



# Isleta Pueblo News

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## Message from the Governor

I want to take this opportunity to thank all community members who attended the community meeting on Saturday, August 16, 2014 at the Isleta Resort and Casino. Although the entire agenda wasn't covered, very relevant information on the State/Tribal Summit; Charter School Initiative; BIE School Conversion to POI Operated School; Internship Pilot Program; Assisted Living Facility and Transportation Projects were presented and discussed. I am planning for an end of the year community meeting at which time I will report on the state of our tribal affairs. The date and time of the meeting will be announced in an upcoming edition of the Isleta newsletter.

I also want to extend my appreciation to our traditional leaders and community service workers who participated in the Community Clean Up on Saturday August 16, 2013, in preparation for the Annual St. Augustine Feast planned for August 27-28th, and September 4, 2014. A very special "Thank You" to the Mayordomos and their families for their dedication and hard work in hosting the St. Augustine Feast days.

### Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge

ALBUQUERQUE, NM - Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell joined local elected officials and community partners to celebrate the positive economic impacts and successes of the Land and Water Conservation Fund as it approaches its 50th anniversary on September 3rd. On Friday, August 8th, as part of the celebration, the Secretary joined New Mexico Senators Tom Udall and Martin Heinrich, Representative Michelle Lujan Grisham, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Director Dr. Benjamin Tuggle and Governor Eddie P. Torres to celebrate this important anniversary and make an announcement regarding Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge. At the site of the Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Senators Tom Udall, Martin Heinrich and Representative Michelle Lujan Grisham stood with Interior Secretary Sally Jewell to announce that a diverse group of federal, state, local partners and conservation groups have acquired the lands needed to complete the 570-acre Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge, the Southwest's first urban national wildlife refuge. Governor Torres announced that the Pueblo of Isleta stands in support of the endeavor which will benefit all New Mexicans and visitors to this first southwest urban national wildlife refuge.

### ISLETA PUEBLO, NM

Through the local efforts of our tribal leaders, Governor Eddie Paul Torres; Former Governor Frank Lujan, Father George; Jerry Lujan (Jumano Apache Tribe), and the St. Augustine Kateri Circle members along with a multitude of



*Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell, Representative Michelle Lujan Grisham, New Mexico Senators Tom Udall, Martin Heinrich, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Director Dr. Benjamin Tuggle and Governor Eddie P. Torres*

parishioners gathered in Isleta to accept a sculpture of Sor Maria de Agreda donated to the St. Augustine Church. The sculpture of the Sor Maria de Agreda was created by a world renowned sculpture and artist Sonny Rivera which will now be on permanent display in our St. Augustine Church.

The presentation of the sculpture to the Pueblo of Isleta reinforces the over 400 year old association of the Roman Catholic Church in America with the Native Americans of the southwest, in particular the Jumano Indians and their early 1600 visits to the Pueblo of Isleta where they sought out the Catholic missionaries.

Legend has it that Sor Maria de Agreda contributed to the evangelization of the Jumano Indians in what is today known as Texas. Between 1620 and 1623, she was reportedly "transported by the aid of the angels" to settlements of a people called Jumanos while she physically remained in the convent at Agreda, Spain.

The legend of Sor Maria de Agreda has placed worldwide attention to this small



*Sculpture of Sor Maria de Agreda pictured with Governor Eddie Paul Torres and Artist Sonny Rivera*

continuously occupied Native American community known as Isleta Pueblo with the world-wide followers of Sor Maria de Agreda. With all the recent attention focused on the canonization of Sor Maria, pilgrims from Europe and across the world who have heard her story, continue to travel to southwest United States and specifically to our Isleta Pueblo to embrace the magnificent story of this saint in the making.

### Native American Scholarship Program — July 27, 2013

I am again proud to announce that Miss Lia Abeita-Sanchez, daughter of Ms. Caroline Abeita and Blane Sanchez from the Pueblo of Isleta is a recipient of a New Mexico Gas



*NMGC Scholarship recipient; Miss Lia Abeita-Sanchez and 2nd Lt. Isador Abeita*

Company, Inc. (NMGC) Native American Scholarship. In a NMGC 2014 Awards Ceremony held on August 9, 2014 at the Indian Pueblo Culture Center, Albuquerque, NM, Miss Lia Abeita-Sanchez was awarded her scholarship. Miss Lia Abeita-Sanchez is attending the University of New Mexico and majoring in Political Science.

The New Mexico Gas Company, Inc. (NMGC) Native American Scholarship Program (NASP) is a program that is intended to assist Native American students in pursuit of a post-secondary education that may result in an Master, Bachelor, or Associate's Degree; certification from a trade school or specialized technical training associated with a license or certificate. Congratulations to Miss Lia Abeita-Sanchez, we are very proud of your educational achievements.

#### 2014 POI Summer Intern Program

I am proud to announce the Pueblo of Isleta 2014 Summer Intern Pilot Program was a huge success this initial year as noted during a recent report to the Isleta Tribal Council and the Governor's Community Meeting held at the Isleta Resort & Casino on Saturday, August 16, 2014. The Summer Intern Program was initiated this year to allow student recipients of POI scholarships

to gain valuable documented work experience here at the Pueblo during their summer recess within their fields of study. This work experience will hopefully provide them with the desire to seek employment within any of the numerous offices and businesses now located here on the Pueblo after graduation. This work experience is also vital to college graduates who are seeking employment after graduation but have little or no actual work experience to include in their applications and resumes.

This year's students were placed in positions at the Isleta Health Center (Diabetes and Behavioral Health Departments), the Public Defender's Office, Office of the Treasurer, Isleta Recreation Center, Isleta Business Center, Isleta Resort & Casino, Isleta Housing Authority, Isleta Police Department, Department of Education, Tewa Lending Corporation and our Natural Resources Office. In all, 18 students participated this initial year and we plan on doubling, if not tripling that amount next year. Based on the favorable comments received from this year's participants, as well as their mentors and parents, the Program plans on being very popular with scholarship recipients again next year.

The Isleta Human Resources Office will be

notifying all POI Scholarship recipients of next year's Summer Intern Program which will be expanded to hopefully include intern position with the City of Albuquerque, State of New Mexico, Sandia National Labs, and private companies such as Merrill Lynch. Notification letters will be sent out this November to allow students to work on their resumes and to fill out all necessary pre-employment and background applications. This program is also open to Descendants as well.

Information on the 2015 Summer Intern Program may be directed to Mr. Richard Garcia or Myra Garro, Human Resources Representatives, in the POI Human Resources Office at (505) 869-7585.

#### Message from Governor

**Eddie Paul Torres**

*First and foremost, let us give Thanks to our Creator, Mother Earth for guiding our daily lives to live in peace and harmony with one another and be thankful for blessing us with rain to help all living things flourish. Let us remember our dearly departed brothers and sisters in our prayers and hold in our hearts their fond memories. May the Great Spirit always guide you and look over each one of you.*

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**SECOND NOTICE — A Petition to Probate the Estate of Jose Edward Jojola, deceased March 30, 2010, Case No. CV — PR — 0925 -2013,** has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Courts. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby requested to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. A court hearing for this probate is pending.

Claims must be filed in writing with the Isleta Tribal Court Clerk. If you have any questions, please contact the Tribal Court Clerk at (505) 869 — 9699.

**SECOND NOTICE — A Petition to Probate the Estate of Rey Louis R. Chiwewe, deceased Case No. CV — PR — 0918 -2013,** has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Courts. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby requested to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. A court hearing for this probate has been scheduled for **Wednesday, October 22, 2014.**

Claims must be filed in writing with the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk. If you have any questions, please contact the Tribal Court Clerk at (505) 869 — 9699.

**A Petition to Probate, with Lucy A. Zuni being appointed as administrator, the Estate of Jose Marcelino Zuni, deceased November 21, 2011, Case No. CV — PR - 0074 — 2014,** has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Courts. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby requested to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. A court hearing for this matter has been scheduled for

Claims must be filed in writing with the Isleta Tribal Court Clerk. If you have any questions, please contact the Tribal Court Clerk at (505) 869 — 9699.

**A Petition to Probate the Estate of Juan Phillip Chewiwi, deceased November 13, 2008, Case No. PR — CV — 0072 — 2014,** has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Courts. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby requested to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. A court hearing for this matter has been scheduled for **Wednesday, October 29, 2014.**

Claims must be filed in writing with the Isleta Tribal Court Clerk. If you have any questions, please contact the Isleta Tribal Court Clerk at (505) 869 — 9699.

**A Petition to Probate the Estate of Joe A. Waseta, deceased May 31, 2014, Case No. CV — PR — 0094 -2014,** has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Courts. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby requested to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court clerk within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. A court hearing for this probate has been scheduled for Tuesday, September 23, 2014 at 2:00 PM.

Claims must be filed in writing with the Isleta Tribal Court Clerk. If you have any questions, please contact the Tribal Court Clerk at (505) 869 — 9699.

**Take Notice** that in accordance with Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court requirements, the Petitioner, **Brittanie Lucero**, has applied to the Isleta Tribal Courts for an **Order for Change of Name, for minor child, from Elfonzo Fermin Chavez to Elfonzo Fermin Perea.** Any person claiming an interest in this matter may notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk in writing and/or attend a hearing which has been scheduled for August 28, 2014 at 1:30 PM.

If you have any questions, please contact the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk at (505) 869-9699.

## Tribal Court Taking Requests for Per Capita Withholdings

The Isleta Tribal Court is taking requests for per capita withholdings for the December 9, 2014 distribution. In July 2014, the Tribal Council issued a resolution allowing withholdings of up to 75% of the second per capita distribution in December. The Resolution allows withholdings for outstanding Tribal Court judgments for unpaid housing payments, court fines, child support, civil restitutions, ditch dues, or incarceration bills, as of October 31, 2014.

### Deadline and Procedure

Individuals who have a court judgment for child support or civil restitution must submit their request to the Court by the deadline of **Friday, October 3, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. with no exceptions**. You can pick up the form at the Court or the Court can send it by e-mail upon request. A request will **not** result in an automatic withholding. The Court will schedule hearings to address the requests and to hear from both parties.

The Court will uphold notice requirements, which means that the Petitioner must personally-serve the Respondent with the Notice of Hearing, copy of the Request and any other documentation. Personal service is required because it ensures that the Respondent gets notice of the hearing. With proof of personal service, the Court could enter a default judgment against the Respondent if he/she fails to appear for the hearing. A "default judgment" is a judgment entered against a defendant (respondent) who fails to answer a complaint or fails to appear at the trial (hearing). Without proof of proper service the Court cannot enter a default judgment.

### Orders to Withhold Future Per Capita

If you were involved in a case and the Court issued an order stating that future per capita payments would be withheld, you must contact the Court to ensure that the withholding takes place. You must file a Withholding Request to ensure that your case is not overlooked.

### Fines and Costs Owed to the Court

The Court will send letters to individuals who owe money to the Court for SCRAM, GPS and Soberlink costs and other fines and fees. This letter will inform defendants about the current balance reflected in the Court's records. Defendants must contact the Court if they disagree with the amount. If a defendant does not contact the Court the amount in the Court's records will be deducted from per capita.

**If you have any questions please contact Isleta Tribal Court at (505) 869-9699.**

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

*from Isleta Tribal Court*

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- Hearings will be scheduled regarding the requests

**Call the Isleta Tribal Court for more info at (505) 869-9699**

## PUBLIC RELEASE

### The Isleta Elementary School

(NAME OF INSTITUTION)

today announced its sponsorship of the USDA Food Program. Meals will be available at no separate charge or at a reduced charge to enrolled persons at the participating institution(s) listed below. In accordance with Federal law and the United States Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington DC 20250-9410 or call (202) 720-5964 (Voice and TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

(INSERT LIST OF CENTERS HERE)

Center(s): **Isleta Elementary School**  
Address: **1000 Moonlight Drive  
Albuquerque, NM 87105**

**GUIDELINES FOR FREE AND REDUCED MEALS  
EFFECTIVE FROM JULY 1, 2014 TO JUNE 30, 2015**

Household Size	Free Meals			Reduced Priced Meals		
	Annual	Month	Week	Annual	Month	Week
1	12,7	1,062	245	18,130	1,511	349
2	17,1	1,430	330	24,420	2,035	470
3	21,5	1,799	415	30,710	2,560	591
4	26,0	2,167	500	37,000	3,084	712
5	30,4	2,535	585	43,290	3,608	833
6	34,8	2,904	670	49,580	4,132	954
7	39,2	3,272	755	55,870	4,656	1,075
8	43,6	3,640	840	62,160	5,180	1,196
For each additional Family member add	+ 4,420	+ 369	+ 85	+ 6,290	+ 525	+121

### Isleta Pueblo News



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# CONSTITUTION FOR THE PUEBLO OF ISLETA, NEW MEXICO

## PREAMBLE

We, the Indian people of the Pueblo of Isleta, in order to preserve our customs and traditions, to make the government established by the original constitution approved March 27, 1947, more responsive to our needs and the general welfare, to secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, to provide for our economic and social betterment through cooperative effort, industry, and enterprise, to promote security and provide for law and order, do establish this constitution for the Pueblo of Isleta.

## ARTICLE I - JURISDICTION

This constitution shall apply within the exterior boundaries of the Isleta Pueblo Grant and within the exterior boundaries of such other lands as are now or may in the future be added by purchase, grant, lease, or otherwise acquired for use by the Pueblo of Isleta. No such lands shall ever be alienated from the pueblo by action of any member of the pueblo.

## ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP

The following persons shall be members of the Pueblo of Isleta, provided such persons shall not have renounced, or do not hereafter renounce their membership by joining another tribe or pueblo, or otherwise.

Section 1. Persons of one-half (1/2) or more degree of Isleta Indian blood and Isleta parentage shall be members of the Pueblo of Isleta, provided they have not renounced their right to membership.

Section 2. All persons of one-half (1/2) or more degree of Isleta Indian blood whose names appear on the official census roll maintained by Southern Pueblos Agency, as of January 1, 1970.

Section 3. Any person of one-half (1/2) or more degree of Isleta Indian blood born after January 1, 1970.

