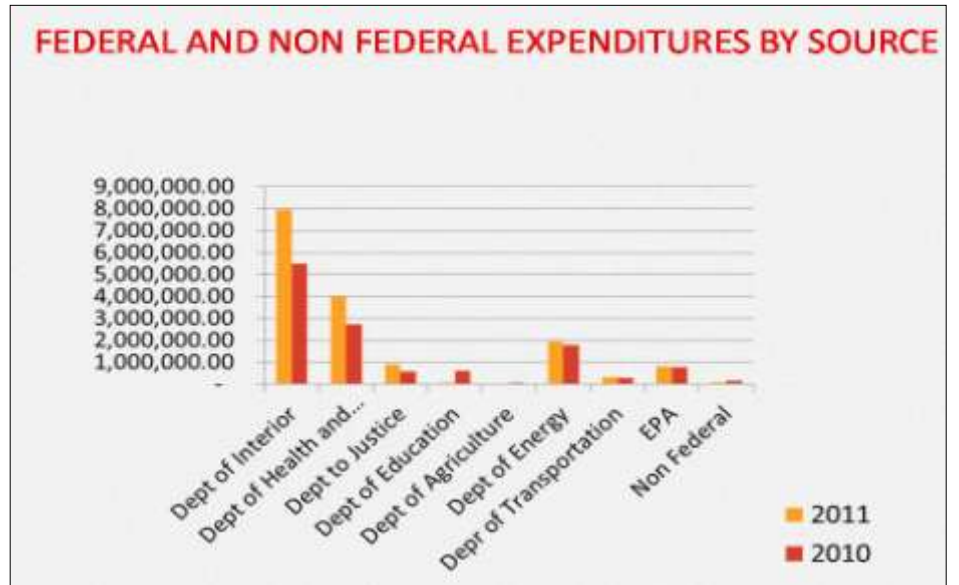
In 2012 the Tribal approved a \$39 million budget; 85% is federal/state contract and grant funding.

The proposed 2013 Budget will be approximately \$33.7 million. The breakdown is as follows:

Direct federal/state contract & grants	\$ 28,101,681
Indirect federal/state	\$ 1,676,516
Direct general funds	\$ 3,302,560
Indirect general funds	\$ 665,020

Our budget process begins in September and is initiated by the Appropriation Committee. The appropriations committee consists of four members; the Tribal Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, the Tribal Administrator and the Comptroller. The committee projects revenues based on a five-year historical trend or awarded funding. All program budgets are aligned with the projected revenues to achieve a balanced budget.

The Tribal Council may realign program budgets based on priorities, needs, service and availability of resources. The Tribal Council approves the final budget.



**TRANSPORTATION**

The Tribal Transportation Planning office was established to provide technical management on road construction from design phase through final acceptance. The Department acts as liaison between the Tribe and other Transportation related agencies to coordinate roads planning and construction activities. The office personnel consist of a Transportation Planner and Secretary. The Transportation Planning Office has been in existence from May 2009 and is located at the Tribal Administration Building and funded through BIA transportation department funding.

Transportation Planning Department Projects: Wadsworth Bypass Road Construction, Pelican Point Design, Pyramid Lake Transit Planning (New), and Wadsworth Community Center Parking Lot with Access Road (New).

**WADSWORTH BYPASS ROAD**

The Wadsworth Bypass Road project is still in progress. This bypass road provides a primary route circumnavigating the town center which would keep non-local traffic out of the school/neighborhood area. The total length of realignment beginning at State Route 427 at the south end proceeding to connect with existing State Route 447 at the north end is 2.68 miles. By relocating this road approximately 4,000 ft. to the west, we would achieve an increased level of safety by providing that traffic; especially semi-trucks with trailers would not run through the school zone.

The Tribal Transportation Planning department continues to meet with Nevada Department of Transportation, BIA, and Summit Engineering to proceed with the design portion of this project. Summit Engineering is working to ensure that the plans meet Federal specifications and will be acceptable to NDOT. The project currently stands at the 60% completion of the Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E'S). NDOT has assigned a Project Manager for this project. The Tribal

Transportation Planner is working to assure that design work will continue and the project meets contract requirements.



**PELICAN POINT PROJECT**

The Pelican Point Project, American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), will consist of the survey, design, environmental clearance, archaeological clearance, right-of way and final plans for the upgrade of the Pelican Point Road area. This project will also include improved access road and parking areas at Pelican Point. Summit Engineering continues as the contractor for this design project. This project is nearing the 100% completion of the Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E'S). We are expecting to have the project substantially complete by the end of March 2013.

**PYRAMID LAKE TRANSIT PROJECT**

Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA) assists Native American Tribes to qualify for the Tribal Passenger Transportation Technical Assistance Program to develop planning system start up, facility development transportation coordination, training, and other public transit problem solving activities. The Pyramid Lake Paiute tribe has been approved for technical assistance through Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA) to develop a Tribal

Transit system. We are one of three projects selected for participation in the program this year. This planning project will help the Tribe with submitting an application to start a transit system for the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.

CTAA represented by Mr. Charles Rutkowski has hired a transit planning consultant, LSC Transportation INC to meet with the tribe and draft a transit plan. We have had the Mobility Visioning Workshop, November 8, 2012 and the first meeting with the Transit Planning consultant LSC Transportation on December 4, 2012. LSC transportation INC will continue working with the Tribal Transit advisory group to compete the Tribal Transit Plan.

**WADSWORTH COMMUNITY CENTER PARKING AREA AND ACCESS ROAD PROJECT**

The Transportation Planning department is working to develop a project to improve the access road and proposed parking area for the new Wadsworth Community Center. This project will begin with a project to design the parking area and access road. The continued plan is to have a project to pave and drain the access road & parking lot area. We have contracted Summit Engineering of Reno to design the project. Summit Engineering has started to design the project and was on site the week of December 17<sup>th</sup> to survey and obtain soil tests for the project.

The Transportation Planning Staff will continue to work to improve the Transportation system of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.

Johnnie M. Garcia  
Transportation Planner

Jolene Henry  
Transportation Planning Secretary

**GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY**

**December 19, 2012, Praxis Employees paid a SURPRISE Visit to the Little Warrior Daycare in Nixon....Good Job Guys!!!**

*Broadband Technology Opportunity Program  
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe  
P.O. Box 256 | Nixon, Nevada 89424  
775-453-5710 | btopadmin@plpt.nsn.us*



The 7-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Warriors team would like to say THANK YOU!!  
Thank you for buying raffle tickets and supporting us in our fundraiser.  
Coach Allan Tobey will be contacting winners of the raffle.


