

Changes to summer youth work program

The Warm Springs office of the Work, Experience and Development Department—WEDD—is offering student summer work to high school and college students. Requirements for high school students:

Must be age 14 at the day of application. Students up to 24 may apply; and must be enrolled in a public school, boarding school, alternative education program, or GED.

The student must have email, cell phone contact number, and emergency contact number. The students must also have reliable transportation to and from work. Call the WEDD office at 541-553-3324 or 553-3328 to apply. An intake and youth status and other information will be gathered. Some of the other requirements:

Provide a school picture ID card, or school transcripts, or attendance record for proof of school enrollment.

Provide proof of being

Native American: This can be a tribal ID card, certificate of Indian blood from your agency's enrollment office or Vital Stats; or form BIA-4432.

Males ages 18 to 24 must be registered with the Selective Service. Proof of this can be a copy of the Selective Service acknowledgment letter; or registration acknowledgement card SSS form 3A; or go to sss.gov/Registration and sign up and print the acknowledgement letter once signed up.

All students must provide a resume and cover letter. All students over the age of 18 must do a background check.

College students

Requirements for college students who are interested in working with WEDD this summer:

Provide proof of being Native American; same proof acceptable as with high school students.

Provide a picture ID

card: This can be a tribal ID card, driver's license, or school ID card.

A copy of Social Security card. Provide college transcripts or proof of currently attending college.

Provide a statement of your intentions for when you finish college. Provide resume and cover letter. All students 18 and over must do a background check.

For any questions, please call 541-553-3324 for clarification.

What to expect

Because of the Covid-19 virus, there are some changes to this year's work experience. Most communication will be done by phone or email. Make sure you have a good phone contact number and an email address.

No job application will be required.

All students interested in the WEDD summer work program must complete over-the-phone intake and answer various questions.

This process will be considered the application process to access services offered by WEDD.

Resumes will be used for employers to screen, interview and select for employment. All students must submit a resume and cover letter.

The required training is as follows: Once your email is received, the following will be emailed to you for completion:

The Youth Work Handbook. This must be read prior to working. A verification form will be signed by potential worker and the parent/guardian if applicant is under 18.

Read and learn the protocols set in place concerning Covid-19.

Once enrolled, you are ready for job interviews with your choice of type of work or employer of your choice.

Employer selection will be limited this year because of the virus health safety requirements.

Wishing Warm Springs a safe and happy July 4

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs will host the July 4 fireworks at the Community Center. The tribes' Covid-19 guidelines—social distancing and wearing masks, for instance—will be in effect.

Out of safety concerns, the Covid-19 Response Team had considered recommending cancellation of the July 4 community event.

However, the team decided that the fire danger would be reduced if the Community Center is a central site for people to light off fireworks. And the fire season is well under way in the region, and the state:

A fire last week east of Madras burned across more than 1,000 acres of brush and grass. This fire was believed to be human caused.

Meanwhile, the Rowena fire in Wasco County at the Gorge burned many acres last week. This fire forced the closure of part of Highway 30, and raised a level-one 'get ready' evacuation notice.

Carmen Smith, general manager of Warm Springs Public Safety, encourages everyone to be especially careful this July, as the Covid virus remains a threat, and the tribes' water situation creates an additional challenge.

July Council agenda

The Tribal Council has a full calendar coming up this month. Here are some of the items on the agenda for July, 2020:

date with branch manager Caroline Cruz.

4: Natural Resources update with branch manager Robert Brunoe.

Tuesday, July 14

9 a.m.: Public Safety update with Carmen Smith, branch manager.

10: Public Utilities update with Travis Wells, department director.

11: Tribal Court update with Judge Lisa Lomas.

1:30 p.m.: Cannabis Commission update with Ronald Roome.

2: Gaming Commission update with Sandra Main.

2:30: Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) Commission update.

3:30: 2021 Budget Forecast with Alfred Estimo and Dennis Johnson.

Monday, July 20

9 a.m.: Secretary-Treasurer update with Michele.

9:30: August agenda/Review minutes.

10: Draft resolutions with the S-T.

11: Covid update with the Response Team.

1:30: Legislative update calls, federal and state.

2:30: Enrollments with Lucille Suppach-Samson/Vital Statistics.

3: May and June financials with Alfred and Dennis.

Monday, July 6

8:55 a.m.: Invocation.

9: Bureau of Indian Affairs update with Lori Anderson.

9:30: Office of the Special Trustee update phone call with Kevin Moore.

10: Indian Health Services update with Hyllis Dauphinais, chief executive officer, Warm Springs IHS Clinic.

10:30: Pandemic update with Covid-19 Response Team.

1:30 p.m.: Legislative update calls, state and federal.

2:30: Tribal attorneys updates.

Monday, July 13

9 a.m.: Fish and Wildlife Committee—On Reservation update.

10: Fish and Wildlife Committee—Off Reservation update.

11: Timber Committee update.

1:30 p.m.: Administrative Services update with Secretary-Treasurer, Michele Stacona.

2: Education update with Valerie Switzler, branch manager.

3: Human Services up-

Hydropanels

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The hydro-panel project was funded by two generous donors through the one2one USA Foundation, an innovative nonprofit connecting donors with causes they care about.

Zero Mass Water's mission is to make drinking water an unlimited resource by putting the power of safe, high-quality water production into the hands of every person in nearly every climate and corner of the world.

The company has installed its Source panels in more than 40 countries,

from the Middle East and Africa to the United States.

The community of Flint, Michigan, where the drinking water had been tainted with lead, is an example of one of the larger Zero Mass Water projects. The plan is eventually to have thousands of panels serving that community.

At the Warm Springs Community Action Team, "We invite you to stop by and fill up your water bottles from our new hydropanel array," Carina said. "We ask that people practice the recommended social distancing and health guidelines."



Jayson Smith/Spilyay

A young dancer joined others at the powwow grounds on June 25, anniversary of the Treaty of 1855, as Pi-Ume-Sha this year was cancelled.

Summer youth work with AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps is now accepting applications from interested Warm Springs youth. The three-month AmeriCorps program begins July 27, with applications due July 20.

AmeriCorps at Heart of Oregon Corps is designed to engage young adults ages 17-24. Members learn leadership and conservation skills through environmental projects on public lands, habitats, and park infrastructure throughout Central Oregon.

AmeriCorps facts:

Crews of 7-8 young people work outdoors on natural resource conservation projects. Projects range from historic preservation and traditional agriculture to chainsaw crews, stream restoration, fencing, trail construction, and more.

Members complete a 3-month term. AmeriCorps members earn a \$275 per week living stipend and a Segal Education Award for college. Applicants must be able to perform field work including long periods of standing or walking on uneven ground, bending, crouching and stooping.

AmeriCorps requires a 3-month daily commitment, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Youth are recruited from Warm Springs and

other communities of Central Oregon. Public transportation is available to Heart of Oregon Corps at 1291 NE 5th St., Bend, and 495 NW Locust Ave, Prineville, OR 97754.

Apply at:

heartoforegon.org

Questions? Call Allison at 541-633-7834.

YouthBuild recruiting in Warm Springs

The YouthBuild fast-track education and job training program is recruiting Warm Springs youth for the next session, beginning in September.

YouthBuild will hold its information sessions

as follows at YouthBuild, 68797 George Cyrus Rd., Sisters:

July 21 and August 25; and September 1, 8 and 15. Call Briana at 928-274-2128 for information.

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