

HF Quarterly Newsletter



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Embracing Change: Celebrating the Next Chapter of Leadership

As the seasons transition from Winter, Spring, and Summer to Fall, so do we. Over the past 2-3 years, through thoughtful conversations and strategic planning, ideas and visions have come to fruition. This quarter, we witness, celebrate, and support the next generation of leadership at The Hopi Foundation.

In this time of change and adjustment, we reflect on our journey, envision the path ahead, and celebrate the successes along the way. Our community's work continues to guide us with purpose, fulfilling our mission: "Lomasumi'nangtukwsiwmani." In this phrase lies the heart of our commitment—to invest in our community's potential and nurture its growth for generations to come.

We invite you to join us in this next chapter of leadership and discover how you can support the work of The Hopi Foundation.

As we embrace this new chapter of leadership and growth, it's also important to reflect on the milestones we've achieved over the past quarter. Here are some key highlights that showcase our progress and dedication

HF held its All-Staff Retreat in July to recognize and acknowledge staff contributions and dedication to their team and community work. Staff members nominated their colleagues in various Hopi-values-based categories, including:

- *Hita'nangwa*
- *Nami'nangwa*
- *Sumi'nangwa*
- *A Hopi: Professional Achievement Award*
- *Employee Service Award*

The retreat also focused on building team camaraderie, conducting a mid-year review of strategic goals, and celebrating accomplishments.

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We also hosted our Annual Meeting (both virtual and in-person) on August 22, 2024. This yearly gathering presents the Foundation's programming, goals, financial health, and accomplishments to our community, donors, and partners. The event provided opportunities for stakeholders to get involved and support our work.

In the 3rd quarter, The Hopi Foundation's **Hopi Emergency Relief Fund** launched two grant cycles aimed at supporting Hopi nonprofits, villages, and individuals. One of the new grant opportunities focuses on Climate Innovation, offering supplemental grants for Water Conservation, Farming, and Livestock Farming/Ranching. This unique grantmaking approach is the first of its kind for The Hopi Foundation, addressing the challenges of climate change and informing future grantmaking frameworks in these areas.

In addition to our internal milestones, our team has been actively engaging in external opportunities to broaden our impact and bring new resources to the Hopi community. This past quarter, Hopi Foundation staff participated in

key conferences and forums, allowing us to strengthen connections, expand our network, and gain valuable insights.

Hopi Foundation staff participated in the Arizona Rural Policy Forum, which brought together rural and tribal economic development professionals, community leaders, business owners, and nonprofits. The forum offered valuable strategies, tools, and networking opportunities to strengthen rural and tribal communities. As a nonprofit and grantmaker, the forum allowed HF to expand its network and explore opportunities to bring more resources to the Hopi community.

Members of The Hopi Foundation's Admin, Development, and Finance teams attended the UNITE Nonprofit + Grantmaker Conference. This one-day event brought together nonprofits and grantmakers to strengthen connections, network with other professionals, and attend educational sessions focused on fundraising, grantmaking, and staff and board development. The conference fostered new relationships and insights to support the work of The Hopi Foundation.



2024 HOPI FOUNDATION EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Nami'angwa, Stewardship Award - An employee who consistently gives extra effort and uses positive behaviors to make the organization a better place to work

Sumi'angwa, Team Builder Award - An employee who recommends or implements process improvements beneficial to the overall organization or project

Hita'angwa, Community Service Award - An employee who demonstrates compassion, selflessness, care and dedication in their service of the Hopi Foundation Mission

A Hopi, Professional Achievement Award - An employee who represents strength and wisdom through prayer, education, and experience to address community needs from an eagle's viewpoint with a caring attitude and humility

HOPI Substance Abuse Prevention Center



New Funding Partnership with Health First Foundation

Effective July 1, 2024, HSAPC proudly launched a new funding partnership with the Health First Foundation, supporting our mission to improve community health initiatives and expand program capabilities.

Welcoming New Mentor, Latonia Lomayestewa

On September 9, 2024, we welcomed **Latonia Lomayestewa** to our team as our newest mentor. Latonia brings valuable experience and commitment to supporting Hopi youth through mentorship, helping them reach their goals and build a brighter future.