## PYRAMID LAKE TRIBAL HEALTH CLINIC

Opened in 1986, the Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic is committed to providing you and your family the highest quality health care. We have many providers from various health care disciplines practicing at the Health Clinic, we emphasize teamwork and collaboration, this helps strengthen the quality of care you expect at the Clinic.

The Clinic's relationship with its patients is very important. We hope the information you find in this article will inform you and assist you in your health care.

### Hours of Operation

Monday–Friday 8am-12n/12:30-4:30pm  
 Wednesday: 8am-12noon ONLY  
 PHONE# 775-574-1018  
 Tuesday – Diabetic Clinic

 *Walk-Ins are welcomed for urgent care, it is recommended to call ahead to speak to a Nurse. Non-urgent patients are encouraged to make **appointments** to avoid long wait times and allow providers proper time for a complete appointment.*

*Diabetics should make appointments for Tuesday*

to receive **Diabetic Education and Nutrition** from *Susie Realdson the Diabetic Educator.*



*Please keep your Dental appointment or call in advance to re-schedule, allowing another patient an appointment time.*

Call **24 hours** ahead of time for prescription refills and check your # of refills, avoid a last minute Doctor appointment. You can now do refills by email: [pharmacy@plpt.nsn.us](mailto:pharmacy@plpt.nsn.us)

Drop off your used medication pill bottles for disposal in the **Pill Bottle Box**, located in the Health Clinic lobby or at the Pharmacy Department.

Bring all your pill bottles to your Doctor's appointments so they can see what medications you are currently taking, and your blood glucose meter, so the Doctor can review your test results.

It is flu season, remember to get your flu shot and wash your hands. Masks are available at the Patient Registration desk for those with a cough; avoid spreading germs to other waiting patients.



New to our medical staff are Dr. William Ta and Jamie Williams, Medical Assistant.

The Health Clinic is proud of the newly installed state of the art equipment in the Dental and Optometry Departments.

Communicate and coordinate with the **Contract Health Services** for referrals and the **Health Benefits Coordinator** for Medicaid and Medicare resources so timelines are met and all paperwork is complete.

Say hello to our CHRs and Nurses performing home visits and serving the health of our community.

Thank you to all who participated in the Health Clinic Patient Satisfaction Survey, your participations is valuable; look for the next survey - April 2013; and congratulations to our drawing winners.



Bring your **insurance cards** with you to appointments, especially in January, as the Patient Registration Department is updating patient records for the new year.



## Emergency

Remember you have **72 hours** to notify the **Contract Health Services Staff** of an **Emergency Visit**. **Elders 65+ and disabled persons are allowed 30 days to provide notification.** Please have the following information ready when calling:

- ⇒ **How you went to the Emergency Room** (Private Vehicle, Ambulance, Careflight, etc.)
- ⇒ **What Hospital did you go to** (Renown, NNMC or St. Mary's). Sometimes private insurances, Advantage plans, NV Medicaid-HMO may have specific Hospitals that you will need to utilize. I.H.S. Ask that you utilize these facilities, which will give you maximum coverage from your insurance benefits.
- ⇒ **What date and time do you go to Emergency Room.** Remember that if you go to Emergency during hours that the Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic is open, you maybe responsible for the payment. If you feel that this is an emergency that cannot wait please contact the PLTHC Nurse and she will asses the situation and note that you will be going directly to ER instead of coming to the clinic.

**NOTE:** If the ER Physician is instructing you to follow-up with him at ER and/or their offices; or to see a specialist such as Orthopedic, Cardiologist, etc. you are still responsible to return to the clinic for a referral. If you go on your own you will be responsible for the payment.

It is important that if you have gone to the emergency room that you follow-up with the clinic. If you need assistance at home while you are recovering, please let the nursing staff know that you would like a CHR to visit your home.

Notification can be made to Contract Health Services @ **(775)574-1018** (if CHS Clerk is unavailable you may leave message with any Clinic Staff.)

Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic					
Patient Satisfaction Survey (October 24-November 7, 2012) RESULTS (63 Responders)					
Question	Excellent 5	Very Good 4	Good 3	Fair 2	Poor 1
How satisfied are you with the services provided to you and your family at this Clinic?	20	19	19	7	0
How would you rate the cleanliness of our clinic (treatment rooms, waiting are, restrooms)?	22	27	14	1	1
How satisfied are you with the friendliness of the clinic staff?	26	22	13	3	1
How satisfied are you that patient confidentiality is protected throughout the clinic?	16	22	12	12	2
How would you rate our appointment system for the medical department?	22	21	14	6	1
How would you rate our appointment system for the dental department?	13	14	11	12	10
How would you rate our appointment system for the optometry department?	22	13	14	9	1
How would you rate your ability to come into this clinic as a walk-in?	24	17	20	4	0
How would you rate the providers staff taking enough time with you and telling you what you need to know?	24	20	14	5	1
	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor
Question	5	4	3	2	1
How comfortable are you in talking with your provider?	26	18	16	3	0
How would you rate the quality of care you received at your last visit?	23	19	14	8	1
How would you rate the staff teaching you about your medication?	23	16	16	5	2
Were you given instructions for follow up care: Yes (37) NO (5)					
If you were referred for an outside provider, how well did staff deal with the referral?	5	7	3	2	2
The Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic thanks all who participated in the Patient Survey, the information you provide is valuable to the Health Clinic's mission to provide quality health care. Look for the next Patient Survey in April 2013.					
<b>Drawing Winners: \$50.00 Gift Card/Dewey Sampson, \$50.00 Gift Care/Shaudah Russell, Movie Ticker/Melissa Decker</b>					
Patti Sicherman, Health Director					



## INSURANCE INFORMATION



Remember to bring in any current insurance cards or information to Patient Registration to update your information in our systems. It is important to have the most recent and current information so that the Billing Department can bill for the services rendered.

## PYRAMID LAKE TRIBAL HEALTH CLINIC

### Alternate Resources

It is important that if you are eligible to apply for Alternate Resources through your employer, State of NV Medicaid, Check-up, etc., you do so as it is beneficial when and if you need Contract Health Services. Failure to comply with applying for alternate resources may cause your services to be denied and you will be responsible for the costs that may incur.



