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Mission: Serving immediate needs. Supporting long-term solutions Vision: Strong, self-sufficient Native American communities

Program Partner Highlight

The Colorado River Indian Tribes (CRIT) Head Start program have partnered with Partnership With Native Americans since August 2006. The CRIT Head Start has their own program where parents earned points and use their points to shop at the incentive store. Parents earn points through participation such as attending a parent meeting, volunteering time for the classroom or playground duty, chaperoning a field trip, helping their child complete homework or reading together. The parents earn points and then 'shop' in the CRIT Incentive Store. PWNA encourage CRIT Head Start to use the CUBS Program, which was a perfect fit! CUBS incentives are now a part of our Healthy Living service.

The CRIT Head Start program has used various PWNA services such as School Supplies, Community Events and Santa Stops. The School Supplies equip the students with classroom and homework items, so they are ready to learn. The Community Event and Healthy Living services helped attract parents to the Head Start Orientation and the Incentive Store.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the Head Start had to stop using PWNA services, but now they're ready to restart with a Healthy Living request. We missed collaborating with Carolina and Cherry and CRIT Head Start and look forward to a continuing our working relationship.

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Carolina Martinez & Cherry Drennan
CRIT Head Start

PWNA DELIVERS ONLY
NEEDED GOODS AND SERVICES
We want to make sure the products we send fit your needs.
If they do not, please call us so we may better serve you.

Partner Goals and Examples

We are including some new information about "Helping Partners Reach Their Goals." As you know, PWNA revised their Request and Report forms in early 2018. The revised forms focus on your organizational/program goals and how we can support those goals and outcomes. PWNA wants to understand how our services impact your program and your program's work. The information you are providing is extremely helpful to us in determining the best way to support your programs. However, there has been some confusion with the questions on the Report forms, so we want to clarify this for you:

- Most report forms ask you to check Yes or No as to whether the PWNA service has helped you reach or make progress toward your organizational goals. Please be sure to select one of these choices.
- The forms also ask you to mark your **TOP 2 ANSWERS** as to how the PWNA service and the distribution of incentives helped you achieve your program goals. Any of the answers will fit, but our database has room for only two (2) of these answers.

| Did the PWNA Service help your organization meet or make progress towards your goal(s) listed on the request? (Check one) Yes \(\) No \(\) | | | |
|---|--|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Please let us know how this service helped your organization reach the goal(s). Select your top 2 answers: | | | |
| ☐ Increased Resources | ☐ Increased Community Engagement ☐ Improved Outreach | | ☐ Improved Education |
| \square Improved Health | ☐ Improved Public Safety | \square Improved Programming | ☐ Improved Results |
| Please provide an example of how this service helped you to make progress to your goals: | | | |

Finally, the report form asks you to write in a brief **example** of how the PWNA service helped your organization/program meet or progress toward your organizational/program goals. In this question, we are hoping for an example of how using the PWNA service and incentives impacted your program. For example, if you checked "Increased resources" as one of your TOP 2 ANSWERS, tell us how this happened (for example, money saved is used toward other program needs, or PWNA products received helped save our facility funding). If you selected "improved education" as one of your TOP 2 ANSWERS, tell us how (for example, our clients are using what they learned in their daily lives, children are reading at a higher level). PWNA understands that your participants like to receive items or that they need the items, but we want to know how the service is helping YOU and your PROGRAM. Please feel free to contact us at (877) 281-0808 if you have any questions on these forms or other PWNA paperwork. The revised forms are available on our program partner website at www.swnativepartners.org.

PWNA Staff Spotlight



Rick Miller
Director of Programs
Material Services

Richard (Rick) Miller has been with PWNA since June 2005 and is currently the Director of Programs for Material Services, located in our Phoenix office. Prior to PWNA, he lived and worked in Ohio.

Rick has worn many hats with PWNA and has a vast knowledge of warehouse operations, community development and our program partners in the Southwest and Northern Plains. He is an avid animal lover and assisted in starting our Animal Welfare service too.

The most challenging aspect of his job has been learning about the many cultures and tribes served by PWNA. Rick enjoys traveling to partner sites to lend a hand with special projects like cooking a meal for Thanksgiving, playing Santa Claus for a Head Start or distributing produce to Elders, so call on him if you need help!

Report Deadlines

Due 30 days after delivery:

Healthy Living Community Events Food Pantry

Due 90 days after delivery:

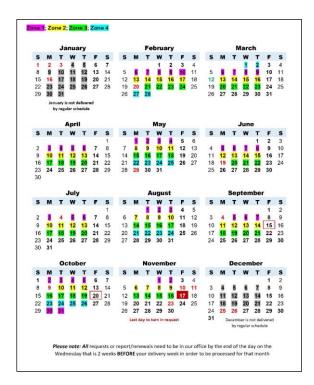
Residential Standard Food Animal Welfare

New in Your Delivery Packet

Please keep in mind... If you as the Program Partner are unavailable at the time of the delivery, please pre-arrange for someone to be there and sign off on your delivery. Drivers cannot leave pallets without a signature—have a secondary contact trained on our process.

For the safety and well-being of our drivers, *have staff and/or volunteers* available for each delivery to help with unloading your order once the driver has the pallets off the truck. If you have staff/volunteers ready to help drivers immediately upon arrival, you help us stay on schedule with deliveries to your neighbors.

PWNA drivers have many stops and up to 15 pallets to unload in a day. 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/cell phone numbers so 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.



There are 4 Delivery Zones. If you have any questions regarding your zone, please call our office.

Capturing the Story

Happy New Year from PWNA Communications! My name is Jarred and I'm PWNA's Program Information Coordinator (PIC) in the Southwest. Put simply, my job is to visit your communities, meet with partners and community members to gather photos and updates for our donors — all depending on the help of Program Partners like you!

From covering seasonal services like Winter Boxes and School Supplies to more routine services like Healthy Living, it's been a joy meeting and hearing from so many welcoming Elders, children and families in 2022. One Nambe participant in our Healthy Living service, Than Povi Elaine Anaya said, "It's real helpful for a lot of us... You're making a big difference in helping our tribes."

In the coming months, I'll be focusing on Senior Centers who received Emergency Food Boxes and Residential Services. I may reach out to schedule time at your facility, coverage of an event or home visits with your Elders. I look forward to working with you all to share your hard work and impact with our donors. Feel free to contact me at jkrom@nativepartnership.org or 602-340-8050 #306 if you have any questions.



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Reminders

January is not a normal delivery month. PWNA hopes to begin making deliveries starting the second week of the month and we will not be delivering by zones. PWNA will send partners delivery notifications by email. If you do not receive a notification, please contact our Phoenix office. We will return to a normal zone delivery schedule in February.

Daylight Savings Time Begins on Sunday, March 12, 2023. Remember to turn your clocks forward one hour!

The American Indian Education Fund <u>Undergraduate</u> and <u>Graduate</u> scholarship application deadline is **April 4, 2023**. Beginning in January 2023, please visit <u>www.aiefprogram.org</u> to apply. The new AIEF <u>Vocational</u> Scholarship application is also available on the AIEF website. If you have any questions, please email, RaeAnne Schad at <u>rschad@nativepartnership.org</u> or call 1-866-866-8642.

Partnership With Native Americans would like to thank you for your valued participation. We look forward to a strong, lasting relationship with your organization.





For any PWNA report/request forms, visit www.swnativepartners.org or call 1-877-281-0808.