New HSAPC Mentor, Latonia Lomayestewa. Sand Clan member from the Village of Tewa



Governor's Office
of Youth, Faith and
Family

GOYFF TISSAP Grant Renewal

We are thrilled to announce another year of funding from the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family's Trauma-Informed Substance Abuse Prevention Program Grant, reinforcing our continued work toward supporting trauma-informed services within our community.

Arts & Craft/Food Sale Fundraiser

HSAPC held an arts and craft sale that provided local community members a platform to sell their handmade creations and raise funds for their personal ventures. In support of our program, HSAPC raised funds through booth fees and food sales, making this event both a community-driven marketplace and a successful fundraiser. This gathering not only highlighted local artisans but also fostered community connection and support for HSAPC's ongoing initiatives.



Highway Clean-up Collaboration

In partnership with Hopi Domestic Violence (DV) and Hopi Behavioral Health Services (HBHS), HSAPC participated in a community highway clean-up effort. This collaboration emphasized the importance of community service and maintaining a clean, safe environment, as well as strengthening bonds between organizations committed to health and wellness.



COMING UP: Red Ribbon Glow Walk/Run Event

Join us for a community event focused on substance abuse prevention! The Red Ribbon Glow Walk/Run aims to raise awareness about substance abuse prevention through a fun, engaging evening that brings together community members of all ages. This event aligns with our dedication to supporting a healthy, substance-free community.





Band members of Modern Chaos

KUYI Music Fest Recap: A Day of Music, Culture, and Community Connection

The day began with warm weather, and as the sun set and the air cooled, excitement buzzed at the KUYI studios. Staff and vendors smoothly set up, preparing for an unforgettable event.

By 3:00 PM, **Modern Chaos** took the stage, energizing the crowd with electrifying covers of Metallica. Following them, the **Hopi Clansmen** brought a lively country vibe, and **Descendant** wowed with hard rock that echoed through nearby villages, leaving a strong impression on all in attendance.

A rare and captivating traditional dance from Musungnovi added cultural depth to the day,

resonating with the audience. To close the night, reggae artist **Casper Lomayesva** performed soulful hits that lifted spirits and brought everyone together.

As the evening concluded, KUYI announced an exciting milestone: the 25th Anniversary of KUYI Hopi Radio, planned for Fall 2025!

KUYI and The Hopi Foundation extend heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated staff, volunteers, community members, and talented bands who made this event a tremendous success. We look forward to creating more memories with all of you at our upcoming celebrations!



Musungnovi Traditional Dance Group



Band members of The Hopi Clansmen

KUYI Unveils Fresh Music Lineup: Gen Z & Gen Alpha Hits Now On-Air!

KUYI Hopi Public Radio is excited to announce updates to our music programming, featuring a fresh mix of Gen Z and Gen Alpha hits. Listeners can now enjoy a blend of country artists like Zach Bryan and Luke Combs, alongside pop favorites like Kanye West and SZA, with viral tracks from TikTok also in the mix.

We'd love to hear your feedback or song suggestions! Reach us at info@kuyi.net or production@kuyi.net.

SMDS: 2024 Indian Day

On Friday, September 13, 2024, KUYI had the privilege of live streaming Second Mesa Day School's Indian Day event on our Facebook page. The live stream received overwhelmingly positive feedback, especially from community members living off the reservation, who were thrilled to watch their school-aged relatives participate. We set a fundraising goal to cover one month's payment for Starlink remote internet service, and thanks to generous donations from Linda Masanimptewa, Steven Nuvakuku, Jai Lakshman, Jim Regan, Aleks Humeyumtewa, and Jenna Horne, we raised \$435—enough to cover two months of service! A heartfelt thank you to our donors for their support!