Section 4. Any person of one-half (1/2) or more degree of Indian blood who is hereafter naturalized or adopted in conformity with an appropriate ordinance of the council or according to the laws and traditions of the Pueblo of Isleta.

Section 5. No person shall be or become a member of the Pueblo of Isleta who is an enrolled member of any other Indian tribe or pueblo.

Section 6. Non-Indians shall never become members of the Pueblo of Isleta.

Section 7. The council shall have the power to adopt ordinances consistent with this constitution, to govern future membership, loss of membership and the adoption or naturalization of members into the Pueblo of Isleta, and to govern the compilation and maintenance of a tribal roll.

Section 8. No decree of any non-tribal court purporting to determine membership in the pueblo, paternity or degree of Isleta Indian blood shall be recognized for membership purposes. The council shall have original jurisdiction and sole authority to determine eligibility for enrollment for all tribal purposes except where the membership of the individual is dependent upon an issue of paternity, in which case the courts of the pueblo shall have authority and exclusive jurisdiction.

## ARTICLE III - RIGHTS OF MEMBERS

Section 1. The Pueblo of Isleta, in exercising its power of self-government, shall not:

- a) Make or enforce any law prohibiting the free exercise of religion; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press, or denying the rights of members peaceably to assemble and to petition the council of the pueblo for a redress of grievances.
- b) Violate the right of all members to be secure in their persons, homes, papers, and effects against unreasonable search and seizures, nor issue warrants, but upon probable cause,

supported by oath or affirmation, particularly describing the place to be searched and the persons or things to be seized.

c) Subject any person in any criminal case to be twice put in jeopardy.

d) Compel any person in any criminal case to be a witness against himself.

e) Take any private property for public use without just compensation.

f) Deny to any person in a criminal proceeding the right to a speedy and public trial, to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation, to be confronted with the witness against him, to have compulsory process for obtaining witness to his favor, and at his own expense to have the assistance of counsel for his defense.

g) Require excessive bail, impose excessive fines, inflict cruel and unusual punishment and in no event impose for conviction of any one offense any penalty or punishment greater than imprisonment for a term of six months or a fine of \$500.00 or both.

h) Deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of its laws or deprive any person of liberty or property without due process of law.

i) Pass any bill of attainder or ex post facto law.

j) Enact any ordinances discriminating against individuals specifically named.

Section 2. The enumeration in this constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny or limit other rights possessed by the people.

## ARTICLE IV - EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Section 1. The Executive Branch of the Pueblo of Isleta shall consist of the following named executive officers.

- a) Governor
- b) First Lieutenant Governor
- c) Second Lieutenant Governor
- d) Sheriff
- e) Undersheriff

Section 2. The council may establish such other appointive offices and positions as it deems in the best interest of the Pueblo of Isleta.

Section 3. No persons shall be eligible for election or appointment to any executive office of the pueblo unless:

- a) He shall be an enrolled member of the Pueblo of Isleta.
- b) He shall have lived on the lands of the pueblo continuously for not less than five (5) years immediately preceding his candidacy or selection for office.
- c) He shall never have been convicted of a felony.
- d) He shall be at least thirty-five (35) years of age at the time of his election or appointment to the offices of governor and first and second lieutenant governor; and he shall be at least twenty-five (25) years of age at the time of his selection or appointment to the offices of treasurer, sheriff, or undersheriff.

Section 4. The executive officers shall be paid such compensation as the pueblo council may from time to time establish; provided, however, that the compensation for any executive officer shall not be increased or diminished during his term of office.



Section 5. Duties of the Governor: The duties of the governor shall include the following:

- a) To direct and administer the civil affairs of the pueblo in conformity with applicable ordinances, procedures, and policies enacted by the council.
- b) To represent the pueblo in negotiations and relationships with other governmental agencies, individuals, and entities.
- c) To co-sign with the treasurer all checks authorized by the council to be drawn against the accounts of the pueblo.
- d) To attend all meetings of the council.
- e) To supervise and direct all employees of the pueblo government.
- f) To act as contracting and certifying officer with reference to all contracts, agreements, and payment vouchers approved by the council.

Section 6. The first and second lieutenant governors shall function under the direction of the governor and shall assist him in the performance of his duties. They shall attend all meetings of the council.

Section 7. Succession. The first lieutenant governor shall assume the governorship in the event of the absence, incapacity, death, resignation or removal of the governor, and the second lieutenant governor shall succeed to the governorship in the event of the absence, incapacity, death, resignation or removal of the governor and the first lieutenant governor. In event of the absence, incapacity, death, resignation or removal of the governor and the first and second lieutenant governors, the president of the council shall assume the governorship.

Section 8. Sheriff and Undersheriff. The sheriff and under-sheriff shall enforce the laws of the pueblo and perform other duties traditionally associated with their offices. They shall be subject to direction by the governor.

## ARTICLE V - LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Section 1. The Legislative Branch of the Pueblo of Isleta shall consist of a council of twelve (12) members, selected as hereinafter provided.

Section 2. Subject only to limitations imposed by the laws of the United States and the restrictions established by this constitution; the powers of the council shall include the following:

- a) To employ legal counsel, the choice of counsel and fixing of fees to be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, so long as said approval is required by Federal law.
- b) To prevent the sale, disposition, lease or encumbrance of the Pueblo of Isleta lands or interests in lands or other pueblo assets; to execute leases, contracts, and permits, provided that where the leasing, contracts, and permits or encumbering of pueblo land is involved, the approval of the Secretary of the Interior shall be required so long as such approval is required by Federal law.
- c) To negotiate and enter into agreements with the Federal Government, State and local governments and with the duly recognized governing bodies of such other Indian tribes or pueblos, private persons, partnerships, corporations, associations or other private non-profit or profit entities.
- d) To advise the Secretary of the Interior with regard to all appropriation estimates, or Federal projects of interest to or for the benefit of the pueblo prior to the submission of such estimates or projects to the Bureau of the Budget and the Congress.
- e) To enact ordinances, subject to approval by the Secretary of the Interior, to protect the peace, safety, property, health,

and general welfare of the members of the Pueblo of Isleta; to provide for the appointment of guardians for minors and mental incompetents; and to provide for the removal or exclusion from the lands of the pueblo of any nonmember whose presence may be found by the council to be injurious to the peace, safety or welfare of the members of the pueblo.

f) To levy and collect taxes, fees, and assessments on the members of the pueblo and, subject, to approval by the Secretary of the Interior, upon nonmembers of the pueblo living or doing business on the lands of the pueblo.

g) To prescribe and establish necessary rules and regulations for the conduct of pueblo elections in accordance with this constitution.

h) To prescribe compensation for the executive officer, employees, and members of the council.

i) To appropriate such funds as are necessary for the health, safety, and general welfare of the pueblo, for other public purposes and per capita payments to members of the pueblo; provided the amount distributed per capita in any one year shall not exceed one-half of the net income received during the preceding pueblo fiscal year.

j) To appoint or authorize such committees, commissions, boards, pueblo chartered organizations or corporations, officials and employees not otherwise provided for in this constitution.

k) To regulate trade, inheritance of personal property, land assignments, and private dealings in pueblo land among members within the pueblo.

l) To otherwise manage and control the lands and resources of the pueblo for the best interest of the pueblo.

Section 3. The term of office of all members of the council shall be two (2) years, coinciding with the term of governor and other elected officers of the pueblo.

Section 4. Any enrolled member of the pueblo aged twenty-five (25) years or over at the time of this election, and who has lived continuously on the lands of the pueblo for at least five (5) years immediately preceding his election, shall be eligible for membership on the council; provided that residence requirements shall not apply to persons otherwise eligible whose absence resulted from military service or attendance at an institution of learning.

Section 5. The council shall at the first meeting of the council elect amongst themselves a president and vice-president of the council and designate one of its members as council secretary as hereinafter provided, whose duty it shall be to keep the minutes of council meetings, maintain the records, files, and membership roll of the pueblo, and supervise the conduct of all general and special elections of the pueblo.

Section 6. The president of the council, or in his absence or incapacity, the vice-president, shall preside over meetings of the council

Section 7. The president of the council, or in his absence or incapacity, the vice-president, shall call meetings of the council at the request of the governor or at the request of any three (3) members of the council.

Section 8. Eight (8) members of the council shall constitute quorum for the transaction of official business. and all issues shall be decided by majority vote of those members present and voting, except as otherwise provided in this constitution.

## ARTICLE VI - NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Section 1. A general election shall be held on the Saturday following Thanksgiving of each even numbered year for the purpose of electing a governor and council members.

Section 2. Any enrolled member of the Pueblo of Isleta aged twenty-one (21) years or more on the date of election shall be eligible to vote in any general election of the pueblo, provided that he or she has registered to vote in accordance with Article V, Section 2., paragraph g.

Section 3. The council shall designate a polling place at a public location within the pueblo and, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the last consecutive Saturday and Sunday of October shall register eligible voters of the pueblo to vote in the general election. An announcement of the forthcoming dates and place of registration shall be posted in one or more public places at least ten (10) days in advance of the registration.

Section 4. Any eligible member shall register their candidacy for the position of governor or council with the Secretary of the council ten (10) days prior to registration and nominations. No persons shall run for both positions during the same election. Any ballot cast nominating a person who has not declared their candidacy shall be deemed invalid.

Section 5. At the time he or she registers each eligible voter shall cast a secret ballot, nominating an eligible enrolled member of the pueblo as a candidate for governor and one different nomination for council member. The three (3) eligible persons receiving the greatest number of votes shall be certified by the council secretary as the only candidates for the office of governor, and the top twenty four (24) persons receiving the greatest number of votes shall be certified by the council secretary as the only candidates for the twelve (12) positions for council members in the next general election of the pueblo.

Section 6. Not less than ten (10) days preceding the date of each general election of the pueblo, the council secretary shall post, in one or more public places, an announcement of the forthcoming election, including a list of the candidates whose names will appear on the ballot and the location of the polling place designated by the council.

Section 7. Voting shall be by secret ballot, the form of which shall be established by the council.

Section 8. The polling place shall be open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on election day for any general or special election of the pueblo.

Section 9. All elections of the pueblo shall be conducted under the supervision of the council secretary with the assistance of such poll clerks as the secretary may require and the council may provide.

Section 10. Immediately following the closing of the polling place on any election day the council secretary, together with the poll clerks, shall open the ballot box and count the ballots. The council secretary shall thereupon certify the results of the election. At general elections of the pueblo the candidate receiving the greatest number of votes for the position of governor shall be certified as the winning candidate. Of the votes for council members the top twelve (12) person receiving the greatest number of votes will constitute the council.

Section 11. On January 1, following any general election of the pueblo the council at its first meeting shall elect amongst themselves a president and vice-president of the council.

Section 12. The term of all executive officers and council members shall be two (2) years beginning on January 6 following each general election at the pueblo, or immediately upon certification of the winning candidate in any special election held to fill a vacancy.

Section 13. At the first council meeting following each general election of the pueblo, the council shall appoint one of its members as council secretary and shall appoint a qualified member of the pueblo as treasurer. The treasurer of the pueblo shall serve at the pleasure of the council and he may be removed from office by majority vote of the council.

Section 14. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall:

- a) Keep the financial records of the pueblo and make disbursements from pueblo funds in conformity with the annual budget of the pueblo or at the direction of the council.

b) Co-sign with the governor all checks authorized by the council to be drawn against the accounts of the pueblo.

Section 15. The offices of first lieutenant governor, second lieutenant governor, sheriff and undersheriff shall be filled by qualified members of the pueblo appointed by the governor-elect following his election to office and prior to his inauguration

Section 16. Any elected or appointed official of the pueblo or council member may resign his office by tendering his written resignation to the council at any regular or special meeting thereof.

Section 17. Controversies and disputes growing out of any election of the pueblo shall be decided by the incumbent council of the pueblo.

## ARTICLE VII - REMOVAL AND RECALL

Section 1. Any elected or appointed officer of the pueblo and any member of the council who, during the term for which he is elected or appointed, is convicted of a felony, shall thereupon forfeit his office.

Section 2. Any elected or appointed officer of the pueblo, member or officer of the council, found guilty in any court of a misdemeanor involving misconduct reflecting on the dignity and integrity of the tribal government, or found guilty by the council of malfeasance in office, or gross neglect of duty, may be removed or recalled from office in the following manner:

a) The council shall present the accused officer or council member with a written statement of the charges against him and, within ten (10) days thereafter, the council shall hold a hearing at which the accused shall be provided an opportunity to appear and be heard in his own defense.

b) Any appointed officer of the pueblo or council member may be removed from office following such hearing by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the full council.

c) Any elected officer of the pueblo, including the governor, president, and vice-president of the council shall be removed from office following such hearing, by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the full council, the council shall vote to hold a referendum election on the question of such recall, and provided that a majority of the registered voters who cast their ballots in the preceding election vote in favor of recall.

d) The council shall call and hold a special election for the recalls of any elected officer of the pueblo within twenty-five (25) days following receipt of a petition for recall signed by at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the voters registered voting in the last preceding general election of the pueblo. If the majority of those voting in such a recall election cast their ballots in favor of such recall the office shall be declared vacant, provided that not less than fifty percent (50%) of the registered voters of the pueblo vote in the recall election.

## ARTICLE VIII - FILLING VACANCIES AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS

Section 1. In the event of the death, resignation, removal or incapacity of any member of the council, the position may be declared vacant by the council and filled for the remainder of the unexpired term by an eligible member of the pueblo by special election to the position thus vacated.

Section 2. In the event of the death, resignation, removal or incapacity of the president of the council, the office may be declared vacant by the council, and the vice-president shall thereupon assume the presidency. The office of vice-president may be declared vacant by the council and filled at a special election as hereinafter provided.

Section 3. In the event of the death, resignation, removal or incapacity of the vice-president of the council, the office may be declared vacant by the council and it shall be filled at a special election to be called by the council and held within thirty (30) days following the date upon which such vacancy is declared. The person so elected shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Section 4. In the event of death, resignation, removal or incapacity of both the president and the vice-president of the council, the council may declare the offices vacant and they shall be filled at a special election to be called and held by the council within thirty (30) days following the date upon which such vacancies are declared.

