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Environmental Justice Guide Helps Youth Create Change on a Local Level

The Smithsonian Science Education Center is helping youth ages 11-17 develop the skills needed to research environmental challenges and envision a healthier, more equitable future. *Environmental Justice! How can we create environments that are healthy for everyone?* is a free guide that integrates inquiry-based science education with social and emotional learning and civic engagement so young people can become active contributors to solving environmental injustices they identify in their community.

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[Energy-Saving Rules for Federal Buildings & New Standards for Consumer Appliances](#)

U.S. Department of Energy announced new building energy code requirements for Federal buildings that will save taxpayer dollars and ensure that the federal government leads by example in energy efficiency. [Read](#)

[California is calling upon Native American tribes to bring back the once-prohibited practice of lighting controlled burns to help prevent devastating wildfires. As part of an initiative announced last week, California firefighters will learn directly from tribal leaders. "We've been talking about these fires for a long time and trying to get people to listen to us, and for decades no one really did," said Redbird Willie, cultural fire practitioner in Sonoma County. "Now all of a sudden everybody is listening."](#)

[Why Cal Fire is about to hire hundreds of seasonal firefighters](#)

By the San Francisco Chronicle, 4/7/22. Cal Fire plans to hire hundreds of seasonal firefighters next week in response to a dangerous confluence of weather conditions that are expected to increase fire dangers across Northern California in the coming days.





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[Imagine entering a deeply altered state of consciousness and traveling to the spirit world... It's possible through the powerful healing energies held in mind-altering and heart-expanding ancestral plants. In a FREE online event with Andean medicine man Puma Fredy Quispe Singona, you'll discover what it means to commune — and heal — with the sacred plant spirits of Ayahuasca and San Pedro.... 1:07 / 1:26](#)

[THESHIFTNETWORK.COM](https://www.theshiftnetwork.com)

[Plant Medicine and Your Soul's Purpose](#)

[Join this FREE video event with Puma Fredy Quispe Singona and discover how establishing a relationship with visionary plant medicines can bring about radical transformation and self-realization — and help you unlock your vast potential](#)

[CNN Biden's extension of the pause in student loan payments would mark the fifth time the government has continued the freeze, without wide forgiveness.](#)

[This mining junior has four prime projects, each with the potential to deliver thousands of metric tons of lithium to a voracious market.](#)

[The global lithium market is expected to grow at a compounded annual growth rate \(CAGR\) of 12.93 percent between 2018 and 2022. The growth in the lithium market is due to the forecasted growth of electric vehicle \(EV\) sales from \\$1.1 million in 2017 to \\$30 million in 2030. However, many analysts are concerned that the supply of battery materials cannot keep up with the demand. For example, according to Albemarle the demand for lithium-ion batteries from the EV industry is expected to grow at an annual rate of 20 to 30 percent through 2024.](#)

From NARF: Native Voter Participation In Montana Protected Through Injunction

A Montana court blocked two state laws that hinder Native participation in the state's electoral process. [Learn More →](#)

Crow Tribe Joins Proposed Class Action

The Crow Tribe of Indians has joined the proposed class-action lawsuit against the Montana Office of Public Instruction et al, for failing to provide every Montana public school student Indian education as promised by state constitution and law. [Learn More →](#)

Tribe and Voters Will Intervene in Redistricting Lawsuit

The U.S. District Court for North Dakota ruled that the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation and individual Native voters have the right to participate in a case that seeks to take away their Native-majority subdistrict. [Learn More →](#)

Navajo-Copper-Popcorn is planted using traditional Dine' dry farming methods at NATIVE HEALTH's Traditional Garden.



NATIVE HEALTH Garden growing popcorn

Did you know that Saturday, **April 2, WAS International Children's Book Day**? Did you know that youth who read the Harry Potter series may display greater levels of empathy and reduce stress according to research?

