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**Our Vision**

**Strong, self-sufficient Native American communities**

**PWNA DELIVERS ONLY NEEDED GOODS & SERVICES**

We want to make sure the products we send fit your needs. Please call us if they don't so that we can better serve you!

**Program Partner Highlight**

Virginia's path to working at the Tsale Senior Center started when she decided to volunteer at the Head Start in Lukachukai, AZ. Virginia was a stay-at-home mom and took care of the household while her husband worked. It wasn't until her youngest of 5 children started pre-school that she decided to enter the workforce. Starting out, she worked at Head Start for a full school year. She later obtained her GED and landed herself a position cooking at the Senior Center. Today, Virginia is the Program Manager of the Tsale/Wheatfields/Blackrock Senior Center, where she works alongside Supervisor Minnie Tsosie and volunteer Catherine Benally. Virginia has been with the center for 10 years, dating back to when the



**Virginia Harvey**  
**Tsale Senior Center**  
center used to be located inside the Chapter House at Wheatfields, AZ.

Virginia enjoys working in a field where she is providing services for both younger children and elders and says, "they are almost the same people!" And, she enjoys

taking the seniors on morning walks so they can enjoy the socializing.

Virginia places great value on working with the elders in the community. "Treat them like how you want to be treated" is her motto.

Virginia feels the elders know a lot more than the rest of us do and is aware they've encountered much worse situations than our younger generation have ever experienced. "They are wiser than we are, we need listen to them," she counsels.

Virginia utilizes the Healthy Living and Standard Food services of Partnership With Native Americans (PWNA) to better feed and engage the seniors at the center.

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## Holiday Events

PWNA offers our active Program Partners an opportunity to receive Christmas items for their programs and communities. We have 4 types of products available, including:

- Children's Stockings for ages 5-12
- Santa Stops for ages 0-4
- Elder Bags for senior citizens
- Holiday meals served to the community-wide members during the Christmas holiday

PWNA accepts Holiday request forms from August 1 through the third Friday in October. Request forms are available on our partner site: [www.swnativepartners.org](http://www.swnativepartners.org)

This year, Loretta Chee from the Navajo Chapter, Coyote Canyon in New Mexico, requested the Holiday meal service and hosted a community lunch. Elders attended the event with their families and were able to enjoy a nutritious and delicious meal together. One Elder, Thomas, attended the lunch with his teenage granddaughter. Melissa had mentioned that they might not be able to have a Christmas meal this year, so the community meal was a great solution for her family.



## Updated PWNA Forms

PWNA strives to keep our guidelines, request forms and report forms as current and user friendly as possible. Our team meets to discuss any changes to forms that will help us capture information useful to you and your programs and to PWNA staff. This year we made a few changes on all report forms:

- ★ The upper section now asks for "secondary contact" with a current phone number.
- ★ The bottom section circles the renewal section that you need to complete.
- ★ The right lower corner shows the form revision date, such as: Rev. 05/17.

Revised forms are in your delivery packets and available at [www.swnativepartners.org](http://www.swnativepartners.org) — our partner website Please begin using the new forms immediately, and call our office if you have any questions.

**Call toll-free at 877-281-0808, or local at 602-340-8050.**

## In The Spotlight

Tony first heard about PWNA when applying for jobs through Careerbuilder.com. Now with PWNA for over 10 years. the thing that most surprises him is what we hear from the general public about the reservations vs. how things really are (realities). The thing he finds most challenging is making deliveries during snow storms. He wants everyone to know how much we offer the reservations and how often we deliver (over 5,000 shipments a year).

Tony has met many wonderful partners, like Paula Beasley with Truth of Life Jesus Ministries. He's been fortunate to meet some of the people she serves in 10+ churches on the reservation and hear about the difference PWNA products make. Another partner, Mary Lou Harvey, always makes an effort to greet Tony and will text to wish him a Happy Thanksgiving. Tony will work with PWNA as long as he can because he loves his job and the people he works with, like you.