Section 5. In the event of a vacancy for any cause in the offices of first lieutenant governor, second lieutenant governor, sheriff or undersheriff, the governor shall select a successor to serve the unexpired term.

Section 6. Special elections to fill vacancies created by the death, resignation, removal or incapacity of any elected officer of the pueblo not filled by succession as herein provided shall be conducted under the supervision of the council secretary:

- a) The eligible voters in such special elections shall be those members of the pueblo who registered to vote in the last preceding general election.
- b) Each such registered voter shall re-register to vote in the special election on a date and at a place to be designated by the council, at least ten (10) days before the special election. At the time such voter re-registers he or she shall by secret ballot, nominate an eligible member of the pueblo as a candidate for the vacant office or offices. Persons receiving the greatest number of votes will fill these positions vacant at the special election.

Section 7. In the event of a tie vote in any general or special election of the pueblo the winner shall be decided by lot before the council.

**ARTICLE IX - THE JUDICIAL BRANCH**

Section 1. The Judicial Branch of the government of the Pueblo of Isleta shall consist of the tribal and appellate courts of the pueblo.

Section 2. The tribal court of the pueblo shall be presided over by one or more judges appointed by the governor with the concurrence of a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the council.

Section 3. The number, salary, qualifications, and term of office of the judge or judges of the tribal court shall be prescribed by ordinance of the council; provided that the salary of any judge shall neither be increased or decreased during the term in office; provided further that no person be a judge who has been convicted of a felony.

Section 4. Any judge of the tribal court may be removed from office in the same manner and for the same reasons as set forth in Article VII, Section 2 (b) with reference to council members and appointed officers of the pueblo.

Section 5. The tribal court shall have jurisdiction over all criminal and civil cases included in the approved Code of Laws of the Pueblo of Isleta, or otherwise lawfully brought before it. In addition, the tribal court shall determine the constitutionality of enactments of the council submitted to the court for review.

Section 6. The council of the Pueblo of Isleta shall constitute the Appellate Court for the Pueblo of Isleta. Appeals shall be granted as a matter of right. The council may delegate its appellate authority to such appeal committee, appellate judge or judges or other appellate body as the council may from time to time establish by ordinance duly enacted by the council. The decisions of the council or delegated appellate body shall be final in all appeal cases.

**ARTICLE X - APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

Section 1. Any ordinance, resolution, or other enactment of the council which, by the terms of this constitution or in conformity with applicable Federal law, is subject to approval by the Secretary of the Interior, shall be presented to the Superintendent of Southern Pueblos Agency within ten (10) days following its enactment. The Superintendent shall, within ten (10) days following receipt of such ordinance or resolution, transmit it to the Secretary of the Interior with his recommendation for or against approval. Such enactment shall become effective when approved by the Secretary of the Interior, provided that if the Secretary of the Interior shall not disapprove an enactment of the council within one hundred and twenty (120) days following the date of its receipt by the

Superintendent, it shall thereupon become effective.

Section 2. All enactments of the council shall show the date of passage and the number of council members voting for and against the enactment, and shall bear the certification of the governor or president of the council and the council secretary. Resolutions and ordinances shall bear an identifying number and a title.

**ARTICLE XI - REPEAL OF PREVIOUS CONSTITUTION AND SAVINGS CLAUSE**

Section 1. The constitution of the Pueblo of Isleta approved March 27, 1947, is hereby repealed and superseded by this constitution.

Section 2. All ordinances and resolutions heretofore enacted by the Pueblo of Isleta Council shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that they are not inconsistent with this constitution.

**ARTICLE XII - RATIFICATION**

This constitution, when adopted by a majority of the voters at a special election authorized by the Secretary of the Interior in which at least thirty (30) percent of the pueblo members entitled to vote cast ballots, shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative, for approval and shall be effective from the date of such approval.

**ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS**

This constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the members of the pueblo twenty-one (21) years of age or over, voting for that purpose in an election authorized by the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative, provided that at least thirty percent (30%) of those entitled to vote shall vote in such election; but no amendment shall become effective until it shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative to authorize an election on any proposed amendment at the request of a majority of the council or upon receipt of a petition signed by at least one-third (1/3) of the voters eligible to vote on said amendment.

**PUEBLO OF ISLETA, NEW MEXICO  
SPECIAL ELECTION  
FEBRUARY 23 , 1970  
CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

Pursuant to an election authorized by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, under delegated authority, on December 29, 1969, the attached Constitution of the Pueblo was submitted for ratification to the qualified voters of the Pueblo of Isleta of New Mexico, and was on February 23, 1970, duly adopted by a vote of 347 for and 29 against, in an election which at least thirty percent (30%) of the 502 members entitled to voted cast their ballots in accordance Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), as amended by the Act of June 15, 1935, (49 Stat. 378),

- Date: 3-4-70 /s/Kenneth L. Payton  
Chairman, Election Board  
Pueblo of Isleta, New Mexico
- Date: 3-4.70 /s/Bart Montoya  
Member, Election Board  
Pueblo of Isleta, New Mexico
- Date: 34-70 /s/Diego Abeita  
Member, Election Board  
Pueblo of Isleta, New Mexico

**PUEBLO OF ISLETA, NEW MEXICO  
SPECIAL ELECTION  
AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION**

**ARTICLE VI - NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS  
OCTOBER 20, 1990**

**CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL**

I, Robert F. Delaware, Deputy to the Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Tribal Services), by virtue of the authority granted to the Secretary of the Interior by the Act of June 18, 1934, (48 Stat. 984) as amended, and delegated to me by 230 D.H. 2.4 do hereby approve Amendment No. 1 to the Constitution of the Pueblo of Isleta, PROVIDED, that nothing contained in this approval shall be construed as authorizing any action under the Constitution that would be contrary to Federal law.

- Date: 11/27/90 /s/Robert F. Delaware  
Deputy to the Assistant Secretary  
Indian Affairs (Tribal Services)

FOR USE IN THE SECRETARIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD September 20, 2014  
**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PUEBLO OF ISLETA**

United States Department of the Interior  
 Bureau of Indian Affairs      Southern Pueblos Agency  
 1001 Indian School Road, NW Albuquerque, NM 87104-2303

**EXHIBIT 1**

**Amendment 1  
 to Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution**

**July 24, 2014 version — Revised BIA Approved**

**ARTICLE III — RIGHTS OF MEMBERS**

The purpose of this amendment is to increase the authority of Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court to sentence defendants up to the maximum allowed by federal law, the Indian Civil Rights Act.

**CURRENT LANGUAGE IN CONSTITUTION:**

Section 1. The Pueblo of Isleta, in exercising its power of self-government, shall not:

- g) Require excessive bail, impose excessive fines, inflict cruel and unusual punishment and in no event impose for conviction of any one offense any penalty or punishment greater than imprisonment for a term of six months or a fine of \$500.00 or both.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE:**

Section 1. The Pueblo of Isleta, in exercising its power of self-government, shall not:

- g) Require excessive bail, impose excessive fines, inflict cruel and unusual punishment and in no event impose for conviction of any one offense any penalty or punishment greater than imprisonment for a term of one year six months or a fine of \$5,000.00 ~~\$500.00~~ or both or, in the case of a defendant who has been previously convicted of the same or a comparable offense by any jurisdiction in the United States or in the case of a defendant being prosecuted for an offense comparable to an offense that would be punishable by more than one year if prosecuted by the United States or any of the States for a term of three years or a fine of \$15,000 or both, as authorized by the Indian Civil Rights Act, 25 U.S.C. & 1301 et seq., as may be amended from time to time.

**EXHIBIT 2**

**Draft Amendment 2  
 to Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution**

**July 24, 2014 version — Revised BIA Approved**

**CHANGE VOTING AGE FROM TWENTY ONE (21)  
 TO EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE**

The purpose of this amendment is to change the voting age for general and special elections of the Pueblo from twenty-one (21) to eighteen (18) years of age and to clarify the voting age of eighteen (18) years of age for elections to amend the Constitution.

**CURRENT LANGUAGE IN CONSTITUTION:****Article VI — NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

Section 2. Any enrolled member of the Pueblo of Isleta aged twenty-one (21) years or more on the date of election shall be eligible to vote in any general election of the pueblo, provided that he or she has registered to vote in accordance with Article V, Section 2., paragraph g.

**Article XIII — AMENDMENTS**

This constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the members of the pueblo twenty-one (21) years of age or over, voting for that purpose in an election authorized by the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative.....

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE:****Article VI — NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

Section 2. Any enrolled member of the Pueblo of Isleta aged eighteen (18) ~~twenty one (21)~~ years or more on the date of election shall be eligible to vote in any general election of the pueblo, provided that he or she has registered to vote in accordance with Article V, Section 2., paragraph g.

**Article XIII — AMENDMENTS**

This constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the members of the pueblo eighteen (18) ~~twenty one (21)~~ years of age or over, voting for that purpose in an election authorized by the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative.....

**EXHIBIT 3**

**Draft Amendment 3  
 to Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution**

**July 24, 2014 version — Revised BIA Approved**

**REMOVE SECRETARIAL APPROVAL**

The purpose of this amendment is to remove Secretarial (BIA) approval when Tribal Council hires legal counsel, enacts ordinances, and assesses taxes on non-Isleta tribal members.

**Article V — LEGISLATIVE BRANCH****CURRENT LANGUAGE IN CONSTITUTION**

Section 2. Subject only to the limitations imposed by the laws of the United States and the restrictions established by this constitution, the powers of the council shall include the following:

- a) To employ legal counsel, the choice of counsel and fixing of fees subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, so long as said approval is required by Federal law.  
 e) To enact ordinances, subject to approval by the Secretary of the Interior, to protect the peace, safety, property, health, and general welfare of the members of the Pueblo of Isleta;  
 f) To levy and collect taxes, fees, and assessments on the members of the pueblo and, subject to approval by the Secretary of the Interior, upon nonmembers of the pueblo living or doing business on the lands of the pueblo.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE:**

Section 2. Subject only to the limitations imposed by the laws of the United States and the restrictions established by this constitution, the powers of the council shall include the following:

- a) To employ legal counsel, ~~the choice of counsel and fixing of fees subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, as long as said approval is required by Federal law.~~  
 e) To enact ordinances, ~~subject to approval by the Secretary of the Interior,~~ to protect the peace, safety, property, health, and general welfare of the members of the Pueblo of Isleta;  
 f) To levy and collect taxes, fees, and assessments on the members of the pueblo and ~~subject to approval by the Secretary of the Interior,~~ upon nonmembers of the pueblo living or doing business on the lands of the pueblo.

**EXHIBIT 4**

**Draft Amendment 4  
 to Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution**

**July 24, 2014 version — Revised BIA Approved**

**CREATE TERM LIMITS  
 FOR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

The purpose of this amendment is to create limits on the number of terms that a Tribal Council member can serve on Tribal Council. There are two options to choose from, or you may choose to keep the current language which contains no term limits.

**Article V — LEGISLATIVE BRANCH****CURRENT LANGUAGE IN CONSTITUTION:**

Section 3. The term of office of all members of the council shall be two (2) years, coinciding with the term of governor and other elected officers of the pueblo.



**PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE:****OPTION 1:**

Section 3. The term of office of all members of the council shall be two (2) years, coinciding with the term of governor and other elected officers of the pueblo. No member of council shall serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms as a member of council. After serving two (2) consecutive terms, such member of council shall be ineligible to serve as a member of council until the council member has been out of office at least one full term.

**OPTION 2:**

Section 3. The term of office of all members of the council shall be two (2) years, coinciding with the term of governor and other elected officers of the pueblo. No member of council shall serve for more than three (3) consecutive terms as a member of council. After serving three (3) consecutive terms, such member of council shall be ineligible to serve as a member of council until the council member has been out of office at least one full term.

**EXHIBIT 5**

**Draft Amendment 5  
to Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution  
July 24, 2014 version — Revised BIA Approved  
CREATE TERM LIMITS FOR THE GOVERNOR**

The purpose of this amendment is to create limits on the number of terms that an individual can serve as Governor. There are two options to choose from, or you may choose to keep the current language which contains no term limits.

**Article IV — EXECUTIVE BRANCH  
NO CURRENT LANGUAGE IN CONSTITUTION**

**PROPOSED, NEW LANGUAGE:****OPTION 1:**

Section 9. The term of office of the governor shall be two (2) years, coinciding with the term of council members and other elected officers of the pueblo. No governor shall serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms as a governor. After serving two (2) consecutive terms, such governor shall be ineligible to serve as governor until he has been out of office at least one full term.

**OPTION 2:**

Section 9. The term of office of the governor shall be two (2) years, coinciding with the term of council members and other elected officers of the pueblo. No governor shall serve for more than three (3) consecutive terms as governor. After serving three (3) consecutive terms, such governor shall be ineligible to serve as governor until he has been out of office at least one full term.

**EXHIBIT 6**

**Draft Amendment 6  
to Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution  
July 24, 2014 version — Approved by Tribal Council  
REDUCE TRIBAL COUNCIL COMPOSITION AND  
QUORUM REQUIREMENT**

The purpose of this amendment is to reduce the composition of Tribal Council. If the composition is reduced, then the quorum requirement will also be reduced by this amendment. There are two options to choose from, or you may choose to keep the current language which contains twelve (12) Council seats. Note that one of these provisions to be amended below (Article VI, Section 5) is also proposed to be amended in Amendment 11, but for a different purpose (to reduce number of candidates for Governor).

**CURRENT LANGUAGE IN CONSTITUTION**

Article V, Section 1. The Legislative Branch of the Pueblo of Isleta shall consist of a council of twelve (12) members, selected as hereinafter provided.

Article V, Section 8. Eight (8) members of the council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of official business, and all issues shall be decided by majority vote of those members present and voting, except as otherwise provided in this constitution.

Article VI, Section 10. Of the votes for council members the top twelve (12) persons receiving the greatest number of votes will constitute the council.

Article VI, Section 5. .... and the top twenty four (24) persons receiving the greatest number of votes shall be certified by the council secretary as the only candidates for the twelve (12) positions for council members in the next general election of the pueblo.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE:****OPTION 1: Reduce to Seven (7) Members**

Article V, Section 1. The Legislative Branch of the Pueblo of Isleta shall consist of a council of seven (7) ~~twelve (12)~~ members, selected as hereinafter provided.

