



PARTNERSHIP WITH NATIVE AMERICANS®

Mission & Vision

Serving immediate needs, supporting long-term solutions
for strong, self-sufficient Native American communities

Thanksgiving in the Northern Plains



PWNA was able to help some of our Program Partners provide a Thanksgiving community meal to their Elders, families and children. We thank these partners for all their hard work of requesting the Thanksgiving service, receiving the delivery, preparing the food, setting up for and cleaning up after the event, serving the meal, and making home deliveries. We also thank the donors without whom the Thanksgiving service would not be possible. Together, we were able to provide meals for more than 5,000 people in 21 Plains communities.

Remember to send in your completed report form and signature sheets by 12/28/19. If your Elders or families filled out Reflections sheets, please include those with your report.

It's nice that we as a community can get together and mingle over a nice hot meal. It's not often we get to catch up with everyone. -Linda, Wanblee, SD

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Program Partner Honor Roll

Nation	Program	Contact	PWNA Monthly Service	Partner Since
Standing Rock	Rock Creek Grant School	Rebekah Marshall	Literacy	10/01/2004
Standing Rock	Good Heart Community Center	Rose DeCouteau	Healthy Living	07/15/2004
Santee	Head Start	Joyce Thomas	Literacy, Healthy Living	01/10/2005
Rosebud	WIC Program	Mona Swimmer	Healthy Living	02/21/2006
Rosebud	Wanbli Wiconi Tipi	Deanna Bear Heels	Residential	01/22/2004
Omaha	Little Blujays Preschool	Wendy Simpson	Literacy, Healthy Living	09/04/2009

Staff Highlight – Nate Evans

In January 2020, Nate will have been with PWNA for 16 years! Please join us in thanking him for his many years of service to PWNA and to you, our Program Partners. In 2004, Nate started as a Warehouse Associate, was promoted to Inventory Control Specialist and then was promoted to Warehouse Manager.

Nate’s humble personality and team leadership skills provide a good, positive work environment for our staff and volunteers, and reliable deliveries for you. Thank you, Nate!



Important Dates & Reminders

Reports Due:

- 30 days after delivery for each monthly service
- Thanksgiving reports are due 12/28/19
- Christmas reports are due 01/25/20

Missing a report deadline will delay future shipments until your report is received by PWNA.

Request Deadlines:

- The Friday two weeks before your scheduled ship week. *(However, for January 2020, there is no set schedule and any request you submit will be processed for either January or February delivery as most appropriate.)*
- AIEF Scholarship – 04/20/2020
- School Supplies & TOMS – 05/15/2020

Scholarship season is near!

Each year, PWNA's American Indian Education Fund awards scholarships to American Indian/Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian undergraduate and graduate students attending accredited colleges throughout the U.S. Along with a scholarship, all awarded students receive care packages for fall, winter and holiday support, a birthday card and a graduation gift (when applicable). So far this year, we've shipped the Welcome to School and Holiday boxes to 122 scholarship students, with useful items such as school supplies, snacks/treats, toiletries, games and household necessities. It's our way of letting our scholars know we're rooting for them! And as always, we love the photos and thank you notes we get from them!



Spread the word: Apply for an AIEF scholarship if you are:

- Native American, Alaska Native, or Native Hawaiian (student or a parent must be enrolled and have documentation)
- Attending an accredited 2- or 4-year college/university or technical/vocational school within the U.S. and attending school full-time for both the full school year (Fall & Spring semester)



Scholarship Deadline:

AIEF Undergraduate and Graduate 2020-2021 scholarship applications must be postmarked by April 4, 2020. However, we encourage all applicants to submit before March 1, 2020 to receive an extra point toward their overall score.

To download the application, visit www.aiefprogram.org

For questions, contact: RaeAnne Schad, AIEF Program Specialist, at rschad@nativepartnership.org or 866-866-8642.



PWNA staff is here to help!

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Emergency Preparedness

At the Black Hills Powwow-He Sapa Wacipi Na Oskate on October 11-13, PWNA staffed an information booth to help raise awareness about Emergency Preparedness in tribal communities, and Pennington County Emergency Management and American Red Cross staffed tables to provide information on emergency services and disasters. Many PWNA partners and members of communities we serve attended, as well as Native Americans and non-Natives residing in Rapid City. PWNA emphasized the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) trainings that we use to support tribal communities, and we look forward to doing more adult and youth training in the future. Our booth was very interactive, and across the three tables, 200 people signed in for a successful exchange of critical information with communities working to be more prepared when emergencies or disasters strike.

In early November, Joe Tyon participated in *Adult Mental Health First Aid Instructor Training*, which was hosted by the National Council for Behavioral Health. After their intensive training, a written test and a 30-minute presentation, Joe is now a certified Adult Mental Health First Aid Instructor. This will allow him to conduct mental health first aid training for our emergency preparedness partners and their communities in 2020. Patricia Roth of the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate on the Lake Traverse Reservation will be attending the same training next year.

Going forward into 2020, PWNA will be doing more focus groups, 1st Aid/CPR training, CERT training and Mental Health First Aid training with tribal communities. We look forward to continuing to learn and grow with our partners, community members, consultants and trainers, with the support of Margaret A. Cargill Philanthropies for emergency preparedness.

