

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

## Program Partner Highlight

Lynn Harrison is the Director for the Family Enrichment Program located in Fort Thompson, SD on the Crow Creek Reservation.

Lynn first partnered with Partnership With Native Americans (PWNA) in 2006 and utilizes services such as Healthy Living and Holiday (Christmas) to support her program.

The Family Enrichment Program helps provide speech and developmental screenings for children from birth to 5 years of age. Lyn states the incentives provided through the Healthy Living service encourage the parents and guardians to become educated about important topics and to have children routinely screened.

Lynn has really enjoyed working with PWNA all these years and looks forward to a continued partnership for years to come.

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

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**Lynn Harrison**Family Enrichment 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 that we may better serve you.

## Featured Service: Community Event Service

Many programs are on summer break, but if you are having an event that involves your entire community, PWNA may be able to support you through our Community Event service.

This service supports organizations that help reservations in the Southwest and encourage people to work together toward positive change and community enrichment.

If you are eligible for this service, you can receive incentives to motivate community members to participate in your upcoming event(s). The service criteria have been updated but still support you in promoting your organization's message and achieving your desired program goals.

Partners utilizing the Community Event service must have participants sign the distribution log (sign-out sheet) for the incentives they received and submit it along with the report. Partners must only provide the incentives to participants that attend the event from start to finish. Accurate and complete reporting is essential, and the incentives are not to be shared with another service or program.

Some **examples** of qualifying community events are:

- Health screenings and job fairs
- Domestic animal spay and neuter clinics
- No-cost wellness runs, walks and fitness to participants
- Environmental projects (picking up garbage, cleaning ditches, etc.)
- Trainings and conferences that enhance the lives of elders, children, and adults (orientation, youth camps, etc.)





Always call our office to confirm that your request was received, and if you have any questions, please call us at (605) 399-9905 or toll-free at (866) 566-2472.

# Spotlight on PWNA Staff



Alyssa Hensrud
Program Information
Coordinator

Alyssa Hensrud is the Program Information Coordinator (PIC) for the Northern Plains area. She grew up in Gillette, WY and moved to South Dakota to attend Black Hills State University. Prior to working for PWNA she was the Marketing Manager for The Journey Museum in Rapid City, SD.

When asked, "what does the PIC do out in the field"? Alyssa said, "As the PIC for PWNA, my job is to connect with our current Program Partners and gather their stories on how PWNA is supporting their programs and community members. I travel to visit with Program Partners onsite, as well as participants, for updates on the needs that are currently not being met and the needs that are not. I am part photojournalist and part relaying storyteller."

# 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

Partnership With Native Americans (PWNA) is asking for your help. We rely on the generosity of donors who give either funding or products to assist your program in reaching your goals. To let our donors know they are making a difference in your community, we are asking you to send in photos of participants benefitting from your services and activities when they receive PWNA incentives. Please submit photos with your report. Horizontal photos work best.

We have also attached a photo release for the participant to complete. If you have any questions, please call our office. Our toll-free phone number is 1-866-566-2472 or 605-399-9905. Thank you!



## Frequently Asked Questions

- Q: We are still providing education to our participants, either virtually or through educational flyers curbside. But we're having a hard time collecting signatures for the sign-out sheets. What shall we do?
- A: Please keep track of who received incentives by writing the participant names on the sign out sheet yourself. That will be acceptable for the time being.
- Q: My co-worker, who was the primary contact, is no longer employed with the program. We would still like to receive PWNA products/incentives, but there is a late report. What do we do?
- A: If the secondary contact is still with the program, please work together to complete the late report. If you have new contacts, please call the office at 1-877-281-0808, to discuss options.
- Q: I have a lot of PWNA products/incentives left over from the last delivery. My number served is down. Do I need to send in my report?
- A: Yes, please send in a report. A report is required with every service. If you were not able to distribute or had low attendance, we can give you more time to complete the report.



## PWNA staff is here to help!

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## Reminders and Deadlines

Holidays are right around the corner! Please keep in mind, there is a set time for you to submit a Thanksgiving and/or Holiday (Christmas) request.

- **Thanksgiving:** Accepting requests from July 1 through September 16 (i.e., the third Friday of September)
- Holiday (Christmas): Accepting requests from August 1 through October 14 (i.e., the third Friday of October)

If you need help with this, please call us at 877-281-0808.

\*\*Submitting a request is **not** a guarantee that your request will be approved. All requests are reviewed and approved based on established selection criteria and partner standing with reports from prior requests. PWNA will notify you well in advance about the determination for your request.



