

Quarterly News

The Hopi Foundation Newsletter



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"Strengthening Communities through Collaborative Actions"

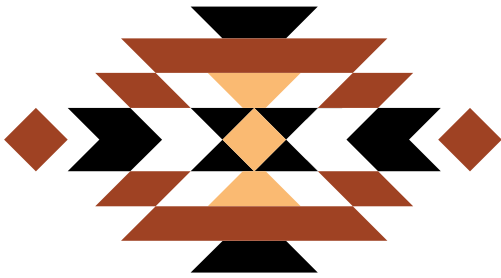


A message from the Executive Director, Monica Nuvamsa

I am honored for the opportunity to thank our community of donors for their support of The Hopi Foundation's service and mission. In reflecting on our experience through the pandemic thus far, our role as both a grant maker and a host of valuable nonprofit programs, we acknowledge how critical it has been for us to remain more focused and intentional in the service we provide to our community.

In the past two years, I've seen our programs and staff take on the challenges of the pandemic and step forward in our community's greatest time of need with the readiness and capacity to serve. It is because of our donors like you that we are able to do this.

The Hopi Foundation has learned so much during the pandemic and through our programs, have worked hard to bridge across sectors to fulfill our mission of Loma'suminangwtukwsiwmani - strengthening our community through collaborative actions. Our lessons learned include knowing that we have the knowledge that has kept our culture and society resilient and our ability to activate our relationship networks, place our community values at the forefront, and demonstrate our ability to do the work ourselves. I thank you for supporting this important role we serve for the Hopi people and your trust in our role to facilitate community-based solutions needed from within. Askwali, um itamuy unangwtavya!



"Our Hopi values remind us of our resilience as we navigate change and help our community rebuild for a better tomorrow."

SAVE THE DATE!

Join us for Arizona's largest online fundraising event.

The Hopi Foundation will be participating in the annual Arizona Gives Day fundraising campaign.

This year's 24-hour giving campaign will be held over two days, beginning April 5th - 12pm thru April 6th - 12pm.

Early giving begins March 15, 2022.



azgives.org/hopifoundation

HOPI Substance Abuse Prevention Center

HSAPC is currently in phase one of its reopening phases of the pandemic. In recent times HSAPC has been experiencing some transitional phases throughout the Covid Pandemic. Nevertheless, HSAPC and its staff continue to work diligently by continuing its service to the community. All services are provided in accordance to each staff member's schedule, via zoom or over the phone. HSAPC continues to be a vital part of the HOPI Family Wellness Court, providing services and support as team members.

HSAPC is continuing to strengthen and build community partnerships and will be participating as a presenter in the "I'm for life" Empowerment week March 14th - March 18th, 2022, hosted by Hopi Behavioral Health Services.



SAVE THE DATE

HSAPC Recovery Garden Cleaning/ Preperation

Friday, March 25th, 2022

Volunteers Welcome!



For more information Call (928) 734 - 0300 or (928) 514-4732

On January 31st, 2022, Bryan Humetewa transitioned into the Interim Program Manager position. Bryan takes on this role while continuing to provide one-to-one mentoring and remaining a part of the planning committee of this year's Recovery Garden, which will be seeking volunteers for this project. The HSAPC Program Manager position is still open and HF is currently accepting applications until the position is filled. If you are interested in applying, please submit your application to The Hopi Foundation.

Racheal Povatah, a long time staff member of HSAPC, is currently facilitating the ACCI Domestic Violence Community Group class, along with doing one-to-one mentoring both via Zoom and phone. Racheal continues to lead the team with her knowledge of the program's history and communicates with referrals to offreservation residential treatment facilities. During the pandemic Racheal continued to hold down the fort by being in the office and helping to keep the office maintained.