Do you know that you are able to access the NV Medicaid and NV Check-up application on-line? You will need a computer or call the clinic to schedule a time to come in and complete the application online @ <https://dwss.nv.gov/> with our Health Benefits Representative. If you have a scheduled appointment with the Health Benefits Representative, please make sure that you have all the supporting documents such as: Birth Certificate, NV Drivers License, Tribal ID, proof of

residency from the Housing Office, landlord or letter written by your neighbor; verifiable income for the last three months. These can be scanned and uploaded along with your application to expedite the process, however they have 90 days to make a determination.

Remember to bring all correspondence from the Welfare Department into the clinic once received so that we may help you understand the decision that is being made. Sometimes their letters are confusing and they may just be requesting additional documentation. It is important that if they are asking for additional documentation that you comply and return at once as you only have 10 days to get these back into your caseworker to make a determination or they will terminate the process and you will have to reapply.

### Pregnancy:

If you become pregnant, it is mandatory that you apply for NV Medicaid even if you have private insurance or you feel you are over income. If you

are over income you would need to apply and receive a Letter of Ineligibility from the Welfare Department that your you are in fact OVER INCOME. Again if you fail to apply you will be responsible for all cost that may incur during pregnancy and the delivery as Contract Health Services will deny payment.

### Payor of last resort and alternate resources requirements:

*The Indian Health Service is the payor of last resort for services provided to CHS eligible patients under these regulations, notwithstanding any State or Local Law or regulation to the contrary. [42 CFR 136.61] I.H.S. will determine whether:*

- The person is already active in an alternate resource, or
- The person is potentially eligible for the alternate resources, or
- The person would be eligible for the alternate resources if he or she were to apply for the available alternate resource.

## SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS / MEDICARE

### When should I apply?

If you are already getting Social Security retirement or disability benefits or railroad retirement checks, you will be contacted a few months before you become eligible for Medicare and given the information you need. If you live in one of the 50 states or Washington, D.C., you will be enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B automatically. **However, because you must pay a premium for Part B coverage, you have the option of turning it down.**

If you are not already getting retirement benefits, you should contact us about three months before your 65th birthday to sign up for Medicare. **You can sign up for Medicare even if you do not plan to retire at age 65.**

Once you are enrolled in Medicare, you will receive a red, white and blue Medicare card showing whether you have Part A, Part B or both. Keep your card in a safe place so you will have it when you need it. If your card is ever lost or stolen, you can apply for a replacement card on the Internet at [www.socialsecurity.gov/medicarecard](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/medicarecard) or call Social Security's toll-free number. You also will receive a *Medicare & You* handbook (Publication No. CMS-10050) that describes your Medicare benefits and plan choices.

### Special enrollment situations

You also should contact Social Security about applying for Medicare if:

- ▶ You are a disabled widow or widower between age 50 and age 65, but have not applied for disability benefits because you are already getting another kind of Social Security benefit;
- ▶ You are a government employee and became disabled before age 65;
- ▶ You, your spouse or your dependent child has permanent kidney failure;
- ▶ You had Medicare medical insurance in the past but dropped the coverage; or
- ▶ You turned down Medicare medical insurance when you became entitled to hospital insurance (Part A).

### Initial enrollment period for Part B

When you first become eligible for hospital insurance (Part A), you have a seven-month period (your initial enrollment period) in which to sign up for medical insurance (Part B). A delay on your part will cause a delay in coverage and result in higher premiums. If you are eligible at age 65, your initial enrollment period begins three months

before your 65th birthday, includes the month you turn age 65 and ends three months after that birthday. If you are eligible for Medicare based on disability or permanent kidney failure, your initial enrollment period depends on the date your disability or treatment began.

### When does my enrollment in Part B become effective?

If you accept the automatic enrollment in Medicare Part B, or if you enroll in Medicare Part B during the first three months of your initial enrollment period, your medical insurance protection will start with the month you are first eligible. If you enroll during the last four months, your protection will start from one to three months after you enroll.

The following chart shows when your Medicare Part B becomes effective:

If you enroll in this month of your Initial enrollment period at:	Then your Part B Medicare coverage starts:
One to three months before you reach age 65	The month you reach age 65
The month you reach age 65	One month after the month you reach age 65
One month after you reach age 65	Two months after the month of enrollment
Two or three months after you reach age 65	Three months after the month of enrollment

### General enrollment period for Part B

If you do not enroll in Medicare Part B during your initial enrollment period, you have another chance each year to sign up during a "general enrollment period" from January 1 through March 31. Your coverage begins on July 1 of the year you enroll. **However, your monthly premium increases 10 percent for each 12-month period you were eligible for, but did not enroll in, Medicare Part B.**

### Special enrollment period for people leaving Part C

If you have a Medicare Advantage plan (Part C), you can leave your plan and switch to original Medicare from January 1 through February 14. If you use this option, you also have until February 14 to join a Medicare prescription drug plan. Your coverage begins the first day of the month after the plan gets your enrollment form.

### Special enrollment period for people covered under an employer group health plan

If you are 65 or older and are covered under a group health plan, either from your own or your spouse's **current employment**, you have a

"special enrollment period" in which to sign up for Medicare Part B. This means that you may delay enrolling in Medicare Part B without having to wait for a general enrollment period and paying the 10 percent premium surcharge for late enrollment. The rules allow you to:

- Enroll in Medicare Part B any time while you are covered under the group health plan based on current employment; or
- Enroll in Medicare Part B during the eight-month period that begins following the last month your group health coverage ends, or following the month employment ends—whichever comes first.

Special enrollment period rules do not apply if employment or employer-provided group health plan coverage ends during your initial enrollment period.

When you enroll in Medicare Part B while you are still in the group health plan or during the first full month when you are no longer in the plan, your coverage begins either:

- On the first day of the month you enroll; or
- At your option, on the first day of any of the following three months.

If you enroll during any of the remaining seven months of the "special enrollment period," your Medicare Part B coverage begins on the first day of the following month.

If you do not enroll by the end of the eight-month period, you will have to wait until the next general enrollment period, which begins January 1 of the next year. You also may have to pay a higher premium, as described previously.

People who receive Social Security disability benefits and are covered under a group health plan from either their own or a family member's current employment also have a special enrollment period and premium rights that are similar to those for workers age 65 or older.

For more information, contact the Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic at 574-1018 Ext: 213.

