

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

Program Partner Highlight

Arlette Hager of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe (CRST) Diabetes
Program in Eagle Butte, SD is a program partner of Partnership With
Native Americans (PWNA). The diabetes program provides support,
education, and assistance to diabetes patients throughout the area. They
have worked with PWNA for more than 15 years, using our Healthy
Living and Community Events services.

Clients of the diabetes program receive PWNA incentives once they have participated in diabetes education or an awareness event. They look forward to these incentives, and it helps Arlette get them to their appointments and classes. The incentives have helped Arlette and her program continue to improve outreach within the community.

Arlette sees PWNA as a program resource and is grateful the items provided are high quality. She added that the customer service on all levels is excellent, including the drivers who are "fantastic"! Arlette said, "From the beginning, everyone from PWNA has been kind and willing to help us see our mission through."

Thank you, Arlette, for your service to your clients and the community!

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Arlette Hager CRST Diabetes Program

PWNA DELIVERS ONLY NEEDED GOODS AND SERVICES We want to make sure the products we send fit your needs. Please call us if they don't so we may better serve you.

Featured Service: Scholarships & Career Readiness

Education is one of the most important cornerstones of self-sufficiency and quality of life. It is also a crucial factor in addressing the long-term challenges on the reservations we serve. The American Indian Education Fund (AIEF), a program of Partnership With Native Americans, offers scholarships, literacy programs and school supplies to Native American students, providing them with an opportunity to fulfill their educational pursuits. The scholarship is open to students who are working on their undergraduate, graduate, or vocational degrees.

AIEF receives more than 500 scholarship applications annually and nearly half of the applicants are the first in their families to attend college. Scholarships are awarded to traditional students who are transitioning from high school to college, non-traditional students who did not go to college or who are restarting after a long break. Students with a GED and adults attending college/vocational schools are encouraged to apply.

Beginning in January 2022, the scholarship applications for the 2022-2023 academic year will be available online. The early submission deadline is March 1st – and the final cutoff deadline is April 4th. Please visit www.aiefprogram.org for updates on scholarship applications or contact RaeAnne Schad, Higher Education Coordinator, at (866) 866-8642 or rschad@nativepartnership.org.

In other news, PWNA in collaboration with Google is proud to present the <u>Grow with Google (GWG) Indigenous Career Readiness Program</u>. As part of Google's commitment to supporting Native American jobseekers and entrepreneurs, PWNA and GWG will be partnering with Native-serving organizations (NSOs) to help students develop the digital skills they need to find/land internships/jobs and succeed in their careers. To support the program, Google has invested \$1 million with PWNA to train 10,000 students at 50 NSOs by 2025.

Spotlight on PWNA Staff



Laura Schad
Program Information
Coordinator

Laura Schad is the Program Information Coordinator. She has been with PWNA nearly 13 years.

Laura is best known for taking pictures and interviewing program partners and participants. The content she gathers is shared with donors and organizations looking to support PWNA. Laura also attends events and assists in many ways, from helping partners distribute PWNA products to playing Mrs. Claus at a holiday event.

"I have years of memories with the program partners that PWNA serve. I've met some amazing partners, friends, relatives and even animals over the years, and enjoyed my time in tribal lands. I am honored to be part of your work to enhance your programs and ultimately your communities."

Report Deadlines

Due 30 days after delivery:

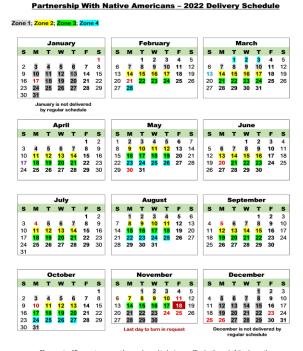
Healthy Living Community Events Food Pantry Literacy

Due 90 days after delivery:

Standard Food Residential Animal Welfare

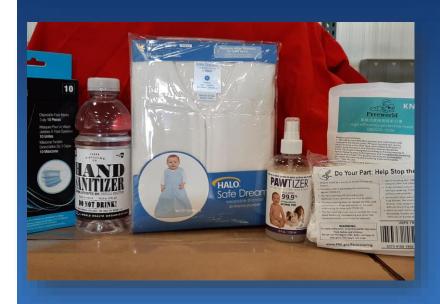
New in Your Delivery Packet

- Please keep in mind: If you as the Program Partner are unavailable at the scheduled delivery time, please prearrange for someone to accept and sign off on your delivery. Drivers cannot leave pallets without a signature have a secondary contact available to help us ensure your deliveries can be completed.
- For the safety and well-being of our drivers, staff/volunteers must be available for each delivery to help them unload your order off the truck. If you have staff/volunteers ready to help PWNA drivers immediately upon arrival, you help us stay on schedule with deliveries to your neighbors.
- PWNA drivers have many stops and up to 26 pallets to unload in a single day. This, along with unpredictable weather, road conditions and mechanical issues can cause a driver to fall behind schedule. Please keep us informed of any changes such as changes to staff, email addresses, 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 are limited to 11 hours on the road a day.



Please note: All requests or report/renewals need to be in our office by the end of the day on the Wednesday that is 2 weeks BEFORE your delivery week in order to be processed for that month

Featured Products



With 2022 just around the corner, we want to let you know we have these items available for your programs. Be sure to ask your PDC about the products during your follow-up call.

<u>Personal Protective Equipment:</u> face masks, face shields, hand sanitizer sprays, wipes and gel sanitizer.

<u>Animal Pawtizer</u>: Antibacterial spray for animals

<u>Baby Swaddlers</u>: Babies can be wrapped in these to keep them warm and help them sleep longer.

PWNA staff is here to help!

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Reminders

January Deliveries will begin the second week of the month and we will not be delivering by zones until February. PWNA will be sending partners delivery notifications by email or a phone call. If you do not receive a notification, please call our office. We will return to a normal zone delivery schedule in February.

Daylight Savings Time Begins on Sunday, March 13, 2022. Remember to turn your clocks forward one hour!

The American Indian Education Fund scholarship application deadline is April 4, 2022. You can download the application form at www.aiefprogram.org. if you have an questions, please call RaeAnne Schad at 1-866-866-8642 or email her at rschad@nativepartnership.org.

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





