

50th Annual ITCN Convention
WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12

Tribe Formula Grant Funding for Grid Resilience

Presenters: Cory Felder

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Carson 4

As part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law passed last year, the Department of Energy has launched a new program that enables federally recognized Tribes to apply for electric grid resilience formula grants. The 40101(d) program makes approximately \$84.5 million per year available to Tribes through FY 2026. A wide array of grid resilience measures are eligible, including: weatherization technologies, equipment hardening or undergrounding, vegetation management, and distributed energy resources (DER) systems. The program is accepting applications with until March 31st, 2023. This session will provide an overview of the program details and requirements, answer participants' questions about the funding opportunity, and host discussion around local grid resilience challenges and solutions.

The Impact of The Games We Play: Video Game Addiction in Youth & Adults

Presenters: Ted Hartwell

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Crystal 3

This workshop will discuss Gaming Disorder, including its signs and symptoms, current research, and how it can affect both children and adults. Digital gaming's increasing overlap with gambling will be discussed, along with features that may be particularly problematic, and resources for help and clinical training will be shared.

UNR Economic Development Series: Organizational Admin Capacity Building

Presenters: Frederick Steinmann & Daphne Hooper

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Crystal 4

Faculty from the University Center for Economic Development, part of the College of Business at the University of Nevada, Reno, will facilitate a one hour and thirty minute strategic planning session focused on Organizational Administrative Capacity Building. The results of this strategic planning session will be incorporated into the development of a statewide Nevada Native American Community and Economic Development Plan. Session participants will be asked to work in small groups with representatives from their community and from communities within different regions from across the state to develop a series of strategic goals and priority projects for their community focused on Organizational Administrative Capacity Building.

Do I Belong? A Qualitative Study that Provides a Voice for American Indian/Alaska Native Students in Higher Ed

Presenters: Kari Emm

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Crystal 5

This interactive session will discuss a recent study conducted with ten American Indian/Alaska Native transfer students as a pre-dominantly white institution. During the explanation of the findings, stories will be told through the eyes of students who are striving to complete a degree. After exploration of the findings related to the study, attendees will be encouraged to voice their own opinions with interactive exercises and discussion. The overall purpose of the session is provide personal voice for those who are contemplating attending a college or university but are intimidated by the process.

WIC Serving Indigenous Families

Presenters: Angela Adams

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Carson 1

ITCN Women, Infant, & Children (WIC) Program will provide a general overview of WIC and its three areas of focus- breastfeeding, nutrition, and vendor. We will also provide a review of our service areas and allow for open feedback about how to improve or expand WIC services.

Increasing Tribal ISDEAA Funding Under Section 105 (I)

Presenters: Bryan Shade

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Carson 2

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Carson 2

Lippes Mathias LLP will provide an overview of section 105(I) of the Indian Self-Determination & Education Assistance Act. Attendees will learn about the 105(I) program and understand how to access the funding with Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service.

Nevada Green Business Program and What it Means for Tribal Businesses

Presenters: Donna Walden and Erica Gallegos

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Carson 3

Donna Walden, Director of the Nevada Green Business Program and Erica Gallegos, Program Coordinator will discuss how to become certified as a green business program for the state of Nevada. Green businesses help to protect the environment and implement practices that fight climate change. Energy and water conservation measures lead to cost savings and improved operational efficiency for businesses. Waste reduction and pollution prevention practices help to improve the health and wellbeing of employees, as well as the natural environment. Companies that implement environmental best practices find it easier to attract environmentally conscious customers and to recruit new talent.