Article V, Section. 8. Five (5) ~~Eight (8)~~ members of the council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of official business, and all issues shall be decided by majority vote of those members present and voting, except as otherwise provided in this constitution.

Article VI, Section 10. Of the votes for council members the top seven (7) ~~twelve (12)~~ persons receiving the greatest number of votes will constitute the council.

Article VI, Section 5. .... and the top fourteen (14) ~~twenty (24)~~ persons receiving the greatest number of votes shall be certified by the council secretary as the only candidates for the seven (7) ~~twelve (12)~~ positions for council members in the next general election of the pueblo."

**OPTION 2: Reduce to Nine (9) Members**

Article V, Section 1. The Legislative Branch of the Pueblo of Isleta shall consist of a council of nine (9) ~~twelve (12)~~ members, selected as hereinafter provided.

Article V, Section. 8. Seven (7) ~~Eight (8)~~ members of the council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of official business, and all issues shall be decided by majority vote of those members present and voting, except as otherwise provided in this constitution.

Article VI, Section 10. Of the votes for council members the top nine (9) ~~twelve (12)~~ persons receiving the greatest number of votes will constitute the council.

Article VI, Section 5. .... and the top eighteen (18) ~~twenty four (24)~~ persons receiving the greatest number of votes shall be certified by the council secretary as the only candidates for the nine (9) ~~twelve (12)~~ positions for council members in the next general election of the pueblo.

**EXHIBIT 7**

**Draft Amendment 7  
to Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution  
July 24, 2014 version — Revised BIA Approved  
SECRETARY OF COUNCIL TO BE ELECTED,  
ARTICLES V AND VI**

The purpose of this amendment is to clarify that the Council Secretary is to be elected through vote by the Tribal Council members, not merely designated or appointed by Tribal Council. Note that this provision (Art. VI, Sec. 13) is also proposed to be amended by Amendment 9 and Amendment 10, but for different purposes (both related to the appointment of Tribal Treasurer).

**CURRENT LANGUAGE IN CONSTITUTION:**

Article V, Section 5. The council shall at the first meeting of the council elect amongst themselves a president and vice-president of the council and designate one of its members as council secretary as hereinafter provided, whose duty it shall be to keep the minutes of council meetings, maintain the records, files, and membership roll of the pueblo, and supervise the conduct of all general and special elections of the pueblo.

Article VI, Section 11. On January 1, following any general election of the pueblo the council at its first meeting shall elect amongst themselves a president and vice-president of the council.

Article VI, Section 13. At the first council meeting following each general election of the pueblo, the council shall appoint one of its members as council secretary ....

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE:**

Article V, Section 5. The council shall at the first meeting of the council elect amongst themselves a president, ~~and~~ vice-president of the council and a designate one of its members as council secretary as hereinafter provided, whose duty it shall be to keep the minutes of council meetings, maintain the records, files, and membership roll of the pueblo, and supervise the conduct of all general and special elections of the pueblo.

Article VI, Section 11. On January 1, following any general election of the pueblo the council at its first meeting shall elect amongst themselves a president and vice-president of the council and a council secretary.

Article VI, Section 13. At the first council meeting following each general election of the pueblo, the council ~~shall appoint one of its members as council secretary...~~

**EXHIBIT 8**

**Draft Amendment 8  
to Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution  
July 24, 2014 version — Revised BIA Approved  
AUTHORIZE EARLY VOTING FOR GENERAL  
AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS**

The purpose of this amendment is to authorize early voting for general and special elections, which the Constitution does not currently authorize. If this amendment passes, Tribal Council will need to create an ordinance prescribing the rules and procedures for early voting before it exercised this new authority.

**CURRENT LANGUAGE IN CONSTITUTION:**

Article VI, Section 7. Voting shall be by secret ballot, the form of which shall be established by the council.

Article VIII, Section 6(b). Each such registered voter shall re-register to vote in the special election on a date and at a place to be designated by the council, at least ten (10) days before the special election. At the time such voter re-registers he or she shall by secret ballot, nominate an eligible member of the pueblo as a candidate for the vacant office or offices. Persons receiving the greatest number of votes will fill these positions vacant at the special election.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE:**

Article VI, Section 7. Voting shall be by secret ballot, the form of which shall be established by the council. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, early voting shall be authorized for elections in conformity with an appropriate ordinance of council and this constitution.

Article VIII, Section 6(b). Each such registered voter shall re-register to vote in the special election on a date and at a place to be designated by the council, at least ten (10) days before the special election. At the time such voter re-registers he or she shall by secret ballot, nominate an eligible member of the pueblo as a candidate for the vacant office or offices. Persons receiving the greatest number of votes will fill these positions vacant at the special election. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, early voting shall be authorized for special elections in conformity with an appropriate ordinance of council and this constitution.

**EXHIBIT 9**

**Draft Amendment 9  
to Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution  
July 24, 2014 version — Revised BIA Approved  
REMOVE "TRIBAL MEMBER" REQUIREMENT  
FOR TRIBAL TREASURER**

The purpose of this amendment is to remove the requirement that the Tribal Treasurer must be a Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Member. Note that this provision (Art. VI, Sec. 13) is also proposed to be amended by both Amendment 9 for a different purpose (related to Tribal Council Secretary) and also by Amendment 10 for a different purpose (to create a thirty-day timeframe for Tribal Council to appoint the Tribal Treasurer).

**CURRENT LANGUAGE IN CONSTITUTION:**

Article VI, Section 13. At the first council meeting following each general election of the pueblo, the council ... shall appoint a qualified member of the pueblo as treasurer.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE:**

Article VI, Section 13. At the first council meeting following each general election of the pueblo, the council ... shall appoint a qualified individual member of the pueblo as treasurer.

**EXHIBIT 10**

**Draft Amendment 10  
to Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution  
July 24, 2014 version — Revised BIA Approved  
ADD A 30-DAY TIMEFRAME TO APPOINT  
TRIBAL TREASURER**

The purpose of this amendment is to create a thirty (30) day timeframe for Tribal Council to appoint a Tribal Treasurer. Note that this provision (Art. VI, Sec. 13) is also proposed to be amended by Amendment 7 for a different purpose (related to Tribal Council Secretary) and also by Amendment 9 for a different purpose (to delete of tribal member requirement).

**CURRENT LANGUAGE IN CONSTITUTION:**

Article VI, Section 13. At the first council meeting following each general election of the pueblo, the council ... shall appoint a .... treasurer.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE:**

Article VI, Section 13. Within thirty (30) days after At the first council meeting following each general election of the pueblo, the council ... shall appoint a .... treasurer.

**EXHIBIT 11**

**Draft Amendment 11  
to Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution  
July 24, 2014 version — Revised BIA Approved  
REDUCE TOP CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR  
FROM THREE TO TWO**

Pursuant to the rules in the Constitution for general elections, during the last weekend in October in an election year, people register to vote and also nominate an individual to run for Governor (Art. VI, Sec. 5). The three (3) nominees with the greatest number of nominations are then certified by Tribal Council Secretary to be candidates for Governor. The purpose of this amendment is to reduce the number of candidates to be certified from three (3) candidates to two (2). Note that this provision (Article VI, Section 5) is also proposed to be amended in Amendment 6, but for a different purpose (to reduce Tribal Council composition).

**CURRENT LANGUAGE IN CONSTITUTION**

Article VI, Section 5. The three (3) eligible persons receiving the greatest number of votes shall be certified by the council secretary as the only candidates for the office of governor, ...

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE:**

Article VI, Section 5. The two (2) ~~three (3)~~ eligible persons receiving the greatest number of votes shall be certified by the council secretary as the only candidates for the office of governor, ...

**EXHIBIT 12**

**Draft Amendment 12  
to Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Constitution  
July 24, 2014 version — Revised BIA Approved  
CLARIFY REMOVAL AND RECALL PROCEDURES FOR  
ELECTED OFFICIALS**

The purpose of this amendment is to amend this Article, which contains procedures for removal and recall of an elected official from office. The current language in this Article does not conform to the significant changes made to the Constitution in 1990 concerning the election of tribal officials. Prior to 1990, the individual with the highest number of votes was elected Governor; the individual with the second highest number of votes was elected Council President; and the individual with the third highest number of votes was elected Council Vice President. Each of these elected officials then appointed individuals to serve

on Tribal Council (Governor appointed four; Council President and Vice President each appointed three). In 1990, the Constitution was amended to require a vote and election of all Tribal Council members, not just the President and Vice President. This Article (Art. VII) should have also been amended in 1990 to reflect these changes but was not proposed to be amended until now.

## CURRENT LANGUAGE IN CONSTITUTION

### ARTICLE VII — REMOVAL AND RECALL

**Section 1.** Any elected or appointed officer of the pueblo and any member of the council who, during the term for which he is elected or appointed, is convicted of a felony, shall thereupon forfeit his office.

**Section 2.** Any elected or appointed officer of the pueblo, member or officer of the council, found guilty in any court of a misdemeanor involving misconduct reflecting on the dignity and integrity of the tribal government, or found guilty by the council of malfeasance in office, or gross neglect of duty, may be removed or recalled from office in the following manner:

(a) The council shall present the accused officer council member with a written statement of the charges against him and, within ten (10) days thereafter, the council shall hold a hearing at which the accused shall be provided an opportunity to appear and be heard in his own defense.

(b) Any appointed officer of the pueblo or council member may be removed from office following such hearing by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the full council.

(c) Any elected officer of the pueblo, including the governor, president, and vice-president of the council, shall be removed from office following such hearing if\*, by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the full council, the council shall vote to hold a referendum election on the question of such recall, and provided that a majority of the registered voters who cast their ballots in the preceding election vote in favor of recall.

(d) The council shall call and hold a special election for the recall of any elected officer of the pueblo within twenty-five (25) days following receipt of a petition for recall signed by at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the voters registered voting in the last preceding general election of the pueblo. If the majority of those voting in such a recall election cast their ballots in favor of such recall the office shall be declared vacant, provided that not less than fifty percent (50%) of the registered voters of the pueblo vote in the recall election.

\* Note: The word "if" was mistakenly omitted from the 1991 published version of the Constitution but exists in the original.

### PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE:

**Section 1.** Any elected or appointed officer of the pueblo who, during the term for which he is elected or appointed, is convicted of a felony, shall thereupon forfeit his office. An elected officer includes the Governor and members of council. An appointed officer includes the Tribal Court judges.

**Section 2.** Any elected or appointed officer of the pueblo who, during the term for which he is elected or appointed, is found guilty in any court of a misdemeanor involving misconduct reflecting on the dignity and integrity of the tribal government, or found guilty by the council of malfeasance in office, or gross neglect of duty, shall be removed or recalled from office in the following manner: The council shall present the accused elected or appointed officer with a written statement of the charges against him and, within ten (10) days thereafter, the council shall hold a hearing at which the accused shall be provided an opportunity to appear and be heard in his own defense.

a) Removal and Recall of an Elected Officer. Any elected officer of the pueblo shall be removed from office following such hearing, by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the entire council. In the event a member of council is the accused, such council member shall not take part in the vote. The council shall then vote whether to hold a referendum election to recall the elected officer by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the entire council. In the event a member of council is the accused, such council member shall not take part in the vote. Such elected officer shall then be recalled, provided that not less than fifty percent (50%) of the registered voters of the pueblo vote in the

recall election and provided that the majority of those voting cast their ballots in favor of such recall. In the event that the majority of the voters do not vote in favor of the recall, the removal shall be overturned and the accused shall resume office. In the event that less than fifty percent (50%) of the registered voters of the pueblo do not vote in the recall election, the elected officer shall resume office. Council shall not declare an elected officer's seat vacant until a referendum election for recall has been held and the elected officer has been recalled pursuant to the recall election.

b) Removal of an Appointed Officer. Any appointed officer of the pueblo shall be removed from office following such hearing by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the entire council. The decision by council shall be final and not subject to a recall election.

**Section 3.** Recall of an Elected Officer by Petition of the people. Notwithstanding Section 2, an elected officer of the pueblo may be recalled by petition of the people without being removed by council. The council shall call and hold a special election for the recall of any elected officer of the pueblo within twenty-five (25) days following receipt of a petition for recall based on malfeasance or gross neglect of duty in office that is signed by at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the voters registered voting in the last preceding general election of the pueblo. Such petition shall conform to procedures enacted by council. If the majority of those voting in such a recall election cast their ballots in favor of such recall the office shall be declared vacant, provided that not less than fifty percent (50%) of the registered voters of the pueblo vote in the recall election.

**OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
PUEBLO OF ISLETA  
SECRETARIAL ELECTION  
SEPTEMBER 20, 2014

TO VOTE: Complete the arrow ← pointing to your choice like this: ←

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**  
Do you agree with the Proposed Amended Language?  
YES ←  
NO ←

**AMENDMENT NO. 2**  
Do you agree with the Proposed Amended Language?  
YES ←  
NO ←

**AMENDMENT NO. 3**  
Do you agree with the Proposed Amended Language?  
YES ←  
NO ←

**AMENDMENT NO. 4**  
Which option do you prefer for the Proposed Amended Language?  
OPTION 1 ←  
OPTION 2 ←  
NO CHANGE ←

**AMENDMENT NO. 5**  
Which option do you prefer for the Proposed Amended Language?  
OPTION 1 ←  
OPTION 2 ←  
NO CHANGE ←

**AMENDMENT NO. 6**  
Which option do you prefer for the Proposed Amended Language?  
OPTION 1 ←  
OPTION 2 ←  
NO CHANGE ←

**AMENDMENT NO. 7**  
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YES ←  
NO ←

**AMENDMENT NO. 8**  
Do you agree with the Proposed Amended Language?  
YES ←  
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**AMENDMENT NO. 9**  
Do you agree with the Proposed Amended Language?  
YES ←  
NO ←

**AMENDMENT NO. 10**  
Do you agree with the Proposed Amended Language?  
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**AMENDMENT NO. 11**  
Do you agree with the Proposed Amended Language?  
YES ←  
NO ←

**AMENDMENT NO. 12**  
Do you agree with the Proposed Amended Language?  
YES ←  
NO ←

Official Ballot  
Secretary Election Board Chairman



## Pueblo of Isleta Public Library

To all you "Feast Beast" of the Little Island, Happy Feast Time and a quick reminder, do not forget to save a dollar or two for the Dancers. As for all you Dancers, do not forget your dollar for when you visit the Saint because it is a bit awkward when you forget your dollar and you got the watchful eye on you.