**General Enrollment Period for Part B**  
**If you do not enroll in Medicare Part B during your initial enrollment period you have another chance each year to sign up during a "general enrollment period" from January 1 through March 31. Your coverage begins the following July.**



# Sumunumu

Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Center | December 2012



Pyramid Lake High School | San Diego, California  
Native Wellness Institute/Native Youth Leadership 2012

Sumunumu supported the Pyramid Lake High School in sponsoring youth to Native Wellness Institute/Native Youth Leadership Academy San Diego, California. November 28-December 1, 2012

PLHS youth: Marisa Bill, Mariah New Moon, Sequoia Decker, Danielle Bennett, Shareena Oakie, Shaliah Johns, Pam Rodriguez, Rolan Cypher, Tone Pizano, Isaiah Christy. (pictured above)

Youth represented surrounding communities who come from Fallon, Gardnerville, Nixon, Wadsworth, Sutcliffe area. 10 youth were selected from the high school based on attendance and grade point average.

Chaperones, PLHS staff, Marvin Freitas and Loni Romo, Sumunumu staff, Diana Mitchell. Sumunumu provided Transportation & registration and lodging for youth and chaperones.



**Topics:** Find Your Medicine, Self-care, importance of culture and spirituality, Leadership, Finding your voice, Public speaking.

## Native Youth Leadership Academy 2012



*Merry Christmas  
And  
Happy New Year!!!  
Sumunumu Staff:  
Judy Kroshus  
Kathy Wright  
Diana Mitchell*



## WALK IN MEMORY WALK FOR HOPE ~ SEPTEMBER 15, 2012



The Sumunumu supported the Walk in Memory-Walk for Hope event and PLTHC provided the food. Food Provided by Hoya Deli.

Nevada Coalition for Suicide Prevention (NCSP) created community suicide prevention walks which take place across the State.

- 2007 Reno and Las Vegas began this event and it has grown from year to year
- 2009 Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe began the community Walk for Memory/Walk for Hope event and 2012 was the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual event.

This Year there were 9 communities statewide walking at the same time including: Pyramid Lake, Reno, Winnemucca, Elko Yerington, Minden/Gardnerville, Las Vegas, Henderson, Pahrump and Mesquite.

<b>Director:</b> Judy Kroshus	For more information:
<b>Counselor:</b> Kathy Wright	Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Center
<b>Prevention:</b> Diana Mitchell	775-574-1018 775-574-1111

- 2006 Walk for Memory/ Walk for Hope began in Elko



## Are You a Veteran or Concerned About One?

Many Veterans may not show any signs of intent to harm themselves before doing so, but some actions can be a sign that a Veteran needs help. Veterans in crisis may show behaviors that indicate a risk of harming themselves.

Veterans who are considering suicide often show signs of depression, anxiety, low self-esteem, and/or hopelessness, such as:

- ⌘ Appearing sad or depressed most of the time
- ⌘ Clinical depression: deep sadness, loss of interest, trouble sleeping and eating—that doesn't go away or continues to get worse
- ⌘ Feeling anxious, agitated, or unable to sleep
- ⌘ Withdrawing from friends, family, and society, or sleeping all the time
- ⌘ Losing interest in hobbies, work, school, or other things one used to care about
- ⌘ Frequent and dramatic mood changes
- ⌘ Expressing feelings of excessive guilt or shame
- ⌘ Feelings of failure or decreased performance
- ⌘ Feeling that life is not worth living, having no sense of purpose in life
- ⌘ Talk about feeling trapped—like there is no way out of a situation
- ⌘ Having feelings of desperation, and saying that there's no solution to their problems

Their behavior may be dramatically different from their normal behavior, or they may appear to be actively contemplating or preparing for a suicidal act through behaviors such as:

- ⌘ Performing poorly at work or school
- ⌘ Acting recklessly or engaging in risky activities—seemingly without thinking
- ⌘ Showing violent behavior such as punching holes in walls, getting into fights or self-destructive violence; feeling rage or uncontrolled anger or seeking revenge
- ⌘ Looking as though one has a "death wish," tempting fate by taking risks that could lead to death, such as driving fast or running red lights
- ⌘ Putting affairs in order, tying up loose ends, and/or making out a will
- ⌘ Seeking access to firearms, pills, or other means of harming oneself

If you are a Veteran or know a Veteran who is showing any of the above warning signs, please call the Veterans Crisis Line, send a text message, or call the Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic at 574-1018 to make an appointment with Behavioral Health today.



## Dealing with Loss during the Holidays

The holiday season can be especially difficult for individuals and families who are grieving the loss of a loved one. "There is no right or wrong way to grieve," shares Emilio Parga, Executive Director of the solace Tree. "Some have said that not having their loved one with them during the holidays has intensified their pain, others have talked about the joy that has been experienced through continuing traditions that were special to the loved one that they have lost."

The holidays can be a transitional period for the family that has experienced the loss of a loved one. It is a significant time of the year that holds many memories of times gone by. These times will always be meaningful and so will the holidays, although they will be different now. "Try to live each moment of life in the present; it is the only existence we all share. Make these holidays your special times."

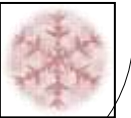
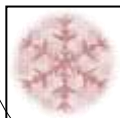
- ♥ Talk about your grief as a family and **don't be afraid to talk about the person** who has died. Share your thoughts, feelings and memories with people you trust.
- ♥ Invite children in the family to help make choices or decisions about what to do or not to do during the upcoming holidays.
- ♥ Be prepared for all types of reactions. Each individual grieves at their own pace.
- ♥ Children and adolescents need time to grieve. Allow them space, either alone or with support.
- ♥ Keep the spirit alive for young children. It will play a role in their future beliefs about the holiday season.
- ♥ Do things that are simple such as only decorating one room instead of the whole house.
- ♥ Shop online or through catalogs for gifts.
- ♥ Be honest with your feelings. Try keeping a journal. Write a letter to your loved one.
- ♥ If faith is important to you then find comfort in your community.
- ♥ Take care of yourself during this time. Be patient, gentle and kind with yourself and your children.