**Tony Doremus**  
Semi Truck Driver

## Report deadlines

**Due 30 days after delivery:**

Healthy Living  
Community Events  
Bulk Item Distribution  
Food

**Due 60 days after delivery:**  
CUBS

**Due 90 days after delivery:**  
Residential  
Activities  
Animal Welfare  
New Baby

## New in your Delivery Packet this Quarter

1. Always remember, if you as the Program Partner are unavailable at the time of the delivery, please pre-arrange for someone to accept and sign off on your delivery. Drivers cannot leave pallets without a signature—**always have a secondary contact available to ensure your deliveries.**
2. For the safety and well being of our drivers, **volunteers must be available** for each delivery to help them unload your order off the truck. If you have volunteers ready to help PWNA drivers immediately upon arrival, you help us stay on schedule with deliveries to your neighbors.
3. PWNA drivers have many stops in a day and up to 26 pallets to unload. This, along with unpredictable weather, road conditions, and mechanical issues can cause a driver to fall behind schedule. **Keep us informed** if you have changes to office or cell phone numbers so that we can reach you with delivery information and updates. Our drivers are always happy to go above and beyond but, by law, they're limited to 11 hours on the road a day.

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December is not delivered by regular schedule

Last Day to Turn in Requests

Please Note: All Requests or Report/Renewals need to be in by the end of the day on the Thursday that is 2 weeks before your delivery week in order to be processed for that month.

## 4 Directions Development Program: Now Recruiting for Feb. 2018

PWNA is excited to announce our 5th cohort of the 4 Directions Development Program (4D), beginning February 2018. The 4D program is designed for individuals working in tribal communities that would like to increase their knowledge and skills, and supports the development of promising leaders in your community. In the Feb. cohort, we have a total of 12 open seats, which will be filled on a first come first serve basis. 4D is a six-month commitment that is provided by PWNA at no charge. A candidate must commit to attend and participate in all aspects of the program. All candidates will be required to apply and will be notified in advance if selected to participate in the program. If selected, your supervisor must submit an agreement form for you to join the cohort. All participants will be paired up with a Key/Mentor for individual support throughout the program. To learn more about 4D and other long-term solutions, please contact:

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## Product Highlight



We have plant saucers, packages of vegetable and flower seeds, arrow hooks, and tea candles available for you. These household items can brighten up a room, a yard, a place where only weeds grow, or wherever else your imagination can take you. You can use the arrow hooks to attach the plant saucer to the ceiling. Use the plant saucer for holding water or artificial plants, arts and crafts or candy. Use the vegetable seeds in a garden or planter on your porch or outside your door. Use the flower seeds to plant at work or home. Use the tea candles to light up a room by putting them in painted egg shells or making a DIY tea light heater. Ask your partner development coordinator about these items for your next order.



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#### OUR MISSION:

Serving immediate needs.  
Supporting long-term solutions.

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

## Important Deadlines

Education is one of the most important cornerstones of self-sufficiency and quality of life. For this reason, PWNA through its American Indian Education Fund (AIEF) program invests significant resources toward Native American education. This includes providing school supplies for Native students pre-K through grade 12, and awarding scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students, and traditional and non-traditional students such as those returning to college after a long absence, GED students and older people attending college for the first time. We also assist tribal colleges, trade schools and four-year universities with large Native student populations.

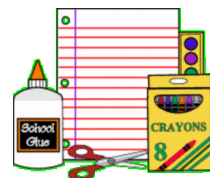
### American Indian Education Fund Application—Deadline April 4th

- ♦ Visit [www.aiefprogram.org](http://www.aiefprogram.org) CLICK the Undergraduate Scholarships page link.
- ♦ CLICK the Undergraduate application link and OPEN the Word document to PRINT it.
- ♦ Call 1-866-866-8644 or email [info@nativepartnership.org](mailto:info@nativepartnership.org) if you have any questions regarding AIEF or our education services.



### School Supplies Service—Deadline May 1st

- ♦ Visit [www.swnativepartners.org](http://www.swnativepartners.org) and go to the Forms tab,
- ♦ CLICK the School Supplies Request form. OPEN the Word document to PRINT it.



For any PWNA request form, visit [www.swnativepartners.org](http://www.swnativepartners.org) or call 877-281-0808.