

## **Saturday, October 19**

1:00 – 5:00                    **NCAI Executive Board Meeting**  
*Room: San Miguel*

## **Sunday, October 20**

8:30 – 5:00                    **Task Force/Work Group Meetings**

9:00 – 12:00                    **Morning Meetings**

### **Tribal TANF Task Force**

*Room: Acoma/ Tesuque/ Zuni*

The NCAI Tribal TANF Task Force will discuss current Administrative and legislative initiatives impacting Tribal TANF nationally, with the goal of highlighting solutions and discovering best practices in order to overcome barriers to the delivery of programs. The Tribal TANF Task Force has consistently supported goals to increase tribal nations' authority to administer their own family support and work readiness programs, and will continue to identify solutions to increase program efficiency.

### **Two Spirit Task Force**

*Room: Isleta/Jemez*

The role of NCAI's Two Spirit Task Force is to assist in the coordination, collaboration, and outreach to Indian Country on Two Spirit issues and to develop and share approaches and solutions to policy issues that affect Two Spirit/LGBTQ community members in a manner consistent with tribal self-determination.

### **Tribal Treasury Advisory Committee Task Force**

*Room: Mesilla*

The Task Force on Tax and Finance will facilitate Indian Country's input on issues within the Treasury Tribal Advisory Committee's purview; organize tribal priorities on legislative tax policy; facilitate Indian Country on developing and proposing solutions to dual taxation; and share information regarding tribal-state tax agreements.

### **Violence Against Women Task Force**

*Room: Ruidoso*

The Violence Against Women Task Force serves as a unified tribal voice opposed to violent crimes perpetrated against Native women. The Task Force will hear updates from key federal partners, discuss the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act and other important

legislative priorities, and share information and experiences related to the crisis of missing and murdered Native women.

### **Developing Your Civic Engagement Plan of Action**

*Room: Navajo/Nambe*

In this session, we encourage people involved in voter engagement and Census 2020 work within their tribal nations to participate in an interactive workshop focused on developing a civic engagement plan of action for their community. Different resources will be shared; tactics for increasing voter registration and increasing your overall count for community will be discussed. Materials will include an afternoon of developing social media campaign toolkits and some sample Get out the Native Vote and Indian Country Counts materials. Please bring a laptop or tablet to this session.

1:00 – 5:00                    **Registration/Rules & Credentials Open**

3:00 – 5:00                    **Marketplace Exhibitors Check-In**

### **1:00 – 4:00                    Afternoon Meetings**

#### **Federal Recognition Caucus**

*Room: Mesilla*

The Federal Recognition Task Force was established to address the interests of all tribal nations, both federally and non-federally recognized, regarding changes in the tribal acknowledgement process.

#### **Large Land Base Tribal Nations Task Force**

*Room: Acoma/Tesuque/Zuni*

The purpose of the Large Land Base Tribal Nations Task Force is to strengthen the ability of NCAI to advocate for the unique issues of the tribal nations with large land bases, and to foster unity and cooperation among all tribal nations to preserve tribal sovereignty, lands, cultures, and quality of life for all. The Task Force will govern its own proceedings consistent with this purpose.

#### **NCAI Native Languages Task Force**

*Room: Isleta/Jemez*

Developments in Native languages have taken place at the tribal, state, and federal policy levels. Tribal nations are taking innovative approaches to revitalizing their languages, and states are adopting Native languages as official state languages. This is an open session of the Native Languages Task Force to discuss Native American language protection and revitalization from tribal leaders' perspectives.

### **Addiction Task Force**

*Room: San Miguel*

Continuing the discussion at NCAI's Mid-Year Conference last June, the Addiction Task Force will showcase a new resource for prevention work, including case studies on cultural approaches to prevention, and youth perspective and opportunities.

### **Violence Against Women Task Force (continued)**

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### **The Tribal Border Caucus**

*Room: Pecos*

Tribal crossings of the U.S.-Canada and U.S.-Mexico borders for traditional, cultural or religious purposes has been a paramount concern of tribal nations split by the invisible lines that divide their homelands and relatives. The Tribal Border Caucus invites all northern and southern border tribes to provide updates and discuss ongoing issues such as travel visas, treaty rights, and searches of tribal regalia or items.