*These are only suggestions, and may or may not be appropriate for your circumstance.*

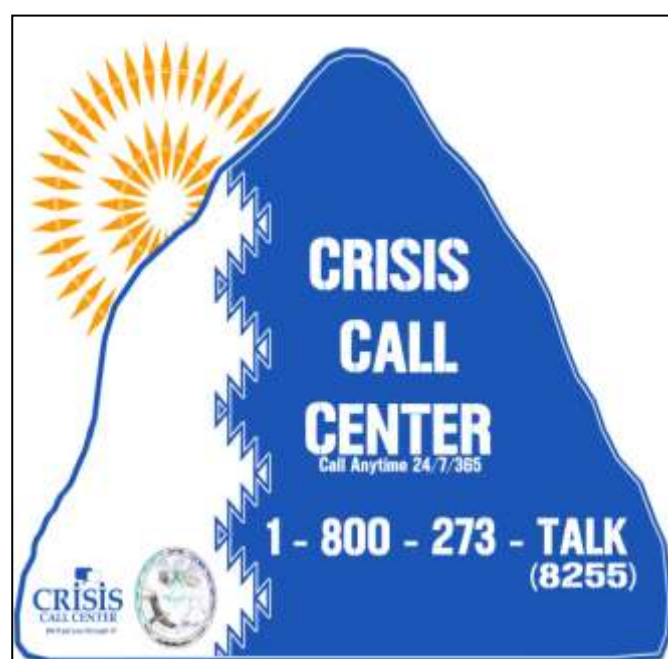
If you or someone you know is in crisis please call:

1-800-273-TALK (8255)

Or call the Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic at 574-1018 to make an appointment with Behavioral Health today.



If you feel you are in crisis, whether or not you are thinking about suicide, please call the Lifeline:



People have called us for help with substance abuse, economic worries, relationship and family problems, sexual orientation, illness, getting over abuse, depression, mental and physical illness, and even loneliness.

# 2013 PYRAMID LAKE EVENTS

Event	Date	Day	Place
Sacred Visions Social Pow-Wow	February 2	Saturday	Nixon Gym
PL Sumunumu-Prevention Pow-Wow	February 16	Saturday	Nixon Gym
<b>26th Annual Crosby President's Day Fishing Derby</b>	Feb 9-10; Feb 16-17	Sat-Sun	Sutcliffe
9th Annual Ken Hembre Classic Fishing Derby	March 17-18	Sun-Mon	Sutcliffe
3rd Annual Spring Catch & Release Fishing Derby	April 6-7; April 13-14	Sat-Sun	Sutcliffe
International Migratory Bird Day	May 11	Saturday	Pyramid Lake
Free Fishing Day	May 11	Saturday	Pyramid Lake
PL War Memorial Day	May 17	Friday	Nixon
PL War Sunrise Ceremony & Eagle Spirit Run	May 17	Friday	Nixon
Memorial Day Weekend	May 25-27	Sat-Mon	Pyramid Lake
Pyramid Lake Veterans & Warriors Memorial Celebration	May 27	Monday	Nixon
Last Day of Trout Fishing Season	June 30	Sunday	Pyramid Lake
Fourth of July	July 4	Thursday	Pyramid Lake
5th Annual Sacred Visions Pow-Wow	July 19-21	Fri-Sun	Wadsworth
Pyramid Lake Sprint Triathlon	August 3 (Tentative)	Saturday	Sutcliffe
Pyramid Lake Art Show	August 24-25	Sat-Sun	Nixon
Labor Day Weekend	August 31-Sept 2	Sat-Mon	Pyramid Lake
Burning Man Festival	August 25-Sept 2	Sun-Mon	Black Rock Desert
Centennial Celebration of Anaho Island National Refuge	September 4	Wednesday	Nixon
Open Day Fishing Season	October 1	Tuesday	Pyramid Lake
<b>9th Annual "Ride the Rez" Tahoe-Pyramid Bikeway</b>	October 19	Saturday	Wadsworth
<b>Veteran's Day Weekend</b>	November 9-11	Sat-Mon	Pyramid Lake
<b>Pyramid Lake Veterans &amp; Warriors Veteran's Day Social Pow-Wow</b>	November 11	Monday	Nixon

**LEARN HOW TO CONDUCT AN ENERGY AUDIT**  
 INSTRUCTION IS AVAILABLE TO ALL TRIBE MEMBERS

Register now:

- \* Learn how to evaluate utility bills and calculate energy use
- \* Find energy leaks using a blower door and infra-red camera
- \* Conduct audits on lighting, plug loads, heaters, air conditioners, water heaters, refrigerators, and freezers
- \* Learn how to determine the heating and cooling needs of any building
- \* Learn how to do cost estimates of retrofits, calculate savings, and determine return on investment
- \* Perform safety inspections and maintenance procedures for a solar array

January 10-11, 2013  
 9 am – 5 pm  
 PL Tribal Chambers

Contact: Anthony Jacks  
 Energy Efficiency Manager  
 Black Rock Solar  
 anthony@blackrocksolar.org  
 (775) 250-5979  
[www.blackrocksolar.org](http://www.blackrocksolar.org)

*Previous experience is not required to attend. This training is open to all tribe members in good standing with an interest in energy auditing and solar array maintenance.*

**PREVENTION POW-WOW**  
 February 16, 2013  
 Nixon Gymnasium  
 All dancers & drums are welcome!

**Grand Entry:**  
 1pm & 7pm\*  
 \*Weather Permitting

<b>Jingle Dress Special</b>	<b>Games &amp; Prizes</b>
<b>Hand Drum Contest</b>	<b>Vendor Tables</b>
<b>Community Dinner</b>	<b>CupCake Walk</b>
<b>Owl Dance Special</b>	<b>Raffle</b>

For more information contact:  
 Diana Mitchell 775-574-1111 x242  
 Monica Atlookan 775-574-1111 x241



IN THE PYRAMID LAKE TRIBAL COURT IN AND FOR THE  
PYRAMID LAKE INDIAN RESERVATION  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA

FRED CROSBY )  
APPLICANT, )  
CASE NO: PL.CV-CM-2012-0045  
VS. )  
NOTICE TO TRANSFER PROPERTY  
RODNEY TSCHETTER )  
RESPONDENT. )

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FRED CROSBY has filed a Petition to Transfer Property, 1961, MAKE: Winnebago, MODEL: Travel Trailer AND VIN#: 7WB66116T8381, located at 30605 Sutcliffe, Reno, NV, 89510, from RODNEY TSCHETTER, to his name, FRED CROSBY.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any person having objection to the transfer as aforesaid shall file written objection to the Pyramid Lake Tribal Court at the address below within Ten (10) days after date of the last publication of this Notice, to-wit: April 10, 2013.

DATED THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2012.

