

Grand Ronde Housing Department



Opportunity for comment on Grand Ronde Housing Department 2019 Indian Housing Plan (IHP)

Under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, (NAHASDA), the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will provide grants to Indian Tribes/ Indian Housing Authorities for the development and operation of low-income housing in Indian areas. Grants are made to eligible recipients under the Indian Housing Block Grant Program. To be eligible for the grants, respondents must submit an Indian Housing Plan that meets the minimum requirements of the Act, and also submit an Annual Performance Report to HUD, and maintain records for HUD monitoring. The Grand Ronde Housing Department (GRHD) has received multiple grants under this program which were active during 2018.

Comments on the Indian Housing Plan are welcome and copies of this report can be obtained at the GRHD office or by calling 503-879-2401, or 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2401. Comments must be submitted in writing to GRHD no later than 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 8, 2018. All comments will be incorporated into the final report submitted to HUD.

Board seeks community input

The Grand Ronde Housing Board is inviting Tribal members and Tribal housing residents to provide input to assist its members in carrying out its advisory role to the Housing Department and Tribal Council regarding policy guidance. The Housing Board meets at 3 p.m. the third Thursday of each month in the Housing Department conference room, 28450 Tyee Road. Its chair is Kristy Criss-Lawson. For more information, contact the Housing Department at 503-879-2401. ■

Smoke Signals starts own Facebook page

Smoke Signals launched its own Facebook page and is posting its stories, photos and podcasts to that page.

Popular features, such as photo galleries from Tribal events and links to *Smoke Signals* podcasts and stories, are now featured on the newspaper's Facebook page.

"This is part of the continuing evolution of an independent Tribal press for the Grand Ronde Tribe," Editor Dean Rhodes said. "The other two Facebook pages are outlets for official Tribal government announcements and positions, while the *Smoke Signals* Facebook page will be a conduit of information dissemination for the independent Tribal press that was created in January 2017. This also accomplishes a goal of the Grand Ronde Editorial Board, which seeks to create a defined separation between the Tribal government and the Tribal independent press."

Rhodes will be the moderator of the *Smoke Signals* Facebook page, which can be "friended" at www.facebook.com/SmokeSignalsCTGR/.

"Although I will miss having the more than 4,500 friends on the main Grand Ronde Facebook page, I am hopeful that many of them will quickly friend *Smoke Signals* on Facebook so that they can keep abreast of independently reported news about the Tribe," Rhodes said. "In addition, this separate page will give us more latitude to post links of other stories about Native American Tribes and issues regionally and nationally that Tribal members might be interested in reading about."

For more information, contact Rhodes at dean.rhodes@grandronde.org or call 503-879-1463. ■



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