### **Census Create-a-thon with National Congress of American Indians and the Census Open Innovation Labs**

*Room: Navajo/Nambe*

During the Civic Engagement Day of the NCAI Annual Convention, you're welcomed to join the Census Open Innovation Lab for a Create-a-thon to help get out the count during the 2020 Census. In this interactive workshop, you'll take everything you learned about the importance of Census outreach, and work hand in hand with local creatives and tribal census count coalition leaders to develop digital content to reach your community.

5:00 – 6:00

### **NCAI Committee and Subcommittee Chairs Meeting with Resolutions Committee**

*Room: Mesilla*

NCAI requests that all committee and subcommittee chairs attend this important meeting.

6:30-8:30

### **United League of Indigenous Nations Gathering**

*Room: Ruidoso*

## Monday, October 21

- 7:00 – 8:00      **Native Prayer Sunrise Gathering**  
*Civic Plaza*  
This event is a casual gathering. Attendees will hear encouraging stories of faith and strengthen relationships. A water ceremony also will take place.
- 8:00 – 9:00      **Youth: Morning Gathering**  
*Room: Anasazi*

7:30 – 5:00	<b>Registration/Rules &amp; Credentials</b> <i>Room: Hall 3 Foyer</i> Open for duration of the Convention
7:30 – 5:00	<b>Resolutions Office</b> <i>Room: Suites E/F</i> Open for duration of the Convention
9:00 – 4:00	<b>Elders' Lounge</b> <i>Room: Tijeras</i> Open for duration of the Convention

### 8:30-1:00pm

#### **Department of Transportation Consultation\***

*Room:*

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT or Department) requests comments on a proposed rule to establish and implement the Tribal Transportation Self-Governance Program (TTSGP or Program), as authorized by Section 1121 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act. The proposed rule was negotiated among representatives of Tribes and the Federal Government. The Program would provide to participating Tribes greater control and decision-making authority over their use of certain DOT funding for which they are eligible recipients while reducing associated administrative burdens. These proposed regulations include eligibility criteria, describe the contents of and process for negotiating self-governance compacts and funding agreements with the Department, and set forth the roles, responsibilities, and limitations on the Department and Tribes that participate in the TTSGP.

### 9:00 – Noon      **Concurrent Breakout Sessions**

#### **NCAI Climate Action Task Force Meeting**

*Room: Hopi/Tewa*

The working mission of the Task Force is to “document, inform, and support the climate action efforts of tribal nations and Native organizations, and identify and advocate for policies and funding designed to empower their ability to engage in effective, sustainable climate action.” This meeting will be led by the four CATF Co-Chairs.

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**Census Bureau Consultation\***

*Room: Picuris*

Through the tribal consultation, Census Bureau staff will provide tribal communities with further details on the Census Bureau's plans to modernize its disclosure avoidance methodology for the 2020 Census and potential changes to the 2020 Census data products.

**Advancing Tribal Renewable Energy and Economic Development Through Tribal Government-Foundation Partnerships**

*Room: Taos*

The Hopi Tribe, the Navajo Nation, and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) will discuss a pilot project intended to advance larger scaled renewable energy projects to help meet tribal economic diversification needs. The pilot project was designed through the input of tribes at a series of listening sessions, and is intended to meet tribal staff and leadership where they are and help accelerate their projects through the stages where they might otherwise falter. Also, the Moapa Band of Paiute Indians will share their experience working through the federal process to develop its Moapa Southern Paiute Solar Project, a 250 megawatt solar project located on approximately 2,000 acres on the Moapa River Indian Reservation.

**DOI Listening Session – Buy Indian Act Updates\***

*Room: Laguna*

DOI is hosting this tribal listening session to discuss proposed revisions to Buy Indian Act regulations that will, among other things, remove current restrictions and allow the Department to apply the Buy Indian Act to all types of construction.

9:00-10:30

**Building Better Money Habits in Tribal Communities: A Train-the-Trainers Workshop**

*Room: Acoma/Tesuque/Zuni*

Please join NCAI and Bank of America for this special free workshop presenting Bank of America’s “Better Money Habits” financial “know-how” curriculum. Participants will learn the “Better Money Habit” basics, and also will be trained to train others in their tribal nations to use the curriculum to develop stronger financial management skills that will help them and their families grow assets and build wealth over the long run.