Bernadean Kachinhongva, our newest member of the team, is currently hosting the ACCI Anger Management Community Group classes, along with one-to-one mentoring via Zoom. Bernadean has been working with Mr. Gary Leslie, of House Calls and will be sharing on the February awareness month theme "Boost your Self-Esteem" which focuses on mental health. More details to come

- HSAPC continues to be a host site for 12-step AA meetings, Monday through Friday at 12 noon via Zoom, check our website for the meeting list.
- It is our goal to continue professional development around Trauma Informed Care with Mary Fabri.
- Future ACCI Lifeskills community group classes will be on their way, keep an eye out for flyers.
- MPOWRD Training with Susan Rothery will begin Wednesday, February 23, 2022. These Trainings are inclusive to the scope of work provided by HSAPC. Soon we will be able to offer a more focused approach of services to our local youth population.

If you have any questions regarding our services, please contact (928) 734-0300



KUYI Hopi Radio 88.1FM

KUYI is remaining steady in its mission to provide quality music, Hopi language content and up-to-date news, community announcements and programs. We are so thankful and happy to see our former community DJ volunteers are slowly returning for mornings and evenings.

We are happy to announce that KUYI will be bringing on a Receptionist, beginning February 28th to help the current staff and overall smooth running of our ever busy studio.

Throughout the year, KUYI is responsible for completing a variety of reports. We're happy to have recently received approval on The FY 2021 SAS Radio Survey for 4092 KUYI-FM.

KUYI looks forward to increased collaboration with the local schools, Tribal programs and communities on issues of interest. If you have project ideas to propose, please send us an email: stationmanager@kuyi.net. In addition to collaborations we hope to also increase coverage of community events and news.

- We aim to increase the airing of the Word of the Day for our Hopi language speakers.
- We would like to increase the return of former and new DJs. If you are interested please contact us.
- KUYI is looking forward to a new home for the station this summer!
- KUYI will be looking forward to the April 5th-6th AZ Gives Day.
- There may not be any local public events until after March, when the Executive Order is lifted, please stay tuned!
- Availability of our KUYI merchandise items for sale.
- As always we encourage you to reach out to KUYI for your announcements and PSAs



"You're listening to KUYI 88.1 FM and 89.1 LPFM, Upper Moencopi and around the world at kuyi.net. KUYI is a project of The Hopi Foundation."

If you have any questions regarding our services, please contact (928) 784-5505, Email: info@kuyi.net

The Natwani Coalition

The program is currently finalizing the data analysis of the 2021 Community Food Assessment. A final report of the findings will be available by late Spring. The Natwani Coalition is happy to report that we have a newly established office/studio at the Peace Academic Center. As a part of this exciting news, we have begun recording the first episodes of the revamped Farm Talk, originally part of KUYI Radio broadcasting. The first episodes will be available March 1st wherever you get your podcasts.

Recruitment of staff has been a part of our first quarter to fill the positions of the Program Associate and Coordinator position, which are now closed. We look forward to interviews with qualifying applicants.

Announcements

- Food/farming technical assistance workshop dates and locations will be coming soon.
- The Natwani Coalition new office space is located at the Peace Academic Center. Building A, Classroom 3. Our new phone number is 928-734-1155.
- The Natwani Coalition will once again be a proud supporter/partner of the Hopi Farmers Market. Planning for the 2022 HFM season is underway. Dates and locations will be coming soon.
- Request for Proposals the Community Grant Program will be open to the Hopi/Tewa Community in April.

We welcome you to be a part of our goals, to establish the Farm Talk podcast to where content will be available to the community on a regular schedule, for Natwani to be fully staffed and to continue to provide support for our local farmers, growers and ranchers.



Natwani Coalition Office now located at Peace Academic Center, Classroom 3



Hopi Leadership Program

Commencing with a Regrouping Session at the end of December 2021 the Hopi Leadership Program (HLP) has completed programming sessions for the HLP 2021-2022 Cohort for the first two months of the 2022 new year. The HLP was able to have two in-person sessions in December 2021 and January 2022 before going virtual in February. Thus far the HLP cohort has completed sessions on topics of Communication & Management and Introduction to Community Organizing & Nonprofit Organizations. The program looks forward to hosting the next learning topic in March on "Organizational Sustainability & Marketing".