Business Development Programs: Moving Toward Local Food Security

Presenters: Stacey Emm, Carol Bishop & Lindsay Chichester

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Carson 4

There are a new age of Beginning Farmers and Ranchers on Nevada Indian reservations. This demographic of new, beginning, or transitioning (taking over the farm/ranch from parents/family) farmers and ranchers are seeking training and venturing into agricultural business activities on reservations to provide a local food resource. Accesses to land and resources can be extremely difficult within reservation boundaries. The long-term goal of the Nevada Beginning Farming and Rancher Development Program (BFRDP) is to create and build capacity with American Indian BFRs to own, operate and sustain viable agricultural operations. The long-term goal of the Tribal Advanced Business Training Team is to assist all business development on reservations in the West. The short-term goals are to increase participation in USDA programs including farm loan purchases, gaining access to land, entering new markets, starting and sustaining a business operation, and improving production practices. The Nevada team will go over resources and programs available in American Indians to assist new beginning farmers and ranchers, and new business owners on reservations, including tribal operations already in business or wanting to start a new business.

National Incident Management System & Incident Command System Overview

Presenters: Lynda Zambrano & Jay Martin

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 1 & 2

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Crystal 1 & 2

This workshop will provide an overview of the Incident Command System (ICS) organization and knowledge of the National Incident Management (NIMS) compliance for tribes. This will provide an introductory awareness and understanding of the chain of command and operational structure of managing entities when activated during a disaster by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). This overview session will also prepare participants for the coming ICS courses that Nevada DEM: NTECC will be providing in their upcoming activities, such as the G0402 and the L583 as requested by our Nevada Tribes.

Dementia Friends for American Indian & Alaska Native Communities

Presenters: Casey Acklin & Carla Eben

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 3

This session will utilize the Dementia Friends for American Indian and Alaska Native Communities program to offer an introductory information session that covers the basics of dementia, differences between dementia and normal aging, and strategies to support elders living with dementia. Co-presented with Carla Eben, Numaga Senior Services Director, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.

UNR Economic Development Series: Healthcare Series

Presenters: Frederick Steinmann & Daphne Hooper

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 4

Faculty from the University Center for Economic Development, part of the College of Business at the University of Nevada, Reno, will facilitate a one hour and thirty minute strategic planning session focused on Healthcare Services. The results of this strategic planning session will be incorporated into the development of a statewide Nevada Native American Community and Economic Development Plan. Session participants will be asked to work in small groups with representatives from their community and from communities within different regions from across the state to develop a series of strategic goals and priority projects for their community focused on Healthcare Services ranging from expanded basic and emergency services to more advanced physical and mental healthcare needs.

UNR Tribal Students Program

Presenters: Kari Emm

Day: Monday, December 12

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 5

University of Nevada, Reno will discuss the tribal students program which is a private and federally funded program. It creates a seamless pathway for students starting in high school to college and later to job placement. Through the program students receive scholarships, internships, career guidance, and job placement.

NCAIED: Resources to Grow Your Own Business

Presenters: Yvette Fielder, Kyia Jackson and John Shoraka

Day: Monday, December 12 **Time:** 3:00pm to 5:00pm **Room:** Carson 1
National Center for American Indian Economic Development will discuss

What's Going On Out There? A Nevada Public Lands and BLM Planning Update

Presenters: Scott Carey and
Day: Monday, December 12 **Time:** 3:00pm to 5:00pm **Room:** Carson 2

The goal of this session is to provide conference attendees with an overview of what is going on with the public lands across Nevada. This session will provide attendees with an overview of Federal county-scale lands bills in Nevada, the proposed expansions to the Navy Fallon Range Training Complex and Air Force Nevada Test Training Range, and review of the land and conservation policy initiatives that came out of the 81st session (2021) of the Nevada Legislature and what to expect during the 82nd session this Spring.

Employment/Training Opportunity – Construction Material Technician

Presenters: Theresa Harrowa
Day: Monday, December 12 **Time:** 3:00pm to 5:00pm **Room:** Carson 3

Apprenticeship program training opportunity for potential employment with a native owned company in the material construction testing field.

Establishing a Tribal Service Provider Business for Broadband Internet & Cellular Services

Presenters: Corrine Wilson
Day: Monday, December 12 **Time:** 3:00pm to 5:00pm **Room:** Carson 4

Numu Communications LLC will teach the basics of the current technology for the broadband internet and cellular services including fixed wireless and fiber to the home (FttH) delivery; FCC requirements; current federal funding opportunities to launch your telecom enterprises; and one model to jump-start your own tribal telecom business.