Noon – 1:00

**NCAI New Member Orientation**

*Room: Isleta/Jemez*

All members and officers are invited to this welcome session for new members of NCAI and a briefing on membership, committees, voting, and process. This is an opportunity to learn more about NCAI meeting policy and procedures.

Noon – 1:00

**Marketplace Grand Opening Celebration**

*Room: Hall 3*

Come help kick off the opening of the Marketplace with light food, prizes, and special entertainment.

1:30 – 4:00

**First General Assembly**

*Ballroom*

1:30

**Call to Order**

Jefferson Keel, President, NCAI

**Honor Guard**

**Drum Group**

**Invocation**

**Welcome**

2:10

**Welcome from Local Officials**

2:30

**Rules of the Convention**

Yvonne Oberly, Chair, NCAI Rules and Credentials Committee

**Resolutions Process**

Juanita Ahtone, Chair, NCAI Resolutions Committee

2:40

**President's Address**

Jefferson Keel, President, NCAI

2:55

**Chief Executive Officer's Report**

Kevin Allis, Chief Executive Officer, NCAI

3:10

**Department of the Interior Update**

3:40

**Tribal Leader Discussion**

4:15 – 6:00

**Committee Meetings**

**Economic, Finance & Community Development** – *Room: Cimarron*

**Human Resources** – *Room: Aztec*

**Land & Natural Resources** – *Room: Galisteo*

**Litigation & Governance** – *Room: Brazos*

**Veterans** – *Room: Doña Ana*

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5:00 – 6:00

**Youth: End of the Day Wrap Up**

*Room: Anasazi*

Youth attendees please join us to share your experiences of the day, learn about opportunities, and mingle with other youth attendees.

6:00 – 8:00

**WELCOME RECEPTION**

*Albuquerque Convention Center*

Join the fun at the Welcome Reception hosted by the Local Planning Committee. Don't miss an evening of great food and friends!

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## Tuesday, October 22

7:15 – 8:15

### Regional Caucus Meetings

Alaska Area – Room: <i>Acoma/Tesuque/Zuni</i>	Pacific Area – Room: <i>Santo Domingo</i>
Eastern Oklahoma Area – Room: <i>Navajo/Nambe</i>	Rocky Mountain Area – Room: <i>Chaco</i>
Great Plains Area – Room: <i>Laguna</i>	Southeast Area – Room: <i>Santa Ana</i>
Midwest Area – Room: <i>Sandia</i>	Southern Plains Area – Room: <i>Cochiti</i>
Northeast Area – Room: <i>Picuris</i>	Southwest Area – Room: <i>Taos</i>
Northwest Area – Room: <i>Hopi/Tewa</i>	Western Area – Room: <i>Isleta/Jemez</i>

8:00 – 8:30

### Youth: Morning Gathering

Room: *Anasazi*

8:30 – 12:00

### Second General Assembly

*Ballroom*

8:30

#### Call to Order

Aaron Payment, First Vice President, NCAI

#### Invocation

#### Announcements

8:40

#### Red Cross Update

8:50

#### Special Recognition

9:05

**Jamie Stuck, Chairperson, Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi**

9:15

### Indian Country Counts

#### Honoring Treaty Rights: Cherokee Nation Delegate to Congress

Chuck Hoskin Jr., Principal Chief, Cherokee Nation

#### Census Update

Dr. Steven Dillingham, Director, U.S. Census Bureau

11:30

### Tribal Leader Discussion

12:00 – 1:00

### Youth Honoring Luncheon

Room: *Brazos*

NCAI Youth Leadership Awards presented by Ernie Stevens, Jr.,  
Chairman, National Indian Gaming Association.

*Tickets are available for purchase.*

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## **Train the Trainer Workshop: “Grow with Google”**

*Room: Ruidoso*

1:00 – 2:45

“Grow with Google” Applied Digital Skills

3:00 – 4:45

“Grow with Google” Tools for Business Ownership

**1:30 – 3:00**

### **Concurrent Breakout Sessions**

#### **Becoming Visible: A Landscape Analysis of State Efforts to Provide Education about American Indians and Alaska Natives**

*Room: Acoma/Tesuque/Zuni*

This session will showcase a brand new landscape analysis of state efforts to provide accurate, culturally responsive, tribally specific, and contemporary content in their K-12 curriculum. Native educators, school leaders, and policy advocates will hear about the methods, and results of this national landscape analysis, and in addition will discuss what efforts can be done in their state in mobilizing efforts to implement Native education for all K-12 students.