Now, onto another serious topic of Dove season and careless hunters shooting toward residential areas such as Ranchitos from the riverbanks. The last three consecutive years, shotgun BBs have rained down on my family and I while outside during the evening. Last year, we had stray bullets zooming over our heads while we are doing yard work. Moms, Aunts, Grandmothers, please remind your hunters to be more careful and do not be under the influence of alcohol or drugs while hunting. Hopefully, someone from the Isleta Police Department and Range Patrol are reading this, you have an advance notice of this on going issue that puts community members in danger of these stray bullets.

### NEWS

Isleta Pueblo Feast Days will fall on Thursdays, August 28 and September 4. Therefore we will be closed both those days. Please be aware of when your library material is due so you do not acquire late fees for you or your children. Remember you may call the Library to renew library material or if you set up a password for your library account online, you can also renew library material on there. Please make prior accommodations for children that attend our Homework Help Program.

Monday September 1st the Library will be closed due to the Labor Day holiday. Enjoy your three-day weekend and be safe!

The Library will have a booth set up at the Isleta Head Start Orientation Monday September 8th. We will be giving out information about our upcoming programs as well as giving out some awesome library gear. Stop by our booth and say hi.

This year's Annual Red Ribbon Run will be taking place in Isleta September 3rd. The Library will be collaborating with Behavioral Health and giving out gift bags at a roadblock for the runners and spectators. We will have information on the books we carry on everything related to Behavioral Health. Support this event and get your running shoes ready. For more information you can contact the Isleta Behavioral Health program at 505-869-5475.

### Upcoming

Book club?? For the month of September the Library will be having an Adult book club dedicated to the Award Winning book "Wicked" the Untold Stories of the Witches of Oz. This program will officially start Wednesday August 27th and continue every Wednesday from 5:15pm-6:00pm until September 24th. As an incentive, participants that attend 4 of the 6 book discussions will attend dinner and a showing of Wicked the musical at Popejoy Hall October 3, 2014 at 8:00pm. This program

is open to first 10 participants, 18 and over. Registration is required! Please call Diane at the Library for more information at 505-869-9808 or email us at poi02006@isletapueblo.com

Our Homework Help Program is in full effect and is keeping the Library staff on our toes. As our first incentive field trip students ages 3-18 of any school can earn points by completing homework and/or reading for 30 minutes and earn their way to a Lobo Football game. The Lobos will be playing against San Diego State University on October 10th at 7:30. The first 10 students to earn 35 points will enjoy this game complimentary of the Library for all of their hard work! If you have questions about this incentive program please call Valeri at the Library at 505-869-9808 or you may also email poi02009@isletapueblo.com.

Do you believe in ghosts? Join the Library in our Ghost Tour through Old Town Albuquerque October 17th at 10pm. Open to the first 15 adults, 18 and over. To earn your way on this fun ghost tour, come check out a Ghost Book from our Library collection, Read 4 ghost stories from the book, and write 4 short synopsis (forms available at the library). Dinner provided and transportation. Last year we took approximately 12 adults on this Ghost Tour during a full moon and they all had a fun experience even though it was pretty cold that night. If you have any questions please call Tara at the Library at 869-9806 or email poi02005@isletapueblo.com.

Halloween is just around the corner and we all know what that means. Right? Halloween Costumes! Save your money by attending and participating in the Library's Halloween Costume Making Class every Tuesday and Thursday starting September 16th through October 16th. This program is open to 10 adults, 18 and over. Learn the basics of sewing, pattern making and of course, creating Halloween masks and much more. With the Library staff, each other's and the help from our library books you will create a one of a kind costume. All supplies including sewing machines and fabric will be provided. The Library will be taking participants to purchase fabric and supplies from Hancock Fabrics and Savers Thursday, September 18th. You may sign up starting Tuesday, September 2nd. For more information you may call to speak with Dianna or Tara at the Library at 505-869-9808 or email poi02005@isletapueblo.com.

### Recap

Kutz for Kidz was a huge success and gave fresh haircuts to all the children in Isleta. Thank you to the Isleta Casino for hosting a great event for our community. The

Library's booth included a golf putting game and as prizes we gave away Cd's, Dvd's and Blu-Rays. We also signed up new Library patrons and gave them their new library card. Thank you for everyone who visited our booth and got a sneak peek of our new Darth Vader and Hulk cut outs that were posted in front of our booth.

The Library visited the Isleta Elementary on August 21st and set up a booth at their open house. We handed out information on our Homework Help Program and our upcoming programs. We would like to thank Isleta Elementary School for giving us a booth and giving us the opportunity to promote our programs for the children and parents.

We are excited to be collaborating with the Isleta Diabetes Program in the upcoming months with programs that will benefit the community and bring awareness to our health. Please stay tuned, as we will bring you more information as programs develop.

The Isleta Elder Center came to visit the Library for an hour as one of their monthly trips. We were excited to have them here as we showed them our southwest collection of books and movies. They also shared with us what their interests were in hopes of expanding our library collection. We hope they come visit us every month to relax and enjoy what our Library has to offer them. Thank you Isleta Elder Center for visiting us!

### Pueblo of Isleta Public Library Hours of Operation:

#### Library Hours

Mon-Thurs - 8:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.  
Friday - 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Saturday - 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Closed on Sundays, all federally recognized holidays and also Isleta traditional Holidays.

Please contact library for more information on closures.

#### Mailing and Physical Address:

950 Moonlight Drive  
Albuquerque, NM 87105

**Phone:** (505)-869-9808

**Fax:** 505-869-8119

**Email:** poi02002@isletapueblo.com

#### Facebook Page:

www.facebook.com/IsletaPuebloLibrary

#### Web Address:

www.isletapueblo.com/library2.html

#### YouTube:

www.youtube.com/user/poilibrary



### Need Help in Securing a Job?

Attend the Collaborative Employee Training

#### Learn How To:

- Network
- Interview
- Be positive, persistent and proactive
- Choose what to wear (Professional attire)
- Job search

#### Isleta Resort and Casino

Rio Grande Room

October 8, 2014  
9:00 - 1:00pm

Hosted by:  
Pueblo of Isleta,  
Department of Education

#### Free Event

Lunch will be provided.  
Please contact Isleta  
Department of Education  
505.869.9790  
Please RSVP by October 1, 2014



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## Be an Election Worker for the 2014 General Election

The Bernalillo County Clerk's office is recruiting Poll Officials (election workers) to work Early Voting and on Election Day. You must be a registered voter in Bernalillo County.

Early Voting starts Oct. 18 to Nov. 1st and shifts are 7:30 to 8 p.m. every other day, except Sunday. Election Day is Tuesday, November 4. These are paid positions. All Poll Officials must attend mandatory training and are paid for training. Payment is made 30 days after the election. Those assigned to Isleta work Tuesday thru Saturday, 8 am to 5 pm during Early Voting and 7 am to 7 pm Election Day. If you are fluent in Tiwa, we encourage you to apply for the site located in Isleta. In addition, we encourage those in the community to apply to be a Poll Official to work throughout the County. Please visit: [www.bernco.gov/clerk-poll-worker](http://www.bernco.gov/clerk-poll-worker) to learn more about who can apply, see payment information, and to apply online. In addition, students 16 to 17 years of age are also eligible to work. Learn more about the student program online at the site above. For more information, visit the Clerk's Web site or call (505) 468-1291, option 4.

## ISLETA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS!

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

On behalf of the Isleta Elementary School staff, I would like to welcome the children and families to Isleta Elementary School. School Year 2014-2015 promises to be an exciting year for everyone. We are looking forward to working with students and their parents. The teachers are ready to teach and the students are ready to tackle the rigorous curriculum of Isleta Elementary School.

As in the past, communication will come in the form of our school calendar, phone blasts, Isleta Newsletter, and flyers. Please check your child's agenda/backpack daily, so that you may be aware of upcoming events, changes, or requested items.

Information regarding our 21st Century after school program will be provided as soon as dates have been confirmed. If you have any questions, please come by the school or give us a call at 869-2321.

Respectfully,

Victoria Johnson, Acting Principal  
Isleta Elementary

## LOS LUNAS TITLE VII NEWS

**Amy Mendez...English Teacher,** Los Lunas High School  
Amy Mendez is a teacher at Los Lunas High School who teaches English II and English II Pre-AP. She graduated from University of New Mexico with a Bachelor's Degree in Secondary Education.

Ms. Mendez began teaching for Albuquerque Public Schools as a 7th grade Language Arts teacher. As a resident of Los Lunas, she is happy to begin her school year with Los Lunas High School.

Ms. Mendez is currently starting this semester on a master's degree from the University of New Mexico in Language and Socio – Cultural studies. She is a member of the AVID site team and believes strongly in creating a culture of college readiness for all her students.

Ms. Mendez comes from a family of teachers. They have been positive role models for her throughout her career. Her grandmother was an excellent math teacher. Her mother is a middle school language arts teacher, and her sister also teaches English at Los Lunas High School. Several members of her extended family are also educators.

Ms. Mendez is happily married to Freddie Mendez. The couple just celebrated their one year anniversary this past July.

**Counselor Assignments for 2014 – 2015**

A – G	Ms. Saiz	Ext 6007
H – N	Ms. Flores	Ext. 6016
O – Z	Ms. Macaferri – Rodrigues	Ext. 6006
Registrar	Ms. Cindy	Ext. 6008
Secretary	Ms. Sandi	Ext. 6144

LOCATED IN ROOM 921

**Secondary Report Card Grading Periods 2014 – 2015**

GRADING PERIOD	PROGRESS REPORT	END OF GRADING PERIOD	TEACHER DEADLINE	REPORT CARDS ISSUED
G-1	9/3/14	9/3/14	9/24/14	9/30/14
G-2	10/15/14	11/4/14	11/5/14	11/12/14
G-3	12/19/14	12/19/14	1/5/15	1/12/15
G-4	1/27/15	2/18/15	2/19/15	2/25/15
G-5	3/11/15	4/09/15	4/10/15	4/16/15
G-6	4/30/15	5/21/15	5/21/15	5/28/15

For any further information call Ben Analla, Title VII Indian Education. Monday, Wednesday & Friday at Los Lunas High School @ 865 – 4646, or Tuesday & Thursday at Valencia High School @ 565 – 8755.

## Johnson-O'Malley Program

First off, a big hello from the J.O.M Program! It has been a busy summer and start of the school year here. We hope that this article finds everyone healthy and adjusting to the new school year. I'd like to take a moment to share with you a recap of our latest events before letting you know what is in store for the new school year.

### SUMMER PROGRAM

The J.O.M Summer Bridge Program came to an end on July 25th and had a total of 24 students enrolled. More than half of the students completed their Summer Bridge Workbooks and one student worked very hard and finished TWO workbooks! We were very proud to see students learning and participating in all of the lessons and activities. It was both a joy and a privilege to get to know the students, and for that, I thank you parents for enrolling them.



and your students. This month (September) please look for me at your schools' Open Houses. I plan to attend almost all of them! If you are reading this, and your student attends public school in Los Lunas or APS (Isleta students only), and you have not yet received school supplies from our program... please give me a call at 869-9785 and I will be happy to schedule an appointment with you to come in and have a meeting with me. Our goal is to reach as many of our eligible students as we can, so don't be shy!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

The J.O.M Newsletter will resume this month and include all the details for any upcoming events that are scheduled. Right now, my hope is to have the first experiential learning opportunity (field trip) of the new school year this month. I ask for your patience as I am still working out the details. The first official meeting of the school year also took place on August 26th, and a new I.E.C. member was elected. Again, please check with the J.O.M Newsletter for more information on your newest representative. A new Academic Coach will be joining us soon and when she does, I will be sure to send out an introduction as well as an updated tutoring schedule and sign up information. If tutoring is something you are interested in for your student, keep an eye out for the announcement OR feel free to give me a call and I'll put you on a list to be contacted personally. I'm very excited for her arrival!

As always, please let us know how we can assist your student to meet their educational goals. If you have any questions, suggestions, or comments regarding your J.O.M Program or any of the services provided, DO NOT HESITATE to call, e-mail, or stop by. I hope to see many of you at the schools Open Houses, don't forget to say hi! Take care and have a great school year!

Bernadette Correa  
Supervisory Academic Counselor

### SCHOOL SUPPLY DISTRIBUTION

The week of August 4th to the 9th the J.O.M Program gave out school supplies to more than 450 eligible students! Students who are attending public school in Los Lunas School District also received backpacks courtesy of Los Lunas Indian Education Program, so a BIG thank you to Valerie Otero at Los Lunas Schools. Also, I'd like to thank all of the parents and guardians who came and attended the mandatory meetings. I understand that you are all busy and that attending a meeting can sometimes be an inconvenience, but, my hope is that after attending you understand why it is so important to the program. We literally cannot do this without you. It was very good to see familiar faces and to meet new people! I am looking forward to seeing more of all of you and working with both you





**2014 Southwest Regional Veteran's Conference**

# SAVE THE DATE



Empowering Native American Veterans to  
Speak with One Voice to Shape Policy:  
Veterans Rising for Healing

**September 22-24, 2014**  
**Isleta Resort & Casino**  
**Pueblo of Isleta**

For more information, contact:

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**SOUTHWEST NATIVE AMERICAN  
VETERANS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

Provided in partnership between  
Southwest Native American Veterans Association &  
the Pueblo of Isleta Veteran's Association

*The next Pueblo of Isleta Veterans' Association Meeting will be on Wednesday, 17 September 2014 at (1800) Hours at the Recreation Center.*

## Department of Veterans Affairs Tribal Consultation

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is holding a tribal consultation on Monday, September 8, 2014, at 1-2:30 p.m., in the Fiesta Room at the Hyatt Regency Albuquerque Hotel in Albuquerque, NM.

The consultation topic is the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between VA and the Indian Health Service, and how the MOU has affected care for Veterans.