NATIVE HEALTH has two amazing book clubs, and one of them happens to be the **Young Indigenous Readers Book Club (YIRBC)**! Our book clubs promote reading for fun, social interaction, independence, and Indigenous connectedness. Each book club meeting is filled with thoughtful discussions and cultural teachings. The YIRBC just finished reading Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J.K. Rowling. Whew! We were all so excited enter the wizarding world of Harry Potter and are excited to see what the second book in the series has in store for us. If your child is interested in joining us, great news! We have room for new members in Young Indigenous Readers Book Club! Please contact us via **email** if your child is interested in participating.

For more information on the Youth Resiliency and Tribal Practices programs please contact Britney Joe via **email**. Young Indigenous

CALENDAR

Applications open April 1 - Wy'east Pathway - free 10-month post-baccalaureate Pathway for AI/AN interested in a career in medicine. For more information click [here](#).

April 15 Deadline - NAU's Native American Water and land 2022 Student Summer Internship. Stipend. Travel and housing stipend. For more information click [here](#).

April 16 North Fork Mono Tribe Spring Gathering

April 28 - University of Arizona's Indigenous Law Day. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Virtual and in-person. The event will feature law school faculty, staff, and current law students, who will share tips on preparing for law school, application tips, and info on how to pay for law school. There is an in-person and online option to participate. For more information click [here](#).

April 29 - NAU's Native American Water and Land 2022 Student Summer Internship. For more information click [here](#).

May 13 Deadline - Udall Foundation's Native American Graduate Fellowship in Tribal Policy. For more information click [here](#).

May 16 Deadline - Eleanor Hazelton and Thilda Hartwig Scholarship. Financial assistance to attend college. For Arizona American Indian tribal members and reside in Arizona. Demonstrate financial need. For more information click [here](#).

April 20-22 - 2022 Native Broadcast Summit, Phoenix. In person. For more information click [here](#).

April 22-23 - 41st Annual Flagstaff High School Pow Wow. Flagstaff. For more information call (928) 773-8124.

April 25-26 - Health Equity Summit: Achieving Equity in Evolving Healthcare System. Washington DC. For more information click [here](#).

April 28-30 - Gathering of Nations Pow Wow, Tingley Coliseum, Albuquerque, New Mexico. For more information click [here](#).

April 29 - Dia del Nino - Drive Thru - Pascua Yaqui Tribal Building, Itom Hiapsi Parking Lot in Guadalupe. 5:00-7:00 p.m. For more information call Bridget at (480) 768-2094.

April 29-May 1 - Association of American Indian Physicians 2022 Cross Cultural Medicine Workshop. Crown Plaza Albuquerque.

May 1 - Missing and Murdered Indigenous People Awareness Month Kick-Off. Papago Park, West Buttes Ramada, Golf Course Side, 625 N. Galvin Parkway, Phoenix. 7:00 a.m. Prayer - Wi-Bwa Grey, Councilwoman, Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community. Closing - Dewayne Whatoname, Bird Singer. 8:00 a .m. Run/Walk Start. For more information contact Valaura via [email](#).

May 3-5 - 7th Gathering for Healthy Relations Hybrid Conference. Southwest Indigenous Women's Coalition and Pascua Yaqui Tribe. Hybrid conference. Held at the Casino del Sol Resort in Tucson. For more information, click [here](#).

May 5 - Silent No More. Missing and Murdered Indigenous People (MMIWP) Awareness Event. Arizona State Capital, 1700 W. Washington, Phoenix. 2:00-8:00 p.m.

May 5-6 - AT Still University's National Center for American Indian Health Professions Pre-Admission Workshop (PAW) for health related fields. Two day virtual workshops for individuals interested in physician assistants, dentists, doctors of osteopathic medicine, athletic trainers, etc. Deadline April 20. For more information click atsu.edu/paw-events.

May 10, 12, 17, and 19 - 19th Annual Phoenix-area Indian Health Service Integrated Behavioral Health Conference. For more information or to register please click [here](#).