#### **Tribal Food Sovereignty: Leading Approaches and Lessons Learned from Indian Country**

*Room: Taos*

This breakout session will showcase four “best practice” tribal food sovereignty initiatives that have demonstrated track records of sustained success and have developed effective strategies that other tribal nations could learn a great deal from.

#### **Tribal Youth and Juvenile Justice: Research and Resources for Tribal Nations**

*Room: Cochiti*

Tribal youth are overrepresented in federal and state juvenile justice systems, which are not equipped to identify or meet their needs. While they are incredibly resilient additional research is needed to access the scope of roadblocks and produce better outcome for tribal youth. In response, tribal nations have developed innovative practices to support and heal their youth. In this breakout panelist will focus on the landscape of tribal youth in juvenile justice systems today, launch NCAI’s new juvenile justice data resource guide, and highlight resources available to tribal nations to support their youth.

#### **Update on Indian Medicaid Priorities**

*Room: Picuris*

Tribal leaders are proposing a set of amendments to the federal Medicaid law that will provide greater access to and responsiveness of the Medicaid program for the Indian health system, while at the same time reducing regulatory burdens and costs on the States. The amendments are designed to provide equal access to Medicaid resources for Indian health programs and American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/ANs) across all States. This workshop will provide an overview of proposed amendments, an update on legislative strategy, and an overview of how to get involved supporting the initiative.

#### **Tribes in a Transitional Energy Economy**

*Room: Hopi/Tewa*

In this Breakout Session we will have three interrelated panels. Each panel will discuss different aspects of tribal-energy initiatives. The first panel will discuss tribal advocacy to state and federal governments and focus on legislative and administrative strategies; the second panel will focus on industry-scale

approaches taken by tribes, for example, the creation of tribal utilities; the final panel will focus on community-scale tribal projects. In all cases, sustainable business practices will be highlighted.

### **Indian Country Counts: 2020 Census Update**

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How will you answer the 2020 Census? This session will provide information on what the 2020 Census race question will look like and what American Indian and Alaska Native tribal citizens and leaders need to know in answering this question. The session will also include updates on proposed 2020 Census data products, the American Indian and Alaska Native Communications and media Campaign, and the Tribal Partnership Program.

### **Land Working Group**

*Room:*

### **International**

*Room:*

3:15 – 5:30

### **Subcommittee Meetings**

Disabilities – *Room: Tijeras*

Economic Development, Finance & Employment – *Room: Santa Ana*

Education – *Room: Acoma/Tesuque/Zuni*

Elders – *Room: Tijeras*

Energy & Mineral Policy – *Room: Hopi/Tewa*

Environmental Protection & Land Use – *Room: Cimarron*

Health – *Room: Picuris*

Housing – *Room: Santo Domingo*

Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns – *Room: Isleta/Jemez*

Indian Child & Family Welfare – *Room: Cochiti*

Jurisdiction & Tribal Government – *Room: Navajo/Nambe*

Public Safety & Justice – *Room: Chaco*

Taxation – *Room: Pecos*

Technology & Telecommunications – *Room: Mesilla*

Transportation & Infrastructure – *Room: Sandia*

Tribal Gaming – *Room: Laguna*

Trust Lands, Natural Resources & Agriculture – *Room: Taos*

Veterans – *Room: Doña Ana*

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5:30 – 6:30

**Youth: End of the Day Wrap-Up**

*Room: Anasazi*

Join us to share your experiences from the day, learn about opportunities, mingle with other youth attendee, create Health Walk posters, and get ready for tomorrow's agenda.

7:00 – 10:00

**Gala Banquet**

*Ballroom: Brazos*

*Tickets are available for purchase.*

Come enjoy delicious food, and an evening of warm company and pleasant memories. This will be an evening you won't want to miss!