PLPT Pesa Soaname Advisory Group: Transforming the Culture of Dementia Among Nevada Tribes

Presenters: Carla Eben
Day: Monday, December 12 **Time:** 3:00pm to 5:00pm **Room:** Crystal 3

Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe (PLPT) will outline the extensive efforts led by the Pesa Soaname Advisory Group (the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe's Dementia-Friendly Community Group) as part of the broader Dementia Friendly Nevada initiative over the past four years, and will foster discussion amongst participants of how other tribes can get connected and better support elders living with dementia!

UNR Economic Development Series: Education & Workforce Development

Presenters: Frederick Steinmann & Daphne Hooper
Day: Monday, December 12 **Time:** 3:00pm to 5:00pm **Room:** Crystal 4

Faculty from the University Center for Economic Development, part of the College of Business at the University of Nevada, Reno, will facilitate a one hour and thirty minute strategic planning session focused on Education and Workforce Development. The results of this strategic planning session will be incorporated into the development of a statewide Nevada Native American Community and Economic Development Plan. Session participants will be asked to work in small groups with representatives from their community and from communities within different regions from across the state to develop a series of strategic goals and priority projects for their community focused on Education and Workforce Development. Strategic goals and priority projects developed as part of this session could potentially range from increasing access to primary through secondary education, collaboration with local area public school districts, the development and delivery of Certified Technical Education (CTE) programs, and the retention of youth to support broader economic development efforts.

Shaping Our Future: Financing Tribal Energy Projects as a Means to True Sovereignty

Presenters: David Sickey & Lisa Garcia
Day: Monday, December 12 **Time:** 3:00pm to 5:00pm **Room:** Crystal 5

Tribal leaders have many important decisions to make including whether to develop energy projects. This session will inform tribal leaders about the \$20Billion Tribal Loans Program and the Tribal Loans Guarantee Program that can be utilized to develop, own and manage tribally owned energy projects. Learn from the Loans Program Office how this funding can be utilized now.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13

ITCN Family Violence Prevention Program Healing Healthy Families

Presenters: Chance Rush
Day: Tuesday, December 13 **Time:** 12:45pm to 2:45pm **Room:** Ballroom
Day: Tuesday, December 13 **Time:** 3:00pm to 5:00pm **Room:** Ballroom

This workshop will provide

Lakeshore Learning Materials: Self-Care: Strategies To Take Care Of Yourself So You Can Care For Others

Presenters: Kristi Kirinch

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Carson 1

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Carson 1

Self-Care is an important aspect of mental health, especially in demanding fields such as education. This workshop will define self-care, its importance and provide participants with strategies and resources so that they can implement self-care into their daily routine so that they can thrive in all areas of life.

Once-in-a-Generation Investment: Exploring Federal Funding and the Value Consulting Firms Can Offer

Presenters: Ty Show

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Carson 2

With the historic level of federal funding being provided to tribal communities and Native people, tribal leaders and government officials have a unique opportunity to not only improve their communities but maximize the capacity of their governments. This presentation is an opportunity to explore how federal funding streams, tribal community needs, and consulting services can intersect to maximize federal investments and create long-term impacts. Kearns & West is a collaboration, stakeholder engagement, and facilitation firm specializing in stakeholder and community engagement, collaborative solutions, process design and stakeholder facilitation for federal, state, local and tribal clients. The presentation will focus on federal funding and the value consulting firms, like Kearns & West, are able to provide. Breakout sessions will focus on how tribal leaders and governments have used consulting firms in the past and ways in which they can use services to build capacity going forward.

