

# New WSCAT program focusing on tech, workforce

The Warm Springs Community Action Team has developed a new Technology Workforce program, currently in the process of capacity building. Sara Dowty is the Community Action Team Technology Workforce Analyst.

“The program is currently focused on researching the technology needs, and researching technology training opportunities,” Ms. Dowty said. “We’re researching local technology companies, and beginning to create the technology workforce program.” Sara explains:

The new program will be training local Warm Springs tribal members in the field of technology. The plan is to create skilled tribal members in the field of technology, with a positive impact in Warm Springs.

“The technology workforce program plans to create a long-term positive change for the local community,” Sara says.

The program will provide training opportunities to increase technology in IT—information technology—and computer skills. The program will also assist individuals in job placement, and will be a technology resource.

The WSCAT Technology Workforce program is planning to create a solar installation, solar maintenance and solar training program.

This may include collaborating with other businesses in the local area to purchase equipment, provide apprenticeships, internships, or other training opportunities.



Sara Dowty, Community Action Team Technology Workforce Analyst.

“Our project will help bridge the skill gap and create a skilled tribal workforce to ultimately assist in sustaining tribal sovereignty,” Sara says.

WSCAT recently applied for a small grant to purchase technology, to be used to create a computer lab area. “We will be purchasing laptops, hot spots, headphones, and other technology equipment that will be needed for a training program,” she said.

“The goal is to create a computer lab area where the Technology Workforce participants will come and attend computer classes to learn,” Sara said.

WSCAT has identified some of the basic technology and employment needs in Warm Springs and will work with low-income individuals to build the skills needed to be successful.

Importantly for now: WSCAT and the Technology Workforce

program are seeking tribal member input.

The survey will be used to help develop the local community-based needs Technology Workforce program: “Tribal member input is vital to creating a program around what the local Warm Springs residents are interested in learning,” Dowty said.

Completing the survey and providing valuable input will be vital in the creation of the new program.

WSCAT’s goal is to provide tribal members assistance by bridging any gaps or barriers that may hinder training opportunities in the field of technology. The information may be used when applying for future grant opportunities to obtain funding for future technology workforce training opportunities for tribal members.

“Your participation in the survey is greatly appreciated,” Ms. Dowty says.

The survey is open for youth working age 14 and over. “It will be particularly interesting to know what technology the youth are interested in as well,” she says.

The Technology Workforce program may focus half of its effort on working age youth to develop their computer skills and interests.

There may be winter, spring and summer computer technology and solar camps, and there may be some digital arts classes for youth as well, as an example.

Regarding the survey: A \$5 gift

card to the Painted Pony will be provided to the first 50 participants (Warm Springs residents) who provide their contact information while completing the survey.

Upon completion of the survey, if you provide your name and other contact information, you may be able to pick up the gift card during open business hours. Your contact information and responses will remain confidential.

The link to the survey is: [forms.gle/yjynMDM9mJbkAiATA](https://forms.gle/yjynMDM9mJbkAiATA)

The link is also available via the WSCAT Facebook page.

The WSCAT Technology Workforce program is planning to host a community input meeting on the project.



The meeting, probably a ‘lunch and learn’ event, is tentatively planned for April. If you need any more information about the program or survey, please feel free to reach out and ask:

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[wscat.org](http://wscat.org)



## Root Feast Rodeo

Warm Springs Rodeo Grounds  
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1:00 pm

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- 3-Man Wild Horse Race: \$300 per team/ \$200 added
- Mini Bulls: \$30 per person/ \$100 added
- Bull Riding: \$70 per person/ \$200 added
- Team Roping: \$70 per team/ \$200 added
- Breakaway: \$70 per person/ \$200 added
- Barrel Racing: \$70 per person/ \$200 added
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- Stick Horse Race: Free (5yrs & under)
- Calf Scramble: Free

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### Call-In's

Entries will be taken from Wednesday, March 1st to Wednesday, April 26th at 5 pm. Entries must be paid by 11 am on the day of the rodeo. To learn more information or to enter you can message the WSRRA Facebook page or call/text: (541) 460-3257.

The Warm Springs Ranch Rodeo Association (WSRRA) is not liable for any injuries, stolen property, or damage.

## Employment with the tribes

The following are positions recently advertised with the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

For information, contact the Human Resources office, located in the tribal administration building, 1233 Veterans Street, Warm Springs.

Staff are available to answer questions related to the application process and can be reached at 541-553-3262 or [hr@wstribe.org](mailto:hr@wstribe.org)

Tribal Member preference is exercised in hiring processes as defined in Tribal Personnel Policy PER 202.

General technician (limited duration). Secretary. Fisheries Technician I. Clerk/Typist.

Juvenile prosecutor. Fisheries Technician II. General staff technician (limited duration). Range rider.

Chief tribal prosecutor. Cultural resource manager. Fisheries Technician III. Conservation properties program supervisor.

Probation secretary/service coordinator. Project Archaeologist/principal investigator. Project manager (limited duration).

On-call receptionist. Senior program community

health representative. Information-referral driver.

Field technician (limited duration). Maternal child health nurse. Soil scientist/watershed planner.

Medical social worker. Personal service assistant. Cook. Criminal Justice program planner. Community Health information specialist.

Hydrologist coordinator. Assorted work experience (adult). Assorted Work Experience (youth). Fire/Medic.

Payroll specialist. Wellness coordinator. Director of information systems. Accounts payable specialist II. Community Health Nurse.

## Jobs with Indian Head, Plateau

The following is a recent list of job openings with **Indian Head Casino**. For details see the website: [indianheadcasino.com](http://indianheadcasino.com)

Cage cashier. Cage main bank cashier. Cage supervisor. Coffee stations attendant. Cook.

Custodian. Director of finance. Employee engagement manager. Executive chef.

Food and beverage supervisor. Groundskeeper/maintenance. Players' Club ambassador.

Players' Club lead ambassador. Players' Club development supervisor.

Safety officer.

Security officer. Server. Slot keyperson. Staff accountant. Table games dealer.

Tule Grill attendant. Tule Grill cook.

The following are jobs advertised recently with the **Plateau Travel Plaza** (see the casino website for details on applying):

Store cashier. Custodian. Host cashier/server. Line cook. Receiving coordinator.

*The Warm Springs Senior Wellness Center is now open and serving sit down meals in the dining room on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at noon. Senior exercise classes are Monday and Thursday, starting at 10:45 a.m. with a light lunch.*

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