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## Wednesday, October 23

- 7:00 – 7:15            **Youth: Morning Gathering**  
*Room: Anasazi*
- 7:30 – 8:30            **National Native American Just Move It! Healthy Lifestyles Walk, Run and Rally Hosted by IHS and N7**  
*Room: Hall 3 Foyer*  
 15th Annual National Native American Health & Fitness Walk. Come and join leaders as we all “Walk the Talk” and show our commitment to wellness. All participants will receive healthy lifestyles incentives!
- 9:00 – 10:00           **Regional Caucus Meetings**
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| Alaska Area – <i>Room: Acoma/Tesuque/Zuni</i>     | Pacific Area – <i>Room: Santo Domingo</i>   |
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| Northeast Area – <i>Room: Picuris</i>             | Southwest Area – <i>Room: Taos</i>          |
| Northwest Area – <i>Room: Hopi/Tewa</i>           | Western Area – <i>Room: Isleta/Jemez</i>    |

10:15 – Noon	Third General Assembly	Ballroom
10:15	<b>Call to Order</b> Juana Majel Dixon, Recording Secretary, NCAI  <b>Invocation</b>  <b>Announcements</b>	
10:20	<b>NCAI Health Fellowship</b> Bob Burnette	
10:25	<b>Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community Special Presentation</b>	

10:30	<b>Rules and Credentials Report</b>  <b>Nominations and Speeches for NCAI Board Administrative Offices</b> Standing Rules of Order, Section V. A. 3. Nomination speeches shall be no longer than two minutes. Individuals making nominations must state their name, the tribe they represent, and indicate that they are a member in good standing with NCAI. Nominations do not have to be seconded, and no seconding speeches shall be allowed. Campaign speeches by candidates shall be no longer than five minutes.
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11:30	<b>Tribal Leader Discussion</b>
12:00	<b>Lunch Break</b>
12:00 – 1:00	<p><b>DOI Listening Session – BIA Law Enforcement Updates*</b>  <i>Room: Laguna</i>          DOI is hosting this listening session to discuss current and upcoming issues related to Indian Country law enforcement, correction, and court and training programs.</p>
<b>1:30 – 3:00 Concurrent Breakout Sessions</b>	
	<p><b>Building Sustainable Economies: How to Create, Maximize, and Explain Your Impact</b>  <i>Room: Santa Ana</i>          This breakout session will bring together leaders of economy-building tribal nations and leading academics to discuss the keys to building sustainable tribal economies, how tribal leaders need to work strategically to maximize the benefits of tribal economic activity, and the often incredible impact that tribal economies are making beyond reservation boundaries.</p>
	<p><b>The Protect ICWA Campaign: How you Can Help in the Fight to Protect Native Children and Tribal Sovereignty Today</b>  <i>Room: Cochiti</i>          Thanks to the tireless efforts of tribal nations, tribal organizations, advocates, and allies, native children and families prevailed in the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals Brackeen v. Bernhardt case. While this win has been monumental for Indian Country, the opposing parties will appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court. Over the past year NCAI, NICWA, NARF, and AAIA have worked together to create the Protect ICWA Campaign to help coordinate policy, legal, and communications efforts in order to protect native children and uphold the Indian Child Welfare Act. This panel will focus on the outcome of the 5th Circuit ruling and how you can join the Protect ICWA Campaign as we head into next stage of the case.</p>
	<p><b>Long-Term Care Success Stories: Providing for Elders, People with Disabilities, and Veterans</b>  <i>Room: Pecos</i>          Long – Term Care is crucial for elders, people with disabilities, and veterans to receive necessary daily care in a respectful and safe way. This session will focus on strategies for accessing funding, expanding services/reimbursements in communities, supporting caregivers, and how to advocate for long-term care for Indian Country.</p>
	<p><b>Going Green: Industrial Hemp and Tribal Next Steps</b>  <i>Room: Hopi/Tewa</i>          As required by the 2018 Farm Bill, the USDA is drafting regulations wherein Tribes and States may apply to the USDA for approval to administer hemp production in their jurisdictions. In this Breakout Session we will discuss the current status of the USDA regulations and what is next for Indian Country.</p>

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### **Starting and Sustaining Your Tribal Emergency Management Program**