Representatives of the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) Office of Rural Health, VHA Chief Business Office, and Office of Public and Intergovernmental Affairs/Office of Tribal Government Relations will be present to receive input.

Tribal leaders, Veteran service providers, stakeholders from Area Indian health boards, and tribal organizations are invited to attend and observe the tribal consultation.

Please download the consultation flier to share this information with your organization and stakeholders.

Supporting documents for the consultation are available for download in the sidebar of this email.

**Email:** [tribalgovernmentconsultationva.gov](mailto:tribalgovernmentconsultationva.gov)

**Phone:** 202-461-7400

**Mail:** U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (075F), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Suite 915G Washington, DC 20420




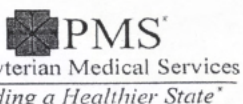


## 2014 NEW MEXICO VETERANS PTSD WELLNESS CONFERENCE

**Saturday, September 13 in Albuquerque**  
**Crowne Plaza Hotel**  
**1901 University Blvd. NE**  
**8am-5pm (Registration/Doors Open @ 7am)**

**A FREE Conference Focusing on the Re-Integration of the Military Veteran...  
From the Battlefield...to Family Life and the Private Sector**

- Learn About VA and Private-Sector Services Available for Veterans With Post-Combat Behavioral Traumas
- Learn How to Recognize and Monitor Combat Trauma-Related "Stressors"—Which Left Unrecognized Could Lead to PTSD
  - **Brothers at War Resiliency Workshop**—Documentary Movie and Interactive Workshop Focusing on the Effects and Solutions for a Successful Re-Integration From the Battlefield
- **FREE \$40 Walmart Gift Card for the First 50 Pre-Registered Veterans (proof of Veteran Status Must Be Provided)**
- **FREE Hot/Plated Lunch**

Pre-Registration is **Strongly Recommended** by calling (505) 841-5346 or by Email at [theresa.zuni@state.nm.us](mailto:theresa.zuni@state.nm.us)

**Date:**  
**September 8, 2014**

**Time:**  
**1:00 - 2:30 p.m.**

**Location:**  
**Hyatt Regency Albuquerque Hotel**

**+ Add to calendar**

**Download  
Consultation Flier**

**Download Dear  
Tribal Leader Letter**

**Download Questions for  
Consultation**

**Download  
Information Briefing**

**Download Federal  
Register Notice**



## The Disappearing Rio Grande Expedition...

... from the source in southern Colorado to the Gulf of Mexico.

On Tuesday morning, August 19, 2014, at about 8:00 AM, the Pueblo of Isleta Cultural Committee members, headed by Director Valentino Jaramillo, along with War Chief Paul Jiron and other tribal members waited on the east bank of the Rio Grande River, by the Diversion Dam, for three people floating down river on canoes...on their way to the Gulf of Mexico. That's right, the Gulf of Mexico. What some people will do for fun. It's only another, maybe 1600 miles plus from Isleta.

News reporter (The Texas Tribune) Colin McDonald, and photojournalist Erich Schlegel will be traveling the entire length of the River, which begins in the Rocky Mountains of southern Colorado .... Only 1900 miles from there to the Gulf. During their canoe ride they will be "interviewing those who depend on and control the River, taking photos and videos, and cataloging the chemistry and biology of the River." An almost complete story about the River.

Another sometime-member of the group, who was here on Tuesday, and on Wednesday drove home to Austin, Texas was Jonas Jones ... US Marine, now — civilian adventurer, canoe racer ... and he never said what else he was or is... He spent time in Afghanistan and "canoeed up and

down the Amazon River". The Amazon in South America... so what's a little floating down the Rio Grande? ... probably for Jonas ... boring... He will be, again, joining the group somewhere in Texas sometime in September. Did you know that breakfast in the Amazon consists of eggs and piranha? ... and the Natives eat parakeets?

Estimated time of arrival in the El Paso area is near the end of September, 2014. From there for maybe 500 miles, water is scarce and the plan is, but what else ... "walk" till you find water.

War Captain Paul Jiron, who had never paddled in his life, floated down the River in one of the canoes to the Los Charcos area from the Diversion Dam...and without a lifejacket. Now we know why he's War Chief. Having spent time in and along the River "Paul knows every foot of the Rio Grande as it flows across the Pueblo's land." He became a valuable guide as he pointed out the different types of vegetation and "he knew near which bank to paddle along to find the deepest water." From Los Charcos, Colin would be on his own, all the way to Belen, where Erich would join him...and from that point...maybe 20 — 25 miles less to the Gulf... 1,575 only more miles... By the way, estimated time of arrival is January 25, 2015. A lot of people will be a year older by then.

It's a great expedition, which in the end, we can all read about in the book which Colin will write, and look at pictures that Erich will take ... and Jason ... maybe he will be somewhere "having breakfast".

While in Isleta, they met and talked to a lot of people, including the Cultural Committee elders, of course War Chief Paul Jiron, and Daryl Lucero, who gave them a tour of his adobe making project southeast of the diversion dam. Check the web site for their story...and pictures. The below pictures are right off the web site.

...and we bid them bon voyage ... that's what Europeans say when going off to sea ... or maybe river?

You can check-in with Colin and Erich, by simply logging onto <http://riogrande.texastribune.org>. "Colin will be periodically activating a device that uses satellite technology to share his current location." Each day you can see where Colin and Erich may be on the Rio Grande. On Thursday morning, I called Colin on his cell and he was on the River at Beeland ... no it's Belen ... he's from Texas. Erich walked into town for food. No piranhas or parakeets in the Rio Grande.



*Isleta War Chief Paul Jiron, right, and Colin McDonald paddle their canoe.  
Photo by: Erich Schlegel*



*Erich Schlegel, in front, and Ulysses Abeita haul Erich's canoe out of the brush along the Rio Grande.  
Photo by: Jason Jones*



*Colin wades the Rio Grande in ankle deep water. He should stand up straight, but he is very tired. Photo by: Erich Schlegel*



*Isaiah Abeita, who is eight years old, takes his first paddle in a canoe.  
Photo by: Erich Schlegel*



*Colin McDonald tows his canoe down the Rio Grande just upstream of Belen, New Mexico. Photo by: Erich Schlegel*



*Isleta War Chief Paul Jiron and Colin McDonald talk to a farmer before launching on the Rio Grande.  
Photo by: Erich Schlegel*



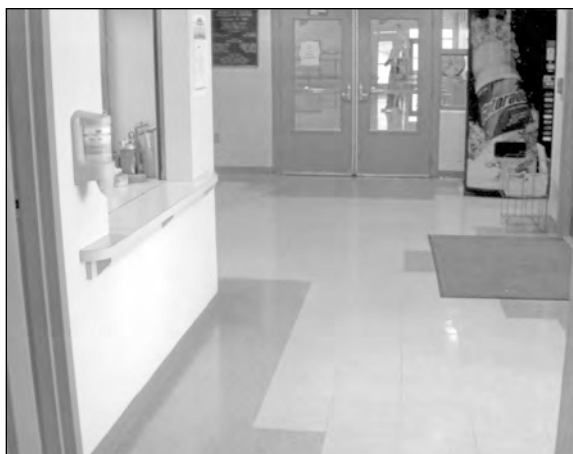
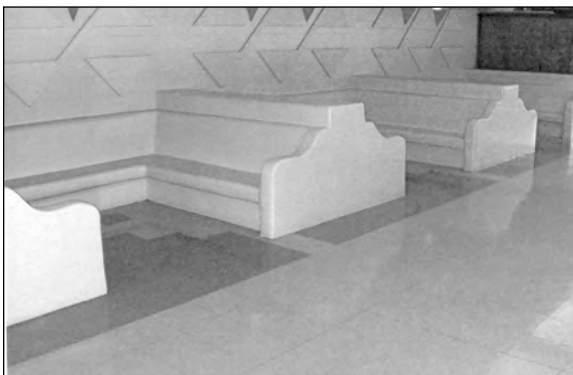
*Isleta War Chief Paul Jiron, left, and Colin McDonald launch their canoe.  
Photo by: Erich Schlegel*



## Parks & Recreation

As August comes to an end we now are focusing our attention on the after-school program. Because our summer program closed on August 1st and immediately thereafter we had per capita distribution in the gymnasium we finally closed down from August 6th through August 15th to give the New Rec. facility a much needed deep cleaning. Work included sanding and varnishing the gym floor, stripping and waxing the tile floors throughout the facility, emptying the swimming pool tank and doing some electrical repairs on our lighting and doing some minor painting. Children and parents, if you are interested in our After-school program either at the Old Rec. Center under the direction of Kimberly Chiwewe and Constance Olguin or at the New Rec. Center under the direction of Antonio Garcia, Derrick Jiron, and John Jojola please get them registered as soon as possible. Although most of our children were registered for the summer program we do want up-dated information for the Fall, Winter and Spring program. New Rec. Center will have the 3 Nanas doing the Arts/ Crafts program as well. The real big difference

with both programs is the children who participate at Old Rec. at Pickle Heights get picked up at our Elementary School and also taken home at the conclusion of the program. With the New Rec. Program we pick them up at our Elementary School and parents must pick them up prior to 6:00 pm. Lots of activities especially field trips may be held together when possible. Both programs will help children with homework prior to engaging in fun activities. Also at New Rec. those interested in the Cross-Country Running program can contact Phillip Abeita at 869-9777. Cross Country Meets will be against the other SPA Elementary Schools in our region. Practice takes place everyday about 6:00 pm. Pictured right are of the building and the cleanliness of the facility after the closure of the facility after the busy summer program. Head Maintenance Technician, Mike Sarracino and several recreation leaders did an outstanding job of cleaning up the facility.



### Park Management

Because it is now starting to get dark earlier and days are now beginning to cool, our park management staff have recently gone back to the fall, winter and spring schedule which is coming in at 6:00 am until 2:30 pm as opposed to the summer schedule of 5:00 am to 1:30 pm. Many folks who are out early running/walking at our parks or on the jogging path have expressed feeling safe knowing the crew is out cleaning and mowing the parks but as darkness gets longer and days get cooler we go back to the 6:00 am start-up time. Special Note: Once again, I as your Director, express my sincere gratitude to all my park and recreation employees for doing an outstanding job this past summer in providing programs and services at both New Rec. and Old Rec. at Pickle Heights to our children and families and for providing our beautiful parks which have been maintained at the highest level imaginable. This past summer, we served the most children ever in my 14 years as your Director.

Believe me, it was not easy, and at times we did have some issues that we dealt with, but regardless the staff came through like true professionals. I honestly believe that we have a program that is second to none in this whole State of New Mexico. Parents who have read about or visit our programs, especially during the summer, would do anything to be part of this facility and the programs we offer. Our parents and children are very lucky that we have an Administration and Tribal Council who have continually supported our children's activities. Pictured is one of our last summer activities with children and some staff standing in front of the giant obstacle course which was set up in the gym for the children to enjoy.



### Halloween Extravaganza

Although by the time everyone receives this newsletter, we will barely be peeking into the month of September, we however will be in preparation mode for the Halloween Extravaganza that will be taking place on Friday, October 24th. Many folks have asked why not have the party on Halloween Night? which is Friday, October 31st. Our employees and many volunteers have expressed the need to be home on that night to pass out goodies to our children who probably wouldn't come on the 31st because of their own trick or treating which is a tradition for many. When we host the party, we want children and parents spending the evening with us and not just dropping in for a few minutes. An organizational meeting will take place in early to mid September.

### Cross Country Program

As I mentioned in my opening paragraph, the Cross Country program is in full swing. At present Coach Phillip Abeita reports that he has about 40 children participating in the program as of right now. Practices are held everyday Monday through Thursday, held either at the New Rec. Center or at Big Momma Hill. For those children who will be participating in our other sports programs in a few months, this is an excellent way to fight diabetes and obesity and stay in shape for the next sport, which is basketball.



## Isleta Health Center

Behavioral Health Services Prevention Program

Phone: 869-5475

The past 6 months have been dedicated to the organization, planning and implementation of IBHS Prevention Program's Youth Summit, and on August 16th and 17th, the youth summit was held at the Isleta Recreation Center. The Summit consisted of over 40 Youth Participants from San Felipe, Ohkay Owingeh, and Isleta Pueblo. There were workshops based on prevention topics such as Mental Health Awareness, Diabetes Prevention, Cyber Bullying/Teen Dating Violence, Firearm Safety, and so on.

Saturday morning started off with the youth arriving at the recreation center for morning breakfast. This was followed with a blessing by Lt. Governor Chewiwi, who offered the youth words of advice and encouragement to keep striving for their goals. The morning consisted of workshops and activities, with lunch provided by POI Administration, Governor's Office and Department contributions. Moving into the afternoon, the second half of the day was dedicated to workshop/activities, mural art project, and the setting up of tents. Moving into early evening, the Youth Summit featured a Community Potluck, which had a variety of great tasting foods. Following the community potluck was a dance, hosted by the Prevention Program Young Leaders Youth Krew. At the dance, dances were taught by each of the youth groups present. Our very own youth group taught the 2-Step as well as the swing dance. Ohkay Owingeh taught Copperhead Road Line Dance and San Felipe Youth taught a version of the "Corn Dance." Another component that was a part of the dance was a photo booth in which props were available, including a shark, a car, panda, alien and much more. The summit also featured a camping sleepover, but due to the lightning storm and downpours, the camping had to be moved into the recreation center's game room and aerobics rooms.

A special thank you to everyone who made this event a success through planning, volunteering, and donations:

Isleta Behavioral Health Services,  
Prevention Program: Santana Titla,  
Jennifer Sandoval & Kory Kie

Prevention Program, Young Leaders Youth  
Krew Parents: Antoinette Jaramillo &  
Family, Jennifer Zuni & Family, Laura  
Edaakie & Family, Lorraine Jaramillo &  
Family.