/s/ Anthony Asetamy, Court Clerk  
P.O. Box 257 | Nixon, NV 89424 | (775) 574-1094

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CASE NO: PL.CV-CM-2012-0044  
VS. )  
NOTICE TO TRANSFER PROPERTY  
ALVIN IVERSON )  
RESPONDENT. )

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FRED CROSBY has filed a Petition to Transfer Property, 1958, MAKE: TEEN, MODEL: N/A AND VIN#:A77842, located at 30605 SUTCLIFFE, SUTCLIFFE, NV, 89510, from ALVIN IVERSON, to his name, FRED CROSBY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FRED CROSBY has filed a Petition to Transfer Property, 1964, MAKE: DORSETT, MODEL: 16'3" AND VIN#:CL11C289, located at 30605 SUTCLIFFE, RENO, NV, 89510, from ALVIN IVERSON, to his name, FRED CROSBY.

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WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA

FRED CROSBY )  
APPLICANT, )  
CASE NO: PL.CV-CM-2012-0046  
VS. )  
NOTICE TO TRANSFER PROPERTY  
UNKNOWN )  
RESPONDENT. )

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FRED CROSBY has filed a Petition to Transfer Property, 1970, APACHE TENT TRAILER-VIN 7490, located at 30605 Sutcliffe, Reno, NV 89510, from UNKNOWN NAME, to his name, FRED CROSBY.

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**Social Pow-Wow**  
**Saturday February 2, 2013**  
**Nixon, NV**  
**Tribal Gymnasium**  
**Grand Entry 1pm - ?**  
*"Welcoming the New Year"*  
**Host Drum: TBA**  
**All Dancers & Drums will be Paid**  
**All Drums & Hand Drums invited!**  
**Cake walks, raffles, 50/50 to be played throughout pow-wow**  
**Intertribal dancing, round dancing, exhibition dancing & great food!**  
**All proceeds to help fund the 5th Annual Sacred Visions Pow-Wow..**  
**Vendor Space: \$25 / Informational Free**  
For Vendor info, contact Gordon Dodd at 775-560-1551 / gordondodd@yahoo.com  
Janine Lowery at 775-772-0748 or sacredvisions09@cleanwire.net

**REALTY—WRAP UPDATE**

By: Kodie Cook, PLPT Realty Manager

As 2012 comes to a close I wanted to update everyone on the progress of the Water Quality Acquisition (WQSA) Program It has been an extraordinary year for the Program which is entering its 15<sup>th</sup> year. This year PLPT acquired over 1,100 acre feet. As of the writing of this update, a total of 6,854 acre feet of Truckee River water rights have been acquired for the benefit of the lower Truckee River and Pyramid Lake under the WQSA. Of the total amount acquired, 3,570.50 acre feet have been acquired by the Tribe and the remaining amount of 3,283.50 acre feet have been acquired by the local governments of Reno, Sparks and Washoe County as provided for under the Water Quality Settlement Agreement. We have completed 41 separate transactions and already transferred almost all of these water rights to permanent in-stream flows

for the benefit of Pyramid Lake. We are in the process of filing water rights transfer applications with the Nevada State Engineer for our two most recent acquisitions.

We are continuing our acquisition efforts and expect to be acquiring additional water rights over the coming year. The most exciting news is that we are in the process of acquiring the Hardscrabble Creek Ranch (also known as the TH Ranch) west of Sutcliffe which consists of 1,310 acres of land and 478 acre feet of water rights in Hardscrabble Creek. We expect to complete this acquisition by the end of the year.

If you have any questions or want more information, please don't hesitate to call me at 575-2185 or email me at <kcook@plpt.nsn.us>.

## PYRAMID LAKE HOUSING AUTHORITY | 2012 ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

Under NAHASDA, HUD will provide grants, loan guarantees, and technical assistance to Indian Tribes for the development and operation of low-income housing in Indian areas. Recipients of Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) program funds are required to submit an Annual Performance Report (APR) to HUD within 90 days at the end of their program year. The Pyramid Lake Housing Authority (PLHA) is a recipient of IHBG program funds. You may contact the PLHA @ 574.1026 or write to PO Box 210 Nixon, NV 89424 if you have any questions regarding this report.

**MISSION STATEMENT** – The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe is committed to providing the opportunity for safe, decent, sanitary, and affordable housing for tribal members and to do so in a way that is consistent with the **Tribe's social, cultural and economic values.**

PLHA was established by Ordinance No. X. adopted by the Tribal Council February 1963. Article IV of the Ordinance established a Board of Commissioners composed of five persons. Each commissioner serves a **four year term. Every year, a commissioner's term is up** and every year the Tribal Council appoints or re-appoints a commissioner. Monthly Board meetings are held which are open to the public. The Tribal Council adopted resolution No.PL 72-97 which designated the PLHA as the Tribally Designated Housing Entity (TDHE). February 2013, PLHA will have been in operation for 50 years.

The current PLHA Board of Commissioners are Dean Calvin, Chairperson; Ed Ely III, Vice-Chairperson; Judith Davis, Secretary/Treasurer; Irwin Mix, Commissioner; and William Wadsworth, Commissioner. The PLHA staff consists of ten full time employees. Christine John, Executive Director; Jill Mix, Finance Manager; Mary Ann Frazier, Administrative Assistant; Jackie Mix, Development Coordinator; Emma Powell, Development Assistant; Letisha Rosales, Housing Services Specialist; Skyy Jackson, Housing Services Specialist; Tom Monroe, Maintenance Supervisor; Steve Mandell, Maintenance Tech; and Ross Harden, Jr., Maintenance Tech.

There are 192 units under management as of December 2012. 89 are homeownership units, 55 are lease-purchase units and 48 are rental (12 single dwelling and 36 apartments) units. Effective January 2013, 15 more units, NV4-17, will be added to the management stock. The occupancy rate for the homeownership program and the 12 single dwelling rental units is 100%. The rental townhouse apartments occupancy rate averaged about 85%. Presently the LR TH apartments have 11 units vacant. 7 of the those apartment dwellers moved into a newly constructed NV4-17 homebuyer unit.

The annual financial audit for FY11 was conducted by Barlow, Camara & Rowland, CPA APC. The report did not contain any findings. The Board formerly accepted the FY11 audit report June 26, 2012. The FY12 audit is scheduled to be conducted the first quarter of next year by Stephen F. Ward, CPA, P.C.

The Elder/Handicap Housing Assistance Program (E-HAP) has been established as well as the Elders Home Protection Program (E-HPP). The Housing Admin works with the elders to coordinate the various programs available to get needed repairs completed.

There are 34 elder homes presently covered in the home protection program.