*Room: Isleta/Jemez*

Tribal nations are often the first and only lines of defense when natural and man-made disasters strike Indian Country. When responding to disasters tribal nations work to save both tribal and non-tribal citizens lives but have few resources to build capacity and sustain a working emergency management program. This breakout will focus on ways tribal nations have built and sustained their emergency management programs. In addition, panelist will examine the process for tribal nations to declare a state of emergency to access federal funds and the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program

### **Preparing your Nation for the 2.5GHz Band Auction**

*Room: Mesilla*

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) announced its plans to auction off spectrum licenses in the 2.5 GHz band. The 2.5GHz band is prime spectrum for next generation broadband operations, including 5G mobile operations. As part of this auction, the FCC will hold a tribal priority window to enable tribal nations to obtain 2.5 GHz licenses to provide service on rural tribal lands. NCAI has partnered with Google and Mural Net so that every tribal nation may understand the upcoming tribal priority window and how to apply. For tribal nations that vote to secure licenses, Google will donate legal assistance and funds required to complete the application through a specialty firm.

### **Helping Victims of Crime in Indian Country: From Resource Mapping to Sustainable Funding**

*Room:*

Tribal citizens in Indian Country experience some of the highest crime victimization rates in the nation. When victims seek help, it is hard for them to find adequate resources or wrap around services to meet their needs. Over the past three years, NCAI has worked with partners to identify resources and gaps for victims of crime in Indian Country by launching the tribal resource tool. In addition to the tool, Congress recently appropriated a tribal set-aside from the Crime Victims Fund (CVF) to assist tribal victims. However, there have been roadblocks to assuring that the Department of Justice distributes all of these funds to tribal nations. In this breakout panelist will demonstrate the tribal resource tool, premier NCAI's research reports on victims of crime in Indian Country, and highlight challenges tribal nations have encountered when trying to access CVF resource and ways to overcome those challenges.

### **Sovereign Immunity**

*Room: Taos*

3:15 – 5:30

### **Subcommittee Meetings**

Disabilities – *Room: Tijeras*

Economic Development, Finance & Employment – *Room: Santa Ana*

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Elders – *Room: Tijeras*

Energy & Mineral Policy – *Room: Hopi/Tewa*

Environmental Protection & Land Use – *Room: Cimarron*

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Housing – *Room: Santo Domingo*

Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns – *Room: Isleta/Jemez*

Indian Child & Family Welfare – *Room: Cochiti*

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Jurisdiction & Tribal Government – *Room: Navajo/Nambe*

Public Safety & Justice – *Room: Chaco*

Taxation – *Room: Pecos*

Technology & Telecommunications – *Room: Mesilla*

Transportation & Infrastructure – *Room: Sandia*

Tribal Gaming – *Room: Laguna*

Trust Lands, Natural Resources & Agriculture – *Room: Taos*

Veterans – *Room: Doña Ana*

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5:30 – 7:30            **DOI Listening Session – BIE School Construction Update \***  
*Room: Laguna*  
DOI is hosting a listening session to discuss its plans for a comprehensive approach to assessing and improving the conditions of bureau-funded schools.

6:00 – 7:00            **NCAI Elections Committee Meeting**  
*Room: Santa Ana*  
Each region caucus is asked to send two people to assist in the elections process.

6:30 – 8:30            **CULTURAL NIGHT**  
*Room: Kiva Auditorium*  
All attendees are invited to a night featuring cultures of the southwest region including a live fashion show hosted by the Local Planning Committee. You don't want to miss this!

## Thursday, October 24

7:15 – 8:15 **Regional Caucus Meetings** *(optional)*

Alaska Area – Room: *Acoma/Tesuque/Zuni*

Eastern Oklahoma Area – Room:  
*Navajo/Nambe*

Great Plains Area – Room: *Laguna*

Midwest Area – Room: *Sandia*

Northeast Area – Room: *Picuris*

Northwest Area – Room: *Hopi/Tewa*

Pacific Area – Room: *Santo Domingo*

Rocky Mountain Area – Room: *Chaco*

Southeast Area – Room: *Santa Ana*

Southern Plains Area – Room: *Cochiti*

Southwest Area – Room: *Taos*

Western Area – Room: *Isleta/Jemez*

8:00 – 10:00 **NCAI Executive Board Elections**

Room: *San Miguel/Ruidoso*

Membership must be current by 5:00pm MT, Wednesday, October 23, to vote in the NCAI elections. In the event of a runoff between candidates, voting will take place between 8:00-10:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 24.