May 14 - Window Rock Unified School District's 2nd Annual Fighting Scouts Pow Wow. Mudd Avey Memorial Field, Fort Defiance. For more information call Wanda at (505) 879-0649.

May 16-17 - National Tribal Tobacco Conference. Minneapolis. In person and virtual. For more information click [here](#).

May 22-25 - 5th Annual Conference on Native American Nutrition, Mystic Lake Center in Prior Lake, "Decolonizing and Indigenizing our Diets for Health." For more information click [here](#). Virtual and in-person.

May 24-25 - National Council of Urban Indian Health's (NCUIH) 2022 Annual Conference: No More Broken Promises: A Path to Health Equity in Indian Country (virtual). For more information click [here](#).

May 29 - Native American Recognition Day at the Diamondbacks. 1:10 p.m. Diamondbacks v. LA Dodgers. For more information click [here](#).

June 22-23 - Arizona Community Health Workers Association (AzCHOW)'s Annual Conference: The Beginning of the CHW/R Movement". Vee Quiva Hotel & Casino, Laveen. For more information: [here](#).

July 14-15 - 7th Annual Rural Women's Health Symposium. Virtual. For more information click [here](#).

June 17-18 - Four Corners Pow Wow 2022 - Father's Day Weekend. Location: 20 Road 2050 Aztec, New Mexico 87410.

July 17-23 - NABI Nation. Footprint Center. For more information click [here](#).

July 18-22 NABI Educational Youth Summit. For more information click [here](#).

July 18-22 NABI Pool and Bracket Games. For more information click [here](#).

July 25-29 - NATIVE HEALTH's Annual Indigenous Wellness Camp. Held at Mingus Mountain Camp. For Native American youth, ages 8-12. For more information email [Amanda](#).

July 28-31 - Association of American Indian Physicians Conference "Optimizing AI/AN Health: The Critical Role of Tribal Sovereignty for Improving Health Outcomes". Capital Hilton Hotel, Washington DC. For more information click [here](#).

August 9-10 - NB3 Foundation Healthy Kids! Healthy Futures! Sandia Resort & Casino.

August 25-27 - 2022 National Native Media Conference, Phoenix. For more information click [here](#).

October 8 - Native American Bar Association of Arizona's 13th Annual Seven Generations Award Dinner and Silent Auction. For more information click [her](#)

For those who like to plan ahead, Yellowstone National Park is offering an [annual pass](#) in exchange for a \$1,500 donation, part of fundraising efforts honoring the park's 150th birthday. But before you get out those duffle bags and backpacks, the pass is valid for entry beginning in 2172. See what they've done there? The park's "Inheritance Passes" are meant to be used by the donor's descendants after *another* 150 years.

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- [Darwin notebooks missing for 20 years returned to Cambridge \(AP\)](#)



March 18, 2022 Mille Lacs Band Department of Natural Resources Treaty Day Celebration

Meet several of the Department of Natural Resource Directors and employees and hear how they are helping to protect the Band membership's natural resource rights guaranteed through treaty.

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From a reader:

For encouragement, I humbly offer the immortal story by Lone Watie (played by Chief Dan George) in *The Outlaw Josie Wales*:

*I wore this frock coat in Washington, before the war. We wore them because we belonged to the five civilized tribes. We dressed ourselves up like Abraham Lincoln. We only got to see the Secretary of the Interior, and he said: "Boy! You boys sure look civilized!" he congratulated us and gave us medals for looking so civilized. We told him about how our land had been stolen and our people were dying. When we finished he shook our hands and said, "endeavor to persevere!" They stood us in a line: John Jumper, Chili McIntosh, Buffalo Hump, Jim Buckmark, and me — I am Lone Watie. They took our pictures. And the newspapers said, "Indians vow to endeavor to persevere." We thought about it for a long time, "Endeavor to persevere." And when we had thought about it long enough, we declared war on the Union.*

**"Endeavor to persevere.."**

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Methane in Earth's atmosphere rose by record amount last year, US government data shows