Most recently the Hopi Leadership Program has been in contact with members of the HLP alumni community. The HLP will be working to hear more from HLP alumni members on how they wish to work with the program to further Hopi community projects and support HLP alumni efforts. In the near future, the HLP program staff will be reaching out to HLP alumni for their involvement in a strategic planning session to further refine the Hopi Leadership Program's short and long-term goals.

The Hopi Leadership Program staff (Program Manager and Program Coordinator) look forward to professional development trainings in 2022 that are designed to elevate the quality of HLP's programming delivery. This is especially in regard to the area of facilitating HLP sessions utilizing online platforms. Our program staff continues to engage with the HLP cohort, alumni, and the community utilizing digital networks to sustain our programming and outreach. In spite of challenges presented by an ongoing pandemic and going forward, the Hopi Leadership Program embraces the concept of resiliency as we continue the important work of growing a new generation of strong Hopi and Tewa leaders. The HLP is appreciative to its community partners and funders who make our work possible; with that said, we express a genuine Kwakwhá (Thank You) to all!

Hopi Opportunity Youth Initiative

To our local Hopi community and partners,

HOYI (Hopi Opportunity Youth Initiative) has been in existence since 2013, supported as a project under the Hopi Foundation and funded by the Aspen Institute. Our beginning unfolded by bringing our stakeholders together in addressing youth development and identifying the gaps in our services to our youth. For the past 8 years it has been a learning journey through collecting data, facilitating research and conversations, establishing solutions-based pilots, and developing surveys and reports. Such as the Mentoring Pilot, Internship Pilot, Cultural Well-being & Language assessments, and the development of the nonprofit Data Governance Framework.

The work of HOYI and contribution from our partners, demonstrates a need for future planning in improving youth services while building capacity of service delivery. Much of what was collected in the beginning, was to promote partnerships to collaborate in how we serve our Hopi and Tewa youth. HOYI has set its mission to rely on community strengths and human assets in the work around capacity building and collective impact.

At this time, HOYI will be entering a short dormancy period in which we will take some time to assess and reflect on our journey and what we have learned from our partnerships. We will spend part of this year to prepare an impact report that can help to inform our leadership and our community in how we move forward in supporting youth informed programming in the future.

We look forward to sharing the HOYI story with you. Our hope is to influence the narrative in how various sectors of our community can positively contribute to youth development in the various capacities that they dream for themselves.

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Finally, the Hopi Foundation's Hopi Emergency Relief Fund has successfully distributed relief grants to all villages and various programs across the reservation in a continued effort to respond to the pandemic. We look forward to seeing the outcomes and impacts these awards have made amongst our families, communities, and overall villages.

Please also see our press release below about HERF's demobilization.



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Cody Honani, HERF Site Manager
928-734-2380

PRESS RELEASE
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
December 29, 2021

Hopi Foundation's HERF Demobilizing, Transferring Operations to Hopi Relief

Kykotsmovi, AZ - At the end of December, 2021 The Hopi Foundation's (HF) Hopi Emergency Relief Fund (HERF) ended direct-service operations and will be transferring many of these services to Hopi Relief. These Services include Covid isolation kits, PPE kits, and air purifiers for Hopi programs and businesses. HERF has been providing these services out of the Peace Academic Center (PAC) gym in Kykotsmovi, since early in 2020.

In the beginning months of the COVID-19 Pandemic, several Hopi Foundation staff along with a group of volunteers from the community began emergency relief efforts to help support the people of the Hopi reservation. The Hopi Foundation already had the Hopi Emergency Assistance Fund established as a means to receive and regrant funding to entities providing emergency-related services to community members. In July of 2020, amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, operations under this fund transitioned to a full operation site, with HF staff stepping in to co-lead the emergency relief efforts and recruiting community members to support these efforts.

After nearly two years of work, HF has made preparations and is ready to transition HERF back to strictly a funding source and shift more focus to their other projects, including the Hopi Substance Abuse Prevention Center, Hopi Opportunity Youth Initiative, Natwani Coalition, Hopi Leadership Program, and KUYI-Hopi Radio. This transition will still allow funds to be raised under HERF and funneled to various groups that are focused on providing emergency relief services. The transition and aforementioned preparations also include providing various supplies and equipment, and funding to transfer services to Hopi Relief.