In order to enforce the LR leases and MH and HB agreements, the tenant accounts receivable (TARS) are reviewed bi-weekly. TARS are unpaid rent. Notice of Delinquency, Hearings, and Final letters are mailed in **accordance with PLHA's Collection and Eviction Policy.** Payback agreements are entered into in an effort to have the tenants remain in compliance with their agreements. Civil complaints are filed in tribal court for those accounts which will not pay.

The annual inspection of the units are required under the agreements and leases as well as being stipulated in the statute. The annual inspection gives management the opportunity to inspect the units to see the conditions of the unit. For the rentals, work orders are issued to repair or replace needed items. The rental units were inspected the month of February 2012. Under the homebuyer program, the repairs and replacement are the responsibility of the homebuyer. The mutual help and homebuyer units were inspected during May, June, & July, 2012.

**New Construction.** Before any construction starts, the Board determines there is a need for housing. The **resident services department finalizes the homebuyers' waiting list.** The criteria to be eligible for a new home is the applicant must be an enrolled Pyramid Lake Paiute tribal member, income eligible, family of 1 or more, no tribal debts, and willing to accept the responsibility of a home.

The Board is pleased to announce the completion of the new construction known as **'NV4-17'.** **Fifteen units** were built in the Nixon extended sub-division. The Board hired the following firms to work on the project: the architectural firm of Murphy Built Engineering; Ralph Dunn, Project Manager; Black Eagle Consulting, Nortech Geotech/Civil Engineering, and Indian Health Service provided inspection services; Sub-contractors: King Construction, Valley Concrete, Mitch Keever Construction, Gates Plumbing, All Out Electric, Ray LaVoie Roofing, Gale Bldg. Products, Gore Acoustics & Drywall, Gore Painting, Fallon Floors & Bldg. Materials, Ferrell Gas, and Gutters. Development meetings have been held throughout the year to keep the potential homebuyers informed of the progress of the project. Team meetings included tribal staff, housing staff, I.H.S., and the various firms hired for specific services. The new homebuyers started moving into their unit Nov 19, 2012. As of Dec 11th, all 15 units are occupied.



PLHA administers, on behalf of the tribe, Indian Health Service projects. The Bureau of Indian Affairs Housing Improvement Program (BIA-HIP) 638 projects are managed by PLHA. The FY12 Project Summary Listing details the various projects which were completed in 2012. Also listed are the projects which will be carried over and completed in FY13.

FY12 PROJECT SUMMARY – DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT					
PLHA Number	Contact Name	Funding Source	Budget Amount	Contract Amount	Completion Date
D 11-02	NV4-17 New Construction	NAHASDA	2,600,000	Various Contractors	December 2012
D-11-02-A	A&E Murphy Built Engineering	NAHASDA	\$35,000	\$17,459	In Progress
D-11-02-B	Sierra Construction & Dev LLC	"	\$70,000	\$19,793	July 2012
D-11-03-C	Black Eagle Consulting, Inc	"	\$25,000	\$24,209	Dec 2012
D-11-04	NV4-16 W497 Handicap BthRm Renov	NAHASDA	\$7,170	\$5,266	March 2012
D 12-01	Cat. B- Renovation – R Dodd	BIA HIP	\$35,000	\$35,000	May 2012
D 12-02	4-16 W104 Renovation	NAHASDA	\$20,000		2013
D 12-03	4-14 W125 Renovation	NAHASDA	\$45,000		2013
D 12-04	4-15 N468 Renovation	NAHASDA	\$55,000		2013
D 12-05	4-10 W110 Renovation	NAHASDA	\$45,000		2013
D 12-06	4-14 W373 Renovation	NAHASDA	\$45,000		2013
D 12-07	Cat. C- Land Survey M Moore	BIA HIP	\$5,500	\$3,800	2013

FY12 PROJECT SUMMARY – MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT					
PLHA Number	Contact Name	Funding Source	Budget Amount	Contract Amount	Completion Date
Maint-11-06	New Parking Structures NV4-6 TH Apartments	NAHASDA	\$123,000	239,575	March 2013
Maint-11-06A	A&E Services	NAHASDA	\$18,000	\$10,900	March 2013
Maint-11-09A	New Interior Doors NV4-6 N20	NAHASDA	\$1,250	\$1,250	Jan 2012 mat'l only
Maint-11-09B	New Flooring NV4-6 N20	NAHASDA	\$10,000	\$11,560	Jan 2012
Maint-11-09C	New Interior Paint	NAHASDA	\$450	\$450	Jan 2012 mat'l only
Maint 12-01	Pellet Stove Replacement	"	\$6,000	\$7,502	June 2012
Maint 12-02	Office Building Exterior Painting	NPF	\$14,000	\$15,340	October 2012
Maint 12-03	New Flooring 4-5 N21 & 4-6 N34	NAHASDA	\$20,000	\$13,645	August 2012
Maint 12-04	Storage Shed Project	"	\$15,120	\$17,552	Aug 2012 mat'l only
Maint 12-05	Office AC Replacement	"	\$7,000	\$5,626	August 2012

## Participants Wanted for Pyramid Lake Watershed Plan

By Alan McKay-Desert Research Institute, and Olin Anderson-PLPT Environmental Department

In partnership with the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe (PLPT), the Desert Research Institute (DRI) is developing a watershed based plan (WBP) for lands contained within the Pyramid Lake and Lower Truckee River basin, which is predominantly on the PLPT Reservation. The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe needs a watershed-based management plan to: (1) coordinate remediation and pollution prevention efforts on the Reservation, and (2) be eligible for many competitive funding opportunities that rely on the existence of an up-to-date plan.

The final WBP will comprise several elements, including: a thorough description of watershed characteristics such as surface waters, groundwater, soil, geology and land use; an assessment of potential threats to the watershed, with an emphasis on water quality; and recommendations for addressing those threats through grant programs and volunteer efforts.