Climate scientists say plugging methane leaks and phasing out fossil fuels are necessary to avert catastrophic global heating

Read in The Guardian: <https://apple.news/Ami-DqWsVTCum0tPRKsv2Qg>

Scholarships (T) with May 1 - 15 Deadlines

The Achievement Award Program (TAAP)	\$24,000	05/03/2022
The Alice Mann Civics/ Community Service Scholarship: Promoting Diversity in Civic/ Community Service	\$5,000	05/01/2022
The American Express Scholarship	\$2,000	05/01/2022
The Anthony Muñoz Scholarship Fund	\$20,000	05/02/2022
The Arthur L Salmon Law Scholarship: Promoting Diversity in Law	\$5,000	05/01/2022
The Dingwall Dissertation Fellowship in the Cognitive, Clinical, and Neural Foundations of Language	\$40,000	05/01/2022
The Eye-Bank STEM Scholarship in Memory of James Fabian, Esq.	\$3,000	05/15/2022
The Eye-Bank Young Ambassador Scholarship	\$3,000	05/15/2022
The Ferriss Horticulture Scholarship	\$4,000	05/01/2022
The Foundation Scholarship Fund	\$2,000	05/05/2022
The Frederic Whitaker and Eileen Monaghan Whitaker Scholarship	\$2,000	05/15/2022
The Grange Scholarship Endowment at the Pennsylvania State University	\$1,500	05/01/2022
The Hubbard Scholarship	\$3,000	05/15/2022
The John Lepping Memorial Scholarship	\$5,000	05/01/2022
The Joseph Branch Stem Award: Promoting Diversity in STEM	\$5,000	05/01/2022
The Joseph M. Fannell Creative and Performing Arts Scholarship	\$2,000	05/01/2022
The Laurels Fund Scholarship	\$5,000	05/15/2022
The Lindsey's Family Restaurant and Shon Shadrick Memorial Scholarship	\$5,000	05/07/2022
The Loren Gruber Scholarship for Literary Studies	\$1,000	05/15/2022
The Lucia A. Wright Piano Scholarship	\$2,000	05/13/2022
The Maine Police Emerald Society Kevin Riordan Presidential Scholarship	\$500	05/01/2022
The Paradigm Challenge Meet a Hero Contest	\$10,000	05/01/2022
The Parker Family Scholarship	\$1,000	05/15/2022
The Paula Kovarick Segalman Family Scholarship Fund For ALS	\$10,000	05/01/2022
The Purple Heart Scholarship Fund	\$5,000	05/15/2022
The Ralph Carter Art Scholarship: Promoting Diversity in the Arts	\$5,000	05/01/2022
The SET Educational Fund	\$6,500	05/01/2022
The Tennille Paredes Financial Literacy Scholarship Promoting Diversity in Finance	\$5,000	05/01/2022

The Trotter Project's Farmer Lee Jones Scholarship	\$10,000	05/15/2022
The Trotter Project's Homaro Cantu Scholarship	\$10,000	05/15/2022
The Trotter Project's Pursuit of Excellence Scholarship	\$10,000	05/15/2022
The Virginia Zank Scholarship for Writing Studies	\$1,000	05/15/2022
The Washington Thoroughbred Foundation Scholarship	\$5,000	05/01/2022
The Weston Scholarship	\$1,000	05/01/2022
The William L. Cullison Scholarship	\$4,000	05/01/2022
Thermo Fisher Scientific Antibody Scholarship	\$10,000	05/04/2022
Thomas G. Giolas, Ph.D. Memorial Scholarship	\$1,500	05/01/2022
Thomas K. Besh Memorial Scholarship Fund	Varies	05/03/2022
Thomas Seefred Trust Scholarship	\$3,000	05/01/2022
Tidewater Builders Association Scholarship Foundation	\$1,500	05/13/2022
Tom Olen Memorial Fund Scholarship	\$5,000	05/01/2022
Tourette College scholarship	\$2,000	05/01/2022

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The History All Around Us - Duluth Minnesota

Two renowned authors virtually guide guests to local landmarks, telling stories of life at the western tip of Lake Superior before Duluth, Minnesota existed, and how it came to be 150 years ago — from the Seven Fires prophecies of the Ojibwe to the creation of the ship canal. Marking Duluth’s 150th anniversary, in support of the Duluth ...