Tribal Administration, Governor's Office &  
Staff

POI Tribal Council

Isleta Recreation Staff

Isleta Resort and Casino

Isleta Police Department, Traffic Unit

Isleta Social Services

Isleta Diabetes Prevention Program

Isleta Language Program

San Felipe Pueblo Youth Group

Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo Youth Group

## Isleta Youth Summit 2014



*Sunday morning was a half day dedicated to fun activities. Youth were available to participate in 3-legged races, water balloon toss, hula hoop relay race and other activities. All the youth participants were given certificates, medals and t-shirts for their attendance of the Isleta Youth Summit.*

M.A.D.D. - Mother's Against Drunk Driving

UNMCRBH- UNM Center for Rural and  
Community Behavioral Health

Eight Northern-Peace Keepers

### Multicultural Red Ribbon Relay Run 2014

#### HISTORY:

The Red Ribbon Campaign began in 1985 after Enrique (Kiki) Camerna was assassinated by drug traffickers in Tijuana, Mexico. Students attending the high school where Kiki graduated started wearing ribbons to signify his bloodshed. The Red Ribbon became the symbol to reduce the demand for drugs and encourage the choice of a healthy lifestyle. Today, as a part of this national campaign, the New Mexico Red Ribbon Campaign continues to be a driving force in focusing statewide attention on substance abuse issues and solutions. The Santa Fe Community Partnership was chosen to coordinate the statewide Red Ribbon Campaign year-round. The Multicultural Relay Run of twenty three (23) years through the Red Ribbon Campaign has increased the awareness of the devastating impact drugs and alcohol has had within our individual community members and overall community. The Multi-Cultural Drug and Alcohol Free Relay Run is an annual event that has provided public awareness

through the leadership of the communities throughout New Mexico and Arizona.

The 23rd Annual Multicultural Red Ribbon Relay Run (MCRRR) is upon us, starting September 3rd through September 12th. Isleta Pueblo's designated dates are scheduled for September 10th, 11th, and 12th, starting the relay on Day 1 from Bernardo to St. Augustine Church. Day 2, St. Augustine Church to Bataan Park, Albuquerque. Day 3 from Bataan Park to State Fair Grounds, where the closing of the MCRRR Activities will be held. With over 50 miles of road to run, please register with Behavioral Health.

Isleta Behavioral Health Services Prevention Program, along with various Isleta Departments, will be hosting a community roadblock dissemination on September 3rd. The dissemination day is designated for information sharing from various Isleta Departments to give out information of any and all things coming up for their departments. Incentives will be offered to participants in the roadblock event. The roadblock will be in the area of the Governor's Office/Post Office. A Red Ribbon Informational booth will be set up for Feast Day, September 4th. Anyone interested in the MCRRR Activities, or for more information, please contact Isleta Behavioral Health at 505.869.5475.



## Tiwa Lending Services is Recruiting New Board Members ( TLS )

*Are you interested in becoming a board member of Tiwa Lending Services?*

### Who is Tiwa Lending Services?

Tiwa Lending Services ("TLS") is a non-profit Native Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) whose mission is to promote community development and the economic growth of the Isleta Pueblo community by creating homeownership and small business opportunities for the Isleta Pueblo community and other Native Americans living within the surrounding communities.

***TLS's Board of Directors consists of 5 persons. Directors consist of two community members and three professional members preferably with financial, lending or business backgrounds. Board members must meet at least one of the following criteria: 1) be Native American, 2) live or work in the Isleta Pueblo community service area, or 3) own a business in the Isleta Pueblo community service area.***

### Description of Board Duties

The Board of Directors serves as the governing body of TLS. Board members will serve 2 year terms. The Board meets monthly.

Board members have the following roles and responsibilities:

1. Uphold the bylaws of the TLS.
2. Define and oversee the mission of TLS and ensure that this mission is carried out.
3. Ensure that the events and programs of TLS are relevant to its mission and monitor their effectiveness.
4. Provide strategic guidance to TLS.
5. Ensure financial solvency and help raise resources.
6. Ensure continuous board improvement. Each member of the board shall commit to the following:
  - Fully attend all meetings of the board.
  - Serve on one or more committees.
  - Understand board member roles and responsibilities and become sufficiently knowledgeable about TLS and its operations to make informed decisions.
  - Read all materials sent to the board and come prepared to provide meaningful dialogue at all board and committee meetings.
  - Arrive at meetings on time and stay for the full agenda unless notification is provided in advance to the board or committee chair.
  - Ask for clarification on any matters or material not understood before making a decision.
  - Listen carefully and respectfully to other board members and staff with objectivity.
  - Actively support the policies and goals adopted by the board, speaking with one unified voice.
  - Act as a liaison between the TLS and the community.

Specific Board members will serve as overseers of the following:

1. Overseer of Financial Management — The overseer of TLS's financial management system. This Board member shall work with the sub-committee to develop and manage an annual budget.
2. Leader of Public Relations — This Board member will oversee the development of all print, web, radio, and multi-media materials pertinent to the TLS and the events it sponsors. This board member is responsible for ensuring that all public relations material upholds the mission and standards of TLS.
3. Overseer of Fundraising — This board member will oversee fundraising efforts. They will help recruit and retain members for the fundraising committee and will help manage TLS's fundraising database, manage the creation and content of fundraising

material and ensure that organization supporters are recognized for their contributions.

4. Overseer of Events — This board member will oversee community events and work with committee event chairs to ensure that the overall message of the event is consistent with the mission of TLS. This board member will also actively work with the communities and other organizations to recruit partnerships for new events.
5. Board and Committee Recruitment — This board member will oversee the recruitment of new volunteers and board members.

Board members will be expected to attend training on Native Lending institutions and lending.

If you are interested in serving as a board member please send a letter of interest and resume to the Pueblo of Isleta Governor's Offices or by mail, in person, facsimile or electronic mail to:

**Sheila D. Herrera, Executive Director**  
**Tiwa Lending Services**  
**P.O. Box 1270**  
**Isleta, N.M. 87022**  
**sheila@tiwalending.org**  
**(505) 916-0556**  
**Facsimile: (505) 869-7596**

# THE WALKING CLUB

## Starting August 4th, 2014

**Location:** Isleta Recreation Little League Track

**Time:** 9:00a.m. - 10:00a.m.

**Monday, Wednesday, & Friday - Of Every Week!!!**

If you would like more information contact: Dawn LeBeau  
**(505) 869-4595**

→ **Learn pre-stretching**  
 → **Walk in a Group**  
 → **Track Your Progress**  
 → **Self Paced**

Sponsored By: Isleta Diabetes Prevention Programs (505) 869-4595





## Isleta Business Corporation

Chip R. Martin, Chief Executive Officer  
 Judy Abeita-Chavez, Executive Assistant  
 Brandi Ruffin, Operations Director  
 Iris Padilla, Human Resources  
 Lynette Padilla, Accounting Manager  
 Natalie Salvador, Accounting Technician

Greetings Pueblo of Isleta,

Through the years since our Corporation's establishment much has been accomplished and yet much still has to be explored. In 2011, Isleta Business Corporation began a venture to manage existing commerce while developing new businesses and opportunities that would benefit the Pueblo of Isleta through revenue growth and employment prospects. Through the growth of our corporation we have shaped Tribally Chartered Entities and Stockholder Investments that the pueblo currently owns or has percentage of ownership while also researching toward new projects. IBC Board Members that have dedicated their time to our mission consist of James Fitting, Chairman of the Board, Michael Paquin, Vice Chairman of the Board, Harold Culbertson, Director of the Board, Robert Lucero, Director of the Board, and Jessica Jaramillo, Director of the Board; with the inclusion of the IBC's Corporate Management Team, Chip R. Martin, CEO, Windell Gilliam, VP for Business Development, and Brandi Ruffin, Operations Director, IBC thrives toward greatness.

### Tribally Chartered Entities

The Entities located on the reservation under the supervision of Bill Ostendorf, Store Manager and Brandi Ruffin, Operations Director, includes the Isleta One Stop and Isleta Travel Center. With the transition to IBC Management the stores offer some 2000 products at competitive pricing in addition to fuel, tobacco, alcoholic sales, and Subway food offerings, while incorporating FLEET Card and Loyalty Programs. With the inclusion of a remodel of the One Stop Convenience Store in early 2015!

Our third Tribally Chartered Entity is Ossotanium, a full line on dental implants made with proprietary Biotanium material. These implants are stronger, integrates with bone faster, are safer (lacking Aluminum and Vanadium), and are less expensive than competitor implants made of regular titanium. Ossotanium has successfully completed nine implants at the Isleta Health/Dental Center. Ossotanium also offers the sale of surgical implant kits; bone grafting material and related dental surgery implant products for Aseptico. Our VP of Sales, Christopher Sanchez, oversees and has sought out invigorating ideas that Ossotanium has introduced to privately owned dental offices in the Albuquerque surrounding areas and nationwide.

## Drowsy Driving Tidbit

Isleta Health Center  
 Health Educator,  
 Stephanie Barela, 869-4479

Have you ever driven while you were drowsy... chances are you probably have. Next time think twice before you get behind the wheel when you are having trouble staying awake. The Center of Disease Control (CDC) says that there are about 100,000 crashes each year due to drowsy driving. This attributes to 40,000 injuries and about 1,500 deaths a year.

**STAY SAFE and  
 DON'T DRIVE DROWSY!!**



## Looking to start a business or need help with your current business?

The Small Business Development Center of New Mexico will be hosting a variety of classes geared toward helping small businesses succeed in today's market place.

### CLASS DATES:

Business Basics: 9:00-11:00am		Business Plans: 9:00- 11:00am	
Understanding your #'s	6/5/2014	Business Plan Overview	9/25/2014
Taxes I	6/19/2014	Operating/Management Plan	10/9/2014
Taxes II	8/7/2014	Marketing Plan	10/23/2014
Insurance	8/21/2014	Financial Plan	11/6/2014
Lending	9/11/2014		

Location: Albuquerque Hispano Chamber of Commerce  
 1309 Fourth Street SW Albuquerque, NM 87102



CALL LILIANA RAMIREZ TO SIGN UP (505)-248-0132

Or if you have any questions email us at: [sheila@tiwalending.org](mailto:sheila@tiwalending.org)



EDUCATING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER

## Financial Education Classes



Tiwa Lending Services will be offering financial education classes to the community. These classes will help to educate and promote financial stability and independence through group learning and outreach. The classes will consist of a variety of topics geared toward building your wealth and creating financial stability for yourself and family.

Course Duration:  
 July 10, 2014-  
 Sept. 25, 2014

Class Times:  
 12:00pm-1:30pm  
 5:30pm-7:00pm  
 Evening Class Full

- 1 class a week, for 12 weeks.
- Afternoon session is still open.
- Classes held every Thursday
- Classes will take place at the Governor's Offices.

### Class Topics

- Super Saving
- Buying Smarter
- College/Tuition
- Relating With Money
- Insurance Buying
- Retirement
- Cash Flow Planning
- Negotiating Deals
- Real Estate and
- Getting Rid of Debt
- Stocks, Bonds, and
- Mortgages
- Credit
- Mutual Funds

For more information on upcoming events and classes check us out at:

Call us to register:  
 (505)-916-0556

Please call us to register so that arrangements can be made to order your books and supplies. Thanks! :)



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## Car Seat Clinics

Isleta Health Center  
Health Educator, Stephanie Barela  
869-4479 □ sbarela@islclinic.net

During Child Passenger Safety Week this year (September 14-20, 2014), in addition to continuing to stress the vital importance of car seat inspections and hands-on education, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is making a special effort in emphasizing two key messages:

• **REGISTER YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY SEAT.** According to NHTSA and car seat manufacturers, far too few seats are registered, exposing children to heightened risk in the event of a recall. IT IS IMPORTANT to REGISTER YOUR CHILD'S Safety Seat. It is also quick, free and readily accessible electronically.

• **CHILDREN UNDER 13 SHOULD RIDE IN THE BACK SEAT.** This is the safest place for them – according to NHTSA, on average, more than 100 children in the 8-14 age group die in crashes each year while riding in the front seat.

### Why is it important to use Child Safety Seats for your child?

Motor vehicle injuries are the leading cause of death among children in the United States, but many of these deaths can be prevented. Placing children in age- and size-appropriate car seats and booster seats reduces serious and fatal injuries by more than half, according to the Centers of Disease Control ([www.CDC.com](http://www.CDC.com)). In the United States during 2009, 1,314 children ages 14 years and younger died as occupants in motor vehicle crashes, and approximately 179,000 were injured. One CDC study found that in one year, more than 618,000 children ages 0-12 rode in vehicles without the use of a child safety seat, booster seat or a seat belt at least some of the time. Not only are parents not insuring the child to be in a safety seat, but if they do put them in a safety seat, it is usually used incorrectly. One study found that 72% of nearly 3,500 observed car and booster seats were misused in a way that could be expected to increase a child's risk of injury during a crash. Not only do we see national studies that show a high number of car seats being incorrectly used, but every year at Isleta Health Center's Car Seat Clinic's, we see many car seats improperly installed and misused. The Isleta Health Center had a Car Seat Clinic on May 30, 2014 at the Isleta Rec Center. There were 8 Car seats inspected, 5 of which were incorrect for the child, which is a 63% misuse rate. This shows how important it is to get your child's car seat checked, to insure the safety of it. We will be having our next Car Seat Clinic on October 18th from 9am to 11am at the Isleta Health Center. Please call with any questions - 869-4482 or 869-4479.

## 3 out of 4 Child Safety Seats Are Used Incorrectly.

Could yours be one of them?



Have your child safety seat or booster seat inspected for recalls, broken parts, improper installation, and appropriateness for your child. Learn the child restraint law in New Mexico. There is no charge for this service.

### Isleta Health Center

# 1 Sagebrush Rd, Isleta Pueblo, NM

Saturday, October 18, 2014  
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

For an more information, please call  
Frances @ **869-4482** or  
Stephanie @ **869-4479**



### ISLETA HEALTH CENTER

*"Did you know?"*

### Did you know about the 24-hour Nurse Advice Line?

- Have you ever wondered what to do when the Health Center is closed?
- Have you ever wondered if you were in an emergency situation and should call 911?
- Have you been unsure if you needed to visit the walk-in clinic or make an appointment?

If you need answers to health related concerns and aren't sure if you need to visit the walk-in clinic or call 911, use the toll-free NURSE ADVICE LINE\*. When you speak with a Registered Nurse, please follow the nurse recommendations for home care or the need for health facility care.