Native American Energy: Planning & Development, Tribal Unity Formation

Presenters: John Lewis

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Carson 3

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Carson 3

State and Tribal Partnerships, Working Together in Child Welfare Cases

Presenters: Fran Maldonado & Sharon Benson

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Carson 4

Recognizing and respecting the sovereignty of NV Federally Recognized Tribes, NV Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) consults and collaborates with Tribal Social Services and Tribal Leaders to create Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) for cross jurisdictional placement of children in state custody whether ICWA applies or not. This session will include some ICWA background information and highlights on the relationship between NV Tribes and DCFS.

BLM 101: How to Negotiate at the State, District & Field Office

Presenters: Wilfred J. Nabahe

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 1

Battle Mountain District BLM will provide a period of instruction on how the BLM is organized utilizing the Battle Mountain District model; additionally, includes information on current DOI policy on co-management and planning demonstrations.

U.S. Census Bureau: 2020 & Beyond

Presenters: Jessica Imotichey, Eric Coyle, Roberto Ramirez, & Nicholaus Jones

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 2

This workshop will provide an update on the detailed data products that will be released from the 2020 decennial census survey; discuss opportunities for the tribal input on planning for the 2030 census, inform tribal leaders and program directors about the now permanent Tribal Relations program.

Indigenous Educator Meeting NV Dept. of Education EPP for Indian Country

Presenters: Fredina Drye-Romero

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 3

Meeting for selected tribal stakeholders who serve as cultural advisors to the project will gather to discuss the Native American Curriculum Enhancement Project and their role the project.

UNR Economic Development Series: Infrastructure

Presenters: Frederick Steinmann & Daphne Hooper

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 4

Faculty from the University Center for Economic Development, part of the College of Business at the University of Nevada, Reno, will facilitate a one hour and thirty minute strategic planning session focused on Infrastructure. The results of this strategic planning session will be incorporated into the development of a statewide Nevada Native American Community and Economic Development Plan. Session participants will be asked to work in small groups with representatives from their

community and from communities within different regions from across the state to develop a series of strategic goals and priority projects for their community focused on Infrastructure. This session will enable participants to develop a series of strategic goals designed to address identified community infrastructure needs and prioritize critical infrastructure projects needed to support broader community and economic development goals.

UNR President's Round Table

Presenters: Daphne Hooper

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 5

University of Nevada, Reno will discuss

ITCN Nevada Mining Forum Part 1

Presenters: Clifford Banelos

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Carson 4

This workshop will provide

From Scared to Sacred: Understanding Specific Learning Disabilities & Emotional Behavior Disorders

Presenters: Carolyn Harry, M. ED

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Crystal 1

This workshop will provide

Language Revitalization: Cultural Preservation

Presenters: Wanda Enos Bachelor & Brian Wallace

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Crystal 2

This workshop will provide

Dementia Friends Champions Training Dementia Friendly Nevada

Presenters: Casey Acklin

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Crystal 4

This Champion's Training will equip participants with the resources and skills to offer the Dementia Friends for American Indian and Alaska Native Communities program within their own communities. As Dementia Friends Champions, they will be able to facilitate the Dementia Friends program as they wish, to raise awareness of brain-healthy practices and break the stigma of dementia.

UNR Economic Development Series: Business

Presenters: Frederick Steinmann & Daphne Hooper

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Crystal 4

Faculty from the University Center for Economic Development, part of the College of Business at the University of Nevada, Reno, will facilitate a one hour and thirty minute strategic planning session focused on Business Development. The results of this strategic planning session will be incorporated into the development of a statewide Nevada Native American Community and Economic Development Plan. Session participants will be asked to work in small groups with representatives from their community and from communities within different regions from across the state to develop a series of strategic goals and priority projects for their community focused on Business Development. Session participants will be encouraged to identify existing business creation and attraction strategies and existing business retention and expansion efforts and to develop a series of strategic goals designed to support new business creation and existing business expansion. Small business development and entrepreneurial-based development strategies will also be considered and discussed.