Tsuku @ SMDS Indian Day



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Reggae Sensation: Casper Lomayesva



Band members of Descendant



KUYI Hopi Radio Staff

Hopi Leadership Program



HLP 7th Cohort Members



HLP Alumni in attendance at the opening reception

Hopi Leadership Program Welcomes 7th Cohort with Opening Reception

On Tuesday, September 24, 2024, The Hopi Foundation's Hopi Leadership Program hosted an opening reception to celebrate and introduce the newly inducted members of its 7th cohort. The 2024-2025 Hopi Leadership Program participants are: **Angelica Abeita**, Songoopavi - Cloud Clan; **Dorian Dalton**, Sipaulovi - Squash/Pumpkin Clan; **Boisiu Dewangyumptewa**, Hotevilla - Coyote Clan; **Cody Honani**, Tewa - Spider Clan; **Veronica James**, Musangnuvi - Pumpkin Clan; **Cruz Nuvayusia**, Oraibi - Rabbit/Tobacco Clan; **Roberta Sequi**, Walpi - Bear Clan; **Alicia Youvella**, Walpi - Corn Clan. The event provided each cohort member an opportunity to introduce themselves to invited guests, including alumni of the program and staff from The Hopi Foundation.

The evening featured a keynote address by Interim Executive Director Hannah Honani, a 2015-2016 alumna of the Hopi Leadership Program. In a strong showing of support, former Executive Director Barbara Poley and several past graduates attended to offer words of encouragement and advice as the new cohort members began their 12-month leadership journey.

Following the reception, the 7th HLP Cohort embarked on their first two program sessions, held on September 25 and 26. During these sessions, participants got to know one another and began identifying the qualities of leadership they believe are essential in the Hopi/Tewa community. The Hopi Leadership Program is thrilled to welcome these eight uniquely qualified Hopi/Tewa individuals and looks forward to an incredible year ahead!

Hopi Youth Leadership Program to Offer After-School Sessions for 2024-2025

On September 23, 2024, the Hopi Jr./Sr. High School Governing Board formally approved a partnership agreement with the Hopi Youth Leadership Program (HYLP) and high school administration to provide after-school programming for the 2024-2025 school year.

HYLP will deliver three-week sessions for 9th-12th grade students, running from October 21 – November 7, 2024, in the Fall Semester, and April 14 – May 1, 2025, in the Spring Semester. Through these sessions, HYLP is excited for another opportunity to connect with students at HJSHS, offering valuable lessons rooted in Hopi cultural values, community service, and positive mentorship. The program looks forward to fostering meaningful engagement with students throughout the school year.

Hopi Farmers Market Partnership Continues

Natwani Coalition is proud to continue its partnership with the Hopi Farmers Market, creating a vital space for local farmers, artisans, and community members to connect and promote traditional food practices. This ongoing collaboration supports sustainable food systems and fosters economic opportunity for Hopi farmers and artisans.



Community Outreach Across Sister Program Events

This quarter, Natwani Coalition participated in outreach at events hosted by our sister programs. Engaging with the community at these gatherings allowed us to share Natwani's mission, provide resources, and encourage participation in food sovereignty efforts. It's been inspiring to see the enthusiasm and support from attendees!



Planning Proceeds for the Hopi Agricultural and Food Symposium

Preparations are in full swing for our upcoming Hopi Agricultural and Food Symposium. Scheduled for the coming year, this event will bring together community members, traditional knowledge keepers, and experts in agriculture to explore topics surrounding Hopi food systems, sustainability, and wellness. We're excited to share more details about the Symposium in next quarters newsletter!

Welcoming a New Intern from ASU

This quarter, we welcomed a new intern from Arizona State University who brings a fresh perspective and eagerness to learn about Hopi agriculture. Our intern has been assisting with various projects, gaining hands-on experience in community-based agricultural practices while supporting Natwani's initiatives.

Checking in with Micro Grant Program Grantees

Natwani Coalition is committed to supporting local agricultural projects through our micro grant program. This quarter, we checked in with grantees to discuss their progress, successes, and challenges. These conversations provide invaluable insights and help us understand how we can further support community-led agricultural initiatives.



Askwali! Kwa'kwai! Thank you for your cotinued support!

As always, we are grateful for the support from our community and partners, which strengthens our collective efforts in preserving and promoting Hopi food sovereignty. Stay tuned for more updates and opportunities to get involved!

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