This transfer of services relies on partnership, which resembles much of the work that helped the Hopi community during the pandemic. Thanks largely to HERF's past partnerships, community volunteers, and the community itself, HERF has been able to serve the Hopi reservation and its people for almost two years during a very trying time. During the pandemic, especially early on, it was extremely difficult but equally important to coordinate and collaborate efforts to assure each community was receiving timely services in a safe manner, while also reducing overlap and waste.

Besides volunteers, HERF's partnerships also included Ancestral Lands - Hopi (AL- Hopi) and Navajo & Hopi Families Covid-19 Relief Fund (NHFCRF), the Peace Academic Center, Hopi Wellness Center, Hopi Health Care Center Nutritionist, Hopi Community Health Representatives, IHS Public Health Nurses, The Hopi Tribe & HERT (the Hopi Emergency Relief Team), Red Feather Development Group, Hopi Tutskwa Permaculture Institute, St. Mary's Food Bank, and each of the villages. HERF also worked with several of the grassroots organizations that emerged at the onset of the pandemic including Hopi Relief.

The people and organizations that came together to help the community and those in need showcased Hopi values such as Nami'nangwa and Hita'nangwa in action. While the Hopi community was hit hard by illness and death, it would likely have been much worse without these brave and initiative efforts. Continuance of efforts like these will also be important in fighting through and moving on from Covid.

Hopi Relief will be continuing Covid-19 emergency relief efforts with a number of the services the HERF crews provided. Therefore, there will not be a void with the HERF relief site closing its doors at the Peace Academic Center on December 31, 2021. Hopi Relief is also focused on providing and building long-term services and solutions to address needs within the Hopi community. The Hopi Foundation is confident that Hopi Relief, under the leadership of Wendi Lewis, Executive Director, will continue to provide services to help keep the community safe and healthy. For more information, please contact The Hopi Foundation at info@hopifoundation.org or Hopi Relief at wendi@hopirelief.org.

News from our Departments

From the Desk of the HF Data Manager

The Hopi Data Working Group (DWG) meetings will continue to meet via Zoom. The next DWG meeting will be on April 27, 2022. The DWG meetings are held on the last Wednesday every 2 months for 2 hours from 3:00pm to 5:00pm. The topics for the first 3 meetings will be centered around building the basics and strengthening your organization's data culture. The characteristics of data culture collaboratives are:

- Data are integral to collaborative work;
- Data are shared within the collaborative and with the public, as appropriate;
- Data are seen as necessary for tracking progress and engaging in continuous improvement;
- Organizational partners are essential to defining indicators, collecting and analyzing data, and interpreting results, as they desire to do so; and
- Organizational partners have the knowledge and skills necessary to contribute fully in defining indicators, collecting and analyzing data, and interpreting results.

The DWG meetings are open to all local programs and organizations reservation wide. The topics revolve around building your program and organization's data collect capacity. If you would like to be part of the Hopi Data Working Group, please send an email to eugene.cody@hopifoundation.org and you will be added to the DWG Contact List.

New Hires within The Hopi Foundation



Hello! My name is **Renalda Jackson**, the newly hired **Staff Accountant** for The Hopi Foundation. My clan is Sand Clan from Tewa Village in Polacca, AZ. I have been with

The Hopi Foundation Finance Department for 5 months now, which has been a great learning experience. I am excited to share my experience and knowledge that I have gained over the years with The Hopi Foundation. Prayer for a blessed year. Ku'na'ah



Hi! My name is **Cody Honani**, newly hired **Data Entry Clerk** for The Hopi Foundation. I am Spider Clan from the Village of Tewa. I previously worked for the Foundation under it's Hopi

Emergency Relief Fund project, first as a crew member and ending as the Relief Site Manager. When the doors closed on the relief site at the end of 2021, I transitioned in to my new position and look forward to continuing to grow with The Hopi Foundation. Happy New Year to all! Kwa'kwah.