8:00 – 8:30 **Youth: Morning Gathering**

Room: *Anasazi*

8:00 – 5:00 **Indian Arts and Crafts Open**

*Foyer*

8:30 – 12:00

**Fourth General Assembly**

*Ballroom*

8:30

**Call to Order**

W. Ron Allen, Treasurer, NCAI

**Invocation**

**Announcements**

8:40

**UNITY, Inc.**

8:50

**NCAI Youth Commission Report**

9:00

**Special Recognition**

**STRONG PARTNERS...STRONG NATIONS**

9:15

**Tribal Supreme Court Project Update**

John Echohawk, Executive Director, NARF, *invited*

Derrick Beetso, General Counsel, NCAI

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9:45 Partner Updates

11:00 **Tribal Leader Discussion**

12:00 – 1:00 **Elders' Honoring Luncheon**

*Room: Brazos*

Come enjoy a relaxing lunch with great company and special entertainment.

1:30 – 3:15

**Town Hall with CEO**

*Ballroom*

3:30 – 6:00

**Committee Meetings**

**Economic, Finance & Community Development - Room: Cimarron**

**Human Resources - Room: Aztec**

**Land & Natural Resources - Room: Galisteo**

**Litigation & Governance - Room: Brazos**

**Veterans – Room: Dona Ana**

5:00 – 6:00

**Youth: Annual Convention Wrap-Up**

*Room: Anasazi*

## Friday, October 25

8:30 – 12:00      **Indian Arts & Crafts Open**  
*Room: Foyer*

### 8:30 – 12:00      **Sixth General Assembly**

8:30 – 9:00      **Call to Order**  
Regional Vice President, NCAI

**Invocation**

**Memorials**

9:00              **Treasurer’s Report**  
W. Ron Allen, Treasurer, NCAI

9:20              **Swearing in of NCAI Board Members**

10:25            **Resolutions Committee Report**  
**Full Committee Reports and Consideration of Resolutions**  
Economic, Finance & Community Development  
Human Resources  
Land & Natural Resources  
Litigation & Governance  
Veterans

11:45            **Retire Colors**

**Closing Invocation**

12:00            **Adjourn 76th Annual Convention**

## Other Meetings and Events

The meetings and events listed below are included to share other opportunities to network and come together on a particular topic. The meetings and events are not part of NCAI's main agenda.

### Sunday, October 20

**8:30am-5:00pm**

#### **FCC Tribal Radio Summit**

*Room: Laguna*

A day-long overview of the importance of radio to Tribal lands and the benefits that flow from Tribally owned radio stations, followed by a discussion of FCC programs designed to foster the licensing and operation of Tribal radio stations, and the legal, engineering and financial considerations Tribes should consider when deciding whether to seek a radio-station license from the FCC.

**9:00am-12:00pm**

#### **Emerging Roles of TEDs/TEAs**

*Room: San Juan*

Tribal Education Departments/Tribal Education Agencies have important roles in the future of tribal nations. TEDs/TEAs have significant opportunities and roles to determine current and future local, state and federal policies affecting the success of tribal citizen students. Presentations will include tribal education codes and importance of acquiring and utilizing tribal student data.

**11:00am-5:00pm**

#### **Governor's Interstate Indian Council**

*Room: Chaco*

The Governor's Interstate Indian Council organization works through state governments to address issues and concerns of Native nations. State Indian Affairs Directors and Commissioners, tribal representatives and state delegates from across the nation will meet to address the most current issues facing American Indians. States are encouraged to participate by sending at least one representative to the meetings. During the meeting, the GIIC may pass resolutions in support of initiatives that impact Tribal Nations in a positive way and offers an opportunity for attendees to network and share information and experiences. State Representatives given provided an opportunity to report on their state initiatives and share examples of positive state and tribal government relations. The agenda provides a forum for presenters to inform and update members on issues facing Indian communities. At the end of the meeting the goal is to come up with new ideas in supporting one another in building stronger positive state and tribal relations.

## **Monday, October 21**

**9:30am-12:00pm**

### **EMILY's List Run-to-Win Training**

*Room: Sandia*

EMILY's List Run-to-Win Training, free to Native Americans who are interested in running for political office.