Sovereignty: Peacemaking & Tribal Appellate Courts

Presenters: Eric Swenson & Cheryl Fairbanks

Day: Tuesday, December 13

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Crystal 5

This workshop will discuss

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

Inter-Tribal Agriculture Council: Soil Science & Climate Solutions

Presenters: Emily Luscombe

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Carson 1

Learn about

Indian Health Service: Certified Food Manager Training Head Start Staff Only

Presenters: LCDR Landon Wiggins, Jennifer Corrigan and LT Francis Park

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Carson 2

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Time: 12:45am to 12:45pm

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Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Carson 2

The course covers critical food safety principles including: personal hygiene, cross contamination, time and temperature, cleaning and sanitizing, and more.

NV Office of Suicide Prevention: Suicide Prevention 101

Presenters: Taylor Morgan

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Carson 3

The objectives the Suicide Prevention 101 training are to increase one's knowledge, understanding of suicide, recognize warning signs, identify risk and protective factors, increase willingness and ability to intervene with a person at risk for suicide. This training will provide insight for interacting with survivors and identify referral resources, as well as help to initiate conversation and reduce stigma regarding this difficult, but important topic.

USDA Forest Service: US Forest Service Project Updates

Presenters: Melyssa Navis

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Carson 4

Learn about

Social Emotional Learning: The Missing Link for Native Students

Presenters: Carolyn Harry, M. ED

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Crystal 1

Learn about

Child Care Development Fund Tribal Consultation

Presenters: Brandi Vizcarra

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Crystal 2

Learn about CCDF Program overview with upcoming changes.

NV Department of Education: Native American Curriculum Enhancement Project

Presenters: Fredina Drye-Romero

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Crystal 3

The workshop will highlight the Nevada Department of Education Native American Curriculum Enhancement Project, a project using the American Relief Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) funds. The first part of the session will share the development of the project and how materials and professional learning opportunities support culturally affirming educational experiences for Native American students. The second part of the session will highlight work done by the Education Northwest, who is providing statewide services to the Nevada Department of Education, Office of Inclusive Education, focused on American Indian and Alaska Native instructional content and curriculum development support using a 5-phase plan. Come learn and participate in this initiative.

UNR Economic Development Series: Cultural Preservation & Development

Presenters: Frederick Steinmann & Daphne Hooper

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Crystal 4

Faculty from the University Center for Economic Development, part of the College of Business at the University of Nevada, Reno, will facilitate a one hour and thirty minute strategic planning session focused on Cultural Preservation and Development. The results of this strategic planning session will be incorporated into the development of a statewide Nevada Native American Community and Economic Development Plan. Session participants will be asked to work in small groups with representatives from their community and from communities within different regions from across the state to develop a series of strategic goals and priority projects for their community focused on Cultural Preservation and Development.

ITCN Family Violence Prevention Program Overall Programming

Presenters: Clarice Hubbard

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Room: Crystal 5

Learn about

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Listening Session

Presenters: Chris Rose, John George, Dusty Jager, Albert Mulder, Mattie Johns, Jessica Gweder, Carson Hicks, and Angela Mushrush

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Carson 1

The program will consist of three parts, a brief presentation from NRCS staff regarding program updates and information related to resources available for Tribes, two short videos, one about a project on tribal and the other about career opportunities with NRCS. The third part of the workshop will be a listening session with NRCS staff to learn more about the needs of tribes related

to agriculture and conservation, interacting with NRCS and any other topics tribal members may want to bring up. The listening session will be conducted in small breakout groups of 5-6 people with an NRCS staff member designated as a note taker. Prior to the end of the workshop, the group will be brought back together for a report out and final comments.