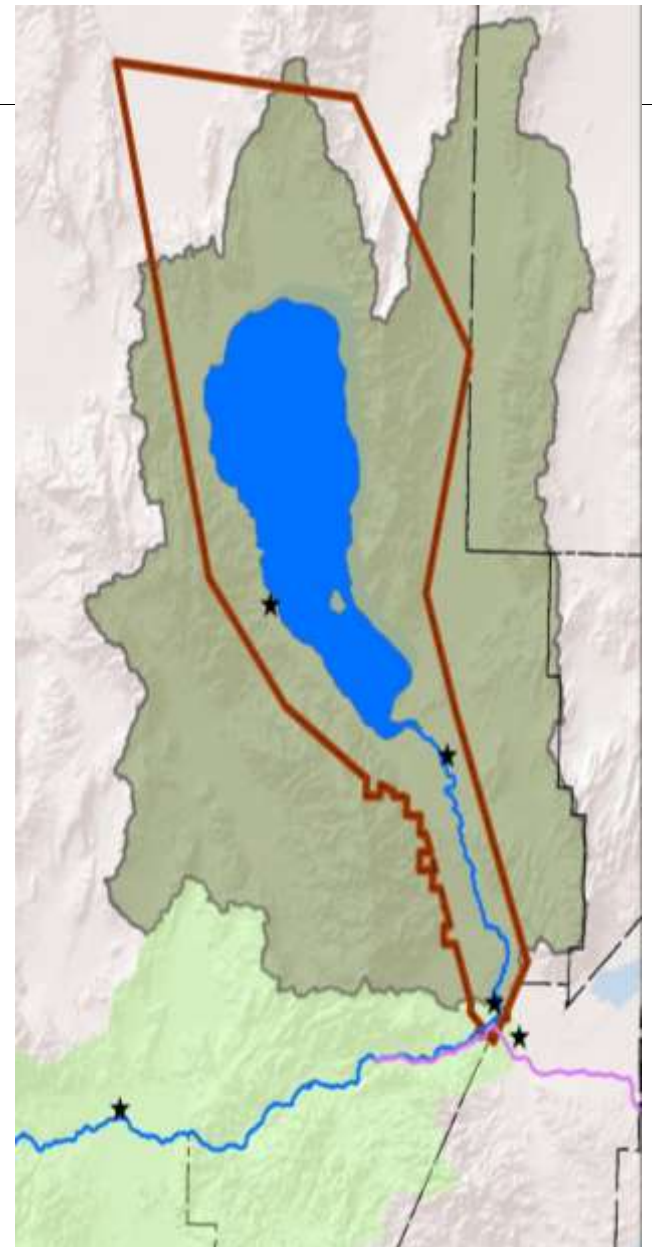
Central to the development of the WBP is involvement of all members of the public, including those from the agricultural, mining and environmental communities. To-date, the project team has conducted two Public Meetings, both of which were held at Tribal headquarters in Nixon. We were pleased with the attendance, and very much appreciated the feedback and

participation by tribal members at these meetings. Additional meetings will be held in the winter and spring of 2013, and we encourage all interested parties who care about the water flowing to Pyramid Lake to attend and provide input, including local groups and non-tribal members.

In addition, the WBP partners are considering new ways to involve the tribal and regional communities in understanding, protecting and restoring their watershed. This may consist of a group of interested individuals or an independent organization that would work to implement improvements to the natural areas and water ways in the Pyramid Lake watershed.

If you are a person or group who wants to help protect and restore an ecosystem that supports wildlife, please get in touch with DRI's WBP facilitator, Sophie Baker, at (775) 673-7462 so that we might bring a new team together.

The Desert Research Institute and the PLPT Environmental Department hopes to have many tribal representatives engaged in this watershed-based group. With your active involvement, the group's goals will be refined, and as they are achieved, the Pyramid Lake watershed will be preserved and improved.



(Map provided by PLPT GIS Services contains the Watershed Plan area in Dark Shading, and the Reservation boundary in a Bold Line)

## United States Department of Agriculture | Natural Resources Conservation Service

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For Immediate Release | Dec. 21, 2012

Contact: Liz Warner, Public Affairs Officer

(775) 857-8500 x 105 | (775) 335-5146

## Applications for Conservation Funding Due Feb. 15

RENO, December 21, 2012 --

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has received more than \$8 million in financial assistance for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) for fiscal year 2013. The funds help Nevada producers implement conservation practices under the agency's largest Farm Bill conservation program. Applications must be received by Feb. 15 to be considered in the next round of funding.

"EQIP offers farmers, ranchers and forestland managers a variety of options to conserve natural resources while boosting production on their lands," said State Conservationist Bruce Petersen. "This investment in conservation helps improve environmental health and the economy of rural communities in Nevada."

EQIP provides financial assistance for a variety of conservation activities, such as irrigation water management, rotational grazing systems, pest control and much more.

Additionally, NRCS offers special initiatives through EQIP, including:

- On-Farm Energy Initiative: helps producers conserve energy on their operations.
- Seasonal High Tunnel Initiative: helps producers install high tunnels designed to extend the growing season into the cold months, increase productivity, keep plants at a steady temperature and conserve water and energy.
- Organic Initiative: helps producers to install conservation practices on certified organic operations or those working toward organic certification.
- Sage-Grouse Initiative – helps sustain working ranches and conserve greater sage-grouse in the West
- Working Lands for Wildlife – helps restore habitat for the Southwestern Willow Flycatcher in southern Nevada



EQIP applications are accepted on a continuous basis but periodic closing dates are announced so that the applications can be ranked and funded. The next closing date is Feb. 15, 2013.

To participate in EQIP, an applicant must be an individual, entity or joint operation that meets EQIP eligibility criteria. Applicants can sign up at their local NRCS service center.

For more information, contact your [local USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service office](#) or visit the national Web site at [www.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov).  
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- Personals may submit a hard copy of article. Hand written Personals ONLY must be printed legibly.
- Mailed articles must be saved on CD in Adobe Acrobat, Publisher, Word or WordPerfect format.
- Articles can be submitted via e-mail to lgleyva@yahoo.com. Make sure contact info is available for any problems.
- Pictures should be submitted in black & white. (Dark backgrounds do not scan well).
- Digital pictures must be taken with a high resolution for a good quality picture in a .jpg format
- REMEMBER: Pictures represent the quality of the picture submitted.
- Submit all information via email or if mailed to the Tribal Secretary by the deadline.

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\$100/full page    \$75/half page    \$50/quarter page    \$25/eighth page    \$10/business card

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DEADLINES FOR THE YEAR 2013 (Tentative Dates, subject to change): Friday @ 12:00 pm

Jan-Mar—Mar 22nd    Apr-Jun—June 21st    Jul-Sept—Sept 20th    Oct—Dec—Dec 27th

This schedule will allow us to get the newspaper prepared, edited, and printed and ready for bulk mailing the first week of each month. Articles should be emailed directly to lgleyva@yahoo.com. If email is not available, mail to the Tribal Secretary address listed below., must be received by the due date.

Thank you for contributing your articles for our Newspaper this past year. Please continue to contribute to our Newspaper and let the community know about your program activities or upcoming events. Please submit by email, when possible, in Microsoft Word or Publisher format.

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