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Helen Keller: “The only thing worse than being blind is having sight but no vision.”

Animal Crossing: World's Biggest Wildlife Bridge Comes to California Highway

Katharine Gammon, Guardian UK

Gammon writes: "Imagine cruising down a 10-lane highway and knowing that, high above your head, a mountain lion is quietly going along its way."

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Line 3 damage may be more extensive, tribe says

https://replica.startribune.com/infinity/article_popover_share.aspx?guid=56d9a2ee-07f8-4ba5-8af9-0cc6564b4939 [Reviving Navajo identity, one sheep at a time](#)

Sheep are on the rebound in Navajo Nation, reconnecting the Navajo people to their heritage and identity – and signaling hope and resilience on the reservation.

Read in The Christian Science Monitor: https://apple.news/AI7RS3R_uTRCY5YcqphoJBQ



Ecuador's High Court Rules Wild Animals Have Legal Rights

The ideal conditions for valley fever are wet winters followed by dry summers — in other words, California, where rates of the fungal infection that is transmitted in dust have risen 800% since 2000. **As models suggest increasingly extreme cycles of precipitation and dryness, researchers say valley fever could become a threat across the entire western U.S. in the coming decades.** Scott Shirley, a Paso Robles winemaker who was stricken by the disease, described what it's like. "On a pain scale of one to 10, it was a 10," he said. "The worst pain I've ever felt." [L.A. Times](#)

Air pollution now directly affects 99% of the world

Nearly everybody in the world is breathing in air pollution, says the United Nations. On Monday, the U.N. health agency World Health Organization (WHO) updated its database on air quality. The update provided data on the air quality of over 6,000 cities, towns and villages worldwide. Data revealed that 99% of the world breathes air polluted at levels above WHO's air quality standards. This pollution exposes everyone to a higher risk of respiratory conditions. Global air is congested with

Read in Inhabitat: <https://apple.news/AXPsh9uUoNVmUIRe-RksvdA>

(As someone commented...."Another reason to keep wearing masks." My response: "Yep....permanent wardrobe addition. Replace more often than underwear.")

Las Vegas resort releases over 100,000 ladybugs to attack pests, reduce chemicals

Resort World Las Vegas released over 100,000 ladybugs on Wednesday to reduce pesticide use and take out insects that plague the valley.

Read in USA TODAY: <https://apple.news/Ab6R9jmEpRgGHZaLU4wUqXA>

Mexico to Replace 16 Million Tonnes of GM Corn With Native Varieties & Ban the Toxic Herbicide Glyphosate

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[Tashunke Witko Tiwahe/Crazy Horse Family/ECF Ycc9esterday ap2t o3m:4n4s3oe 16PM](#)
[Makah, otherwise known as Peter Wolf on the rez, was assassinated by agency workers in front of his wife and daughter in 1918, the same year his nephew Moses Clown, was killed fighting for the United States in France during World War One. He was killed because he lost his temper over the government agents stealing their rations of beef and selling them off for their own personal profit. In his rant he told them he was Crazy Horse's younger brother and so they eliminated him. It was a reminder opf how dangerous it was to admit you were related to Crazy Horse around government workers and sympathizers. His story along with Crazy Horse's are told in our book "Crazy Horse the Lakota Warrior's Life and Legacy", our oral history written down for future generations to learn and know. An oral history we had to guard from prying ears in order to keep from being discovered until the time was right for us to safely tell it. A link to the book: <https://reelcontact.com/.../crazy-horse-the-lakota...>](#)