Soaring Birds Solutions: Tribal HR Basics

Presenters: Karla Bylynd

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Carson 3

Learn about

NV Department of Health & Human Services: Crisis Response System in Nevada

Presenters: Misty Allen & Zach Young

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Carson 4

This workshop will provide

USDA Rural Development: USDA Rural Utilities Service and Telecommunication

Presenters: Robert Machado, Gus Wegren and Gerardo Cordova

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 1

This workshop will provide

Indigenous Visioning: Understanding Tribal Child Care Development Fund

Presenters: Barbara Fabre

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 12:45am to 12:45pm

Room: Crystal 2

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Crystal 2

Learn about

NV Department of Education: NV Native Youth Community Project – Key Findings of Year 5 Evaluation

Presenters: Fredina Drye-Romero

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 3

The Nevada State Department of Education's Native Youth Community Project (NYCP) seeks to prepare American Indian students in Grades 7-12 for college and careers. Three tribal groups in two different geographic locations receive support in these efforts. Members of the Yerington Paiute Tribe and the Walker River Paiute Tribe attend school in the Yerington, NV, area. Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone tribal members attend school in the McDermitt, NV, area. In this session, the evaluation of the fifth year of the project's implementation will be presented. Topics include: methodology and data sources used in the evaluation, overview of key project components, progress in meeting annual performance measures, and recommendations for future project implementation. Participants will also learn about Nevada's new NYCP grant. Time will be devoted to questions and discussion.

UNR Economic Development Series: Elder & Youth Services

Presenters: Frederick Steinmann & Daphne Hooper

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 4

Faculty from the University Center for Economic Development, part of the College of Business at the University of Nevada, Reno, will facilitate a one hour and thirty minute strategic planning session focused on Elder and Youth Services. The results of this strategic planning session will be incorporated into the development of a statewide Nevada Native American Community and Economic Development Plan. Session participants will be asked to work in small groups with representatives from their community and from communities within different regions from across the state to develop a series of strategic goals and priority projects for their community focused on Elder and Youth Services.

Pinyon-Juniper Ecosystems: Cultural Meaning, Threats, and Collaborative Management

Presenters: Alexandra Urza

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 12:45pm to 2:45pm

Room: Crystal 5

Pinyon-juniper woodlands are widespread in Nevada and provide important ecological and cultural values, but they face increasing threats from wildfire and climate change. In this session, we will discuss the cultural significance, ecology, and threats faced by pinyon-juniper woodlands in the Great Basin. We will then share recent efforts to promote woodland resilience in our region. The presenters include Tribal staff and community members, scientific researchers, and agency land managers who have been working together to develop collaborative approaches for improving woodland resilience to drought and fire, cultural values, and ecosystem health. The session will include three parts: 12:45pm to 1:15pm: Panel conversation on the cultural meaning of pinyon-juniper woodlands. 1:15pm to 2:00pm: Presentations on woodland ecology, drought-related mortality, pine nut production, and pinyon jay trends. 2:00pm to 2:45pm: Panel conversation on collaborative management solutions.

Language Preservation

Presenters: Stacey Burns

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Carson 1

Learn about

Soaring Birds Solutions: Tribal HR Advanced

Presenters: Karla Bylynd

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Carson 3

Learn about

ITCN Nevada Mining Forum Part 2

Presenters: Clifford Banuelos

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Carson 4

This workshop will provide

AIANTA/NV Indian Territory: Building Partnerships to Increase Economic Opportunity

Presenters: Larry Burton, Sherry Rupert & Ben Rupert

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Crystal 1

Our presentation will highlight the value of partnerships in building tourism programs that are culturally sensitive while providing economic opportunity & development for tribes. This is especially relevant for smaller tribes in rural areas. We will show some of the partnerships that have worked well for us in the past as well as current relationships the possibilities they offer.

Aqua Metals: An Alternative to Lithium Mining – Clean Recycling of Lithium-Ion Batteries

Presenters: Dave McMurtry

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Crystal 3

Learn about

UNR Economic Development Series: Housing

Presenters: Frederick Steinmann & Daphne Hooper

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Crystal 4

Faculty from the University Center for Economic Development, part of the College of Business at the University of Nevada, Reno, will facilitate a one hour and thirty minute strategic planning session focused on Housing. The results of this strategic planning session will be incorporated into the development of a statewide Nevada Native American Community and Economic Development Plan. Session participants will be asked to work in small groups with representatives from their community and from communities within different regions from across the state to develop a series of strategic goals and priority projects for their community focused on Housing. This effort will also focus on identifying specific housing needs for each community represented and participating during this session.