## NURSE ADVICE LINE 1-877-752-2552

This line is available 24 Hours A Day, 7 Days A Week, 365 Days A Year and is available for FREE to ALL Isleta Health Center patients!

### \* CALL 911 FOR LIFE THREATENING EMERGENCIES

This includes, but is not limited to: chest pains, severe injury and/or bleeding, and severe breathing problems.

NOTE: You must notify Purchased/Referred Care staff (formerly CHS) within 72 hours if you are seen at any facility other than the Isleta Health Center.



## Assisted Living & Memory Care Facility Update

We are getting closer to the completion of Our New Assisted Living Facility & Memory Care Unit. Construction is on target for completion by December 2014. Once the building is fully constructed it will undergo numerous inspections to ensure the facility is safe and ready for occupancy. The Tribal Planning department has been working diligently on obtaining quotes for the furniture, fixtures, & equipment (FF&E) for the facility and meetings with the Tribal Planning Department continue as needed.

The policies & procedures are being reviewed by the Tribal Attorney's Office to ensure compliance with the NM Department of Health's rules & regulations for an Adult Assisted Living Facility.

Job descriptions have been created and have been reviewed by the Tribal Attorney's Office and the Human Resources Department. Upon approval by the Tribal Council these job descriptions will be posted by the Human Resources Department to initiate the process of recruitment. A preliminary budget has been developed and submitted to the Tribal Treasurer for final review. Contracts have been obtained and provided to the Tribal Attorneys and Procurement Department for review and to establish new vendors for the facility.

Currently, meetings are being scheduled with the 4 Centennial Care MCOs (Blue Cross Blue Shield, Molina, Presbyterian, and United Healthcare) to establish reimbursement rates for those residents that are Medicaid enrolled or eligible.

At this time, community members have been contacting the Administrator to obtain information about the facility and what the process is for potential residents. The Administrator is currently taking contact information regarding potential residents.

For more information regarding the Pueblo of Isleta Assisted Living & Memory Care Facility, you may:

- ▶ Contact the Administrator to obtain general information at (505) 869-5560.
- ▶ Upon receipt of general information of the potential resident, an appointment will be set up to discuss the Pre-screening Admission Assessment process which includes the admission criteria and the types of services offered by the facility.
- ▶ The Administrator will review the facility floor plan including a "sneak preview" of the resident's room.

Next Community Meeting in regards to the Facility will be:

**Wednesday, September 10, 2014**  
**Elder Center Kiva Room**  
**6:00 pm**  
**\*Refreshments to be served\***

## WIC NOTES

The WIC staff would like to thank all of you who attended our annual World Breastfeeding Day Celebration on August 1st. Our WIC families enjoyed food and fellowship. Our breastfeeding moms were awarded a "Thank You for Breastfeeding" certificate and both our nursing moms and moms-to-be were given appreciation gifts. Everyone enjoyed food and the kids especially liked the snow cones and inflatable jumper.

A special "Thank You" to Dr. Chynowith who stopped by to represent the POI health clinic providers. Dr. Chynowith publically thanked our breastfeeding moms. We sincerely appreciate her and her team's support.

Please join us next year!

### Finger Foods

Until about 9 months feeding your baby has been your job. But as your baby gets older, your little one will want to do this more and more on his or her own.

When babies begin feeding themselves — a new task most really enjoy — they'll find that they like trying new tastes and textures. No longer are baby purees and mushy cereals the only things on the menu.

By the time they're 9 months old, most babies have developed the fine motor skills — the small movements — needed to pick up small pieces of food and feed themselves. You may notice that yours can take hold of food (and other small objects) between forefinger and thumb in a pincer grasp.

Allow your child to self-feed as much as possible, though you'll still be helping out by spoon-feeding. Encouraging finger feeding helps your child develop independent, healthy eating habits.

Finger feeding gives babies some control over what they eat and how much. Sometimes they will eat the food, sometimes not, and that's all part of the normal process of learning self-regulation. Even babies can tell when they're hungry or full, so let them learn to recognize and respond to these cues. Do not encourage your baby to eat if she is not interested in food, it just means she is not hungry.

**What are finger foods:** Small pieces of safe foods that your little one can pick up and eat by herself.

**When to introduce them:** Once your child can use her thumb and fingers to pick up small things, usually around 9 months.

**Good foods to try.** Safe foods include small pieces of banana, small pieces of well cooked pasta and cereal like Cheerios and Kix.

**How to stay safe:** Always have your child sit up awhile eating, and stay nearby in case she starts to choke.

Check with your pediatrician before starting finger foods.

Heidi Lanes, WIC Nutrition Coordinator

### One Bowl Chocolate Cake

By making this simple cake from scratch, you can use healthful oil, whole-wheat flour, and no-calorie sweetener.

#### Ingredients:

- 3/4 cup(s) whole-wheat pastry flour
- 2 tablespoon(s) whole-wheat pastry flour, combined with above flour
- 1/4 cup Splenda Sugar Blend for Baking OR 1/2 cup(s) sugar
- 1/3 cup(s) unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1 teaspoon(s) baking powder
- 1 teaspoon(s) baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon(s) salt

- 1/2 cup(s) nonfat buttermilk
- 1/4 cup Splenda Sugar Blend for Baking OR 1/2 cup(s) packed light brown sugar
- 1 large egg, lightly beaten
- 2 tablespoon(s) canola oil
- 1 teaspoon(s) vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup(s) hot strong black coffee
- Confectioner's sugar, for dusting

#### Directions:

1. Preheat oven to **350** degrees F. Coat a 9-inch round cake pan with cooking spray. Line the pan with a circle of wax paper .
2. Whisk flour, Splenda (or

granulated sugar), cocoa powder, baking powder, baking soda and salt in a large bowl. Add buttermilk, Splenda (or brown sugar), egg, oil and vanilla. Beat with an electric mixer on medium speed for 2 minutes. Add hot coffee and beat to blend. (The batter will be quite thin.) Pour the batter into the prepared pan.

3. Bake the cake until a skewer inserted in the center comes out clean, **30 to 35 minutes**. Cool in the pan on a wire rack for 10 minutes; remove from the pan, peel off the wax paper and let cool completely. Dust the top with powdered sugar before slicing.

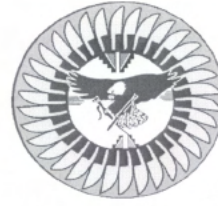
**UNITED WE RUN TO BE  
"DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE"**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL MULTICULTURAL  
RED RIBBON RELAY RUN**  
**Communities making a difference!!!!**  
**Date: September 3 -12, 2014**



DAY	DATE	LOCATION	MILES
1	9/3	Farmington to Shiprock	27.75
2	9/4	Shiprock to Naschitti	51.05
3	9/5	Naschitti to Tohatchi	18.56
5	9/6	Ft. Defiance to Window Rock	6.7
		Window Rock to Gallup	26.5
		Zuni to Gallup	38
		Pinehill to Grants RV park	49.9
6	9/8	Gallup to Thoreau	32.9
		Crownpoint to Thoreau	24.55
7	9/9	Thoreau to Grants	31.30
		Pinehill to Grants	187.32
8	9/10	Taos to Santa Clara,	47.91
		Santa Clara and Northern Pueblos to Santa Fe	26.40
		Grants to Acoma to Laguna	49.63
		Alamo to Socorro	57.46
9	9/11	Bernardo to Isleta	38
		Santa Fe to Cochiti to	36.3
		Santo Domingo to San Felipe - Sandia	29
		Laguna to Tohajiilee BH - to East Tohajiilee	20.02
10	9/12	Isleta to Bataan Park	15.01
		Bataan park to State Fair Grounds	4

Friday, 9/12/2014 - All runners will convene at Bataan Park @ 10:30 am  
Start run @ 11:15 am to State Fair Grounds - Gate 3 then to Indian Village

For more information contact:  
Santana Titla @ (505) 869-5475 / Cell # 270-8498 or Dennis Lorenzo @ Cell  
# 870-4001



**UNITED WE RUN TO BE  
"DRUG FREE"**

## 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Multicultural Red Ribbon Relay Run September 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

### Isleta Relay Run Schedule

**09/10/14**

Bernardo to  
Isleta, St. Augustine Church

**09/11/14**

Isleta, St. Augustine Church to  
Bataan Park, Alb.

**09/12/14**

**FINAL RUN**

From Bataan Park to  
State Fair Grounds (Indian Village, Gate 3)

**Any Interested Runners!**

Please contact Isleta Behavioral Health  
@ (505) 869.5475 by September 3<sup>rd</sup>.



## 23<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL MULTI-CULTURAL RED RIBBON RELAY RUN

"UNITED WE RUN TO BE DRUG-FREE"

September 10-12, 2014

### RUNNERS REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Community: \_\_\_\_\_

Male ( ) Female ( ) T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Days Running: \_\_\_\_\_ Wednesday Sept. 10, 2014 - Bernardo to Isleta Church  
\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday Sept. 11, 2014 - Isleta Church to Bataan Park  
\_\_\_\_\_ Friday Sept. 12, 2014 - Bataan Park to Fair Grounds

\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No I give Isleta Behavioral Health Services authorization to take and use my  
photo for use in the monthly Pueblo newsletter.

List Any Medical Problems: \_\_\_\_\_

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### WAIVER OF RESPONSIBILITY

I hereby waive and release any and all rights for damages I may have against the Pueblo of  
Isleta Behavioral Health Services / The State of New Mexico / MCRR Planning Committee  
and other Sponsoring and participating Agents for all injuries sustained by my  
participation in said events.

Participants Signature

Date

Parent / Guardian Signature if under 18

Date



Isleta Health Center Calendar Questions? Call 869-3200 <b>September 2014</b>						
SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT
	<b>1 LABOR DAY CLINIC CLOSED</b>	<b>2</b> Women's Support Group: 10-11am @ BHS. Acu-Detox: 1-2pm @ BHS. Adult Wellness: 5-6pm @ BHS.	<b>3</b> Parent Group: 9-11am @ BHS. Anger Management Skills: 1-3pm @ BHS.	<b>4</b> Women's Path to Recovery: 1-2:30 pm @ BHS. Grief Group: 1-2pm @ BHS. Str8 Rez: 4:30-6pm @ BHS.	<b>5</b> Early Recovery Skills: 9-11am @ BHS.	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Early Recovery Skills: 9-11am @ BHS. Young Leaders Youth Krew: 4:30-6:30p @ BHS.	<b>9</b> Women's Support Group: 10-11am @ BHS. Isleta Cancer Education & Support (ICES): 6pm @ IHC (kitchen/dinner). "Cancer Treatments: How to Make Informed Choices About Standard Care and Clinical Trials." Acu-Detox: 1-2pm @ BHS. Adult Wellness: 5-6pm @ BHS.	<b>10</b> Parent Group: 9-11a @ IBHS. Anger Management Skills: 1-3pm @ BHS.	<b>11</b> Women's Path to Recovery: 1-2:30pm @ BHS. Grief Group: 1-2pm @ BHS. Str8 Rez: 4:30-6pm @ BHS.	<b>12</b> Early Recovery Skills: 9-11am @ BHS. Isleta Diabetes/Obesity Prevention Advocacy Group: 5-6p, Diabetes Administration building.	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Early Recovery Skills: 9-11am @ BHS. Young Leaders Youth Krew: 4:30-6:30 p @ BHS. Diabetic Exercise Class Measurements: 4:30-6:30 @ DPP Wellness Center.	<b>16</b> Women's Support Group: 10-11am @ BHS. Acu-Detox: 1-2pm @ BHS. Adult Wellness: 5-6pm @ BHS.	<b>17</b> Parent Group: 9-11am @ BHS. Anger Management Skills: 1-3pm @ BHS. Diabetic Exercise Class Measurements: 4:30-6:30 @ DPP Wellness Center.	<b>18</b> Women's Path to Recovery: 1-2:30pm @ BHS. Grief Group: 1-2pm @ BHS. Str8 Rez: 4:30-6pm @ BHS.	<b>19</b> Early Recovery Skills: 9-11am @ BHS.	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Early Recovery Skills: 9-11am @ BHS. Young Leaders Youth Krew: 4:30-6:30pm @ BHS. Diabetic Group Exercise Class: 5:30 @ DPP Wellness Center. Freedom From Smoking: 5:30pm @ Health Center	<b>23</b> Women's Support Group: 10-11am @ BHS. Acu-Detox: 1-2pm @ BHS. Adult Wellness: 5-6pm @ BHS. Moderate/High Risk Diabetic Exercise Class: 5:30 @ DPP Wellness Center.	<b>24</b> Parent Group: 9-11am @ BHS. Anger Management Skills: 1-3pm @ BHS. Diabetic Group Exercise Class: 5:30 @ DPP Wellness Center.	<b>25</b> Women's Path to Recovery: 1-2:30pm @ BHS. Grief Group: 1-2pm @ BHS. Str8 Rez: 4:30-6pm @ BHS. Moderate/High Risk Diabetic Exercise Class: 5:30 @ DPP Wellness Center.	<b>26</b> Early Recovery Skills: 9-11am @ BHS.	<b>27</b>
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Isleta Cancer Education & Support Group

**Cancer Treatment:**  
How to Make Informed Choices About  
Standard Care and Clinical Trials

**September 9, 2014**  
**6:00pm - 7:30pm**  
**Dinner Served!!**

Meet in the Kitchen at the Clinic  
Enter on the South side of the building  
near Behavioral Health

**Please join us!**



**Everyone welcome!**

Please contact Stephanie Barela @ 869-4479 if you have questions.



**Freedom  
From Smoking**

**WANT TO QUIT SMOKING?**

SIGN UP FOR  
THE ISLETA HEALTH CENTER'S  
**Freedom From Smoking**  
PROGRAM NOW!

STARTS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> AT 5:30PM  
97% OF PARTICIPANTS  
THAT ATTENDED EVERY SCHEDULED SESSION  
QUIT SMOKING!!



**Weekly Prizes!**

→ Nicotine Replacement Therapy for those  
clinic patients who attend weekly sessions!

→ Get support from others that are going  
through the same thing.

**CONTACT:**

**Stephanie Barela @**  
**505-869-4479**

for more information or to  
reserve your spot in this class!



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