Tribal Leaders Discussion on Tribal Water Rights

Presenters: Stacey Emm & Stacey Montooth

Day: Wednesday, December 14

Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Room: Crystal 5

The Nevada Indian Commission would like to discuss with tribal leaders and staff a position paper on tribal water rights for Nevada. This session will provide an overview of historical and present situations affecting ground water and surface water rights for tribes in Nevada, and explore the successes, challenges, barriers for tribal water resources in a changing climate. This session will guide the Nevada Indian Commission in its process of moving forward to give Nevada Tribes a voice, what consultation should look like, or a process in dealing with state agencies, counties and cities regarding water resources.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

Division of Health Care Financing & Policy: Nevada Medicaid & CHIP

Presenters: Monica Schiffer & Briza Virgen

Day: Thursday, December 15

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm

Room: Carson 1

Overview of Nevada Medicaid and CHIP services with an emphasis on Indian Health Programs including current statistics and recent policy improvements.

Tribal Emergency Management 101

Presenters: Lynda Zambrano & Jay Martin

Day: Thursday, December 15

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm

Room: Carson 2

National Tribal Emergency Management Council & Nevada Division of Emergency Management – NTECC will discuss

ITCN Environmental: Nevada Environmental Justice

Presenters: Cliff Banuelos

Day: Thursday, December 15

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm

Room: Carson 3

Learn about

ITCN Head Start: Learning Environment in Head Start Classroom

Presenters: Maria Warf

Day: Thursday, December 15

Time: 8:00am to 12:00pm

Room: Carson 4

Learn about

Native Farm Coalition & 2023 Farm Bill Reauthorization Priorities

Presenters: Abi Fain

Day: Thursday, December 15

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm

Room: Crystal 1

Gambling is a Spirit that Talks in Your Ear so that You Can't Hear Heart: Problem Gambling in NV Indian Country and Its Relationship to Substance Use Disorders

Presenters: Ted Hartwell

Day: Thursday, December 15

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm

Room: Crystal 2

This workshop will discuss what problem gambling is, its relationship to substance use disorders, resources for assistance in the state of Nevada, and the results of a survey of gambling behaviors and impacts in 11 Nevada tribal communities. It will provide brief screening tools that can be used to help identify those who may be suffering.

Introduction to Federal & State Place-Naming Processes

Presenters: Paul White & Christine Johnson

Day: Thursday, December 15

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm

Room: Crystal 1

The Nevada State Board on Geographic Names assists with the naming of places on federal lands. This workshop outlines the processes for proposing and contesting place names. Additionally, this workshop provides an update on recent federal and state initiatives to remove racist and derogatory names. This includes discussion of the state's passage of Assembly Bill 88, and the U.S. Department of the Interior's Secretarial Orders 3404 and 3405, all of which provide opportunities for Nevada tribes.

UNR Economic Development Series: Natural Resource Management

Presenters: Frederick Steinmann & Daphne Hooper

Day: Thursday, December 15

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm

Room: Crystal 4

Faculty from the University Center for Economic Development, part of the College of Business at the University of Nevada, Reno, will facilitate a one hour and thirty minute strategic planning session focused on Natural Resource Management. The results of this strategic planning session will be incorporated into the development of a statewide Nevada Native American Community and Economic Development Plan. Session participants will be asked to work in small groups with representatives from their community and from communities within different regions from across the state to develop a series of strategic goals and priority projects for their community focused on Natural Resource Management. Session participants will also be asked to identify critical natural resource management needs for their specific community and region.

Increase Your Tribe's Visibility – PR Changes the Way The People Think About Tribal Government

Presenters: Bethany Sam & Bucky Harjo

Day: Thursday, December 15

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm

Room: Crystal 5