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Newsletter

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- Community Resources
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Owens Valley Career
Development Center



**OWENS VALLEY
CAREER DEVELOPMENT
CENTER TRIBAL TANF
IS NOW SERVING VENTURA COUNTY**

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE IN YOUR FAMILY **NATIVE AMERICAN?**

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES INCLUDE:

- Monthly Cash Assistance
- Employment Services
- Vocational Training & Education
- Culturally Relevant work activities
- Prevention Programs
 - Youth Employment Services
 - Tutoring
 - Youth Leadership Development
 - Alcohol & Drug Prevention
 - Life Skills
 - Culturally Relevant Activities
 - Language Revitalization

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Transportation Assistance
- Childcare Assistance
- Housing & Utility Assistance
- Clothing for school/work
- Tools for work

For more information please
call 1(800)924-8091

TANF Updates



MONTHLY CASH AID DOCUMENTS ARE DUE
ON THE FOLLWOING DATESIN2021:

- January 10, 2023
- February 10, 2023
- March 10, 2023
- April 8, 2023
- May 10, 2023
- June 10, 2023
- July 8, 2023
- August 10, 2023
- September 9, 2023
- October 10, 2023
- November 10, 2023
- December 9, 2023

Cash Aid Information & Reminders

All required documents for Cash Aid participants are mailed as a courtesy. It is always the participant's responsibility to make sure they submit their Monthly Eligibility Report (MER) and all other documents on time.

**Please note-* Due to COVID-19, documents CAN be emailed to the case counselor or site manager. You can also take photos of your receipts. Don't forget we have a mail slot on site for you to drop off your documents as well.

Due Dates

- All MERs are due on the **1st of the month** and no later than the 10th.
- MER's received after the 10th are considered late and will result in a late payment. "Lost in the mail" or "late due to mail" will not be an acceptable excuse.
- If your MER is turned in after the 10th, please remember to complete a 10-day waiver form.
- **MER's WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BEFORE THE 1ST DAY OF THE MONTH, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Reminders

- If you would like to have Direct Deposit, ask your Case Counselor or Program Assistant for a form to take to your bank. This will help you receive your TANF payments in a more timely manner.
- ALL CHECKS WILL BE MAILED
- Any and all events you see in this newsletter, that are facilitated by OV CDC (TANF/Family Lit./KIEC), are countable participation hours if approved to be on your FSSP. If you're not sure you've been approved or would like to be approved, please make an appointment with your Case Counselor before participating .
- Please provide at least a 24 hour notice when requesting a Benefit Summary or any other documents from your file.



When Submitting your MER:

- Please remember to fill your MER out completely and sign/date
- Remember to submit proof of income (if applicable)
- Contact your Case Counselor (Magdalena Rodriguez) at 805.676.0750

When Submitting Supportive Service Requests(SSRs):

- **Please fill out form completely, including amount and provide a description.**
- **Remember you must submit receipts**
- PLEASE be sure to PRINT your FIRST and LAST NAME on EACH RECEIPT you are submitting

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New products. Latest rollbacks.
Sign up at Walmart.com/email
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Non-Recurring Short Term Benefits

Have you recently lost a job or had your hours reduced by your employer due to the COVID-19 pandemic? OVCDC may be able to help you meet your emergency needs.

In order to be eligible, families must meet the following criteria:

- Be an American Indian/Alaska Native family residing in Fresno, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Mono, Tulare or Ventura counties.
- Have monthly income at or below 300% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines:

Family Size	Monthly Income
1	3,398
2	4,578
3	5,758
4	6,938
5	8,118
6	9,298
7	10,478
8	11,658
9	12,051
10	12,444

2022 Federal Poverty Guidelines

- Provide verification of the need being requested. Examples include:
 - Short term mortgage or rental assistance
 - Costs for virtual learning for employment or school
 - Emergency energy assistance

Please visit our [website](#) to download a TANF intake application or call your nearest OVCDC office for further assistance.

Owens Valley Career Development Center

OVCDC is a Tribal organization providing Career Education, Family Literacy, Indigenous Language, Early Head Start and Temporary Assistance services in seven California Counties: Inyo, Mono, Kern, Tulare, Kings, Fresno and Ventura. We are a dedicated Tribal Organization operating under a consortium of Sovereign Nations providing the opportunity for improvement in the quality of life by focusing on education and self-sufficiency while protecting, preserving and promoting our cultures.

**For current OVCDC Employment Opportunities,
RFP and Contract Opportunities Visit:**

www.ovcdc.com

Or Contact us:

[1-800-924-8091](tel:1-800-924-8091)

**Employment and Job Descriptions:
hr@ovcdc.com**

**RFP's and Contracts:
contracts@ovcdc.com**



Indian preference shall apply pursuant to the prevailing Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance and the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act 25 U.S.C § 45, § 46, & §§ 450, et seq, see also 25 CFR 276.13 and other relevant laws.

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Apache, & Yaqui



Am I eligible for benefits?

Ventura County
2-1-1
Call - Click - Text

Call 2-1-1 or click here to find out if you are likely eligible for help with food, utility payments, and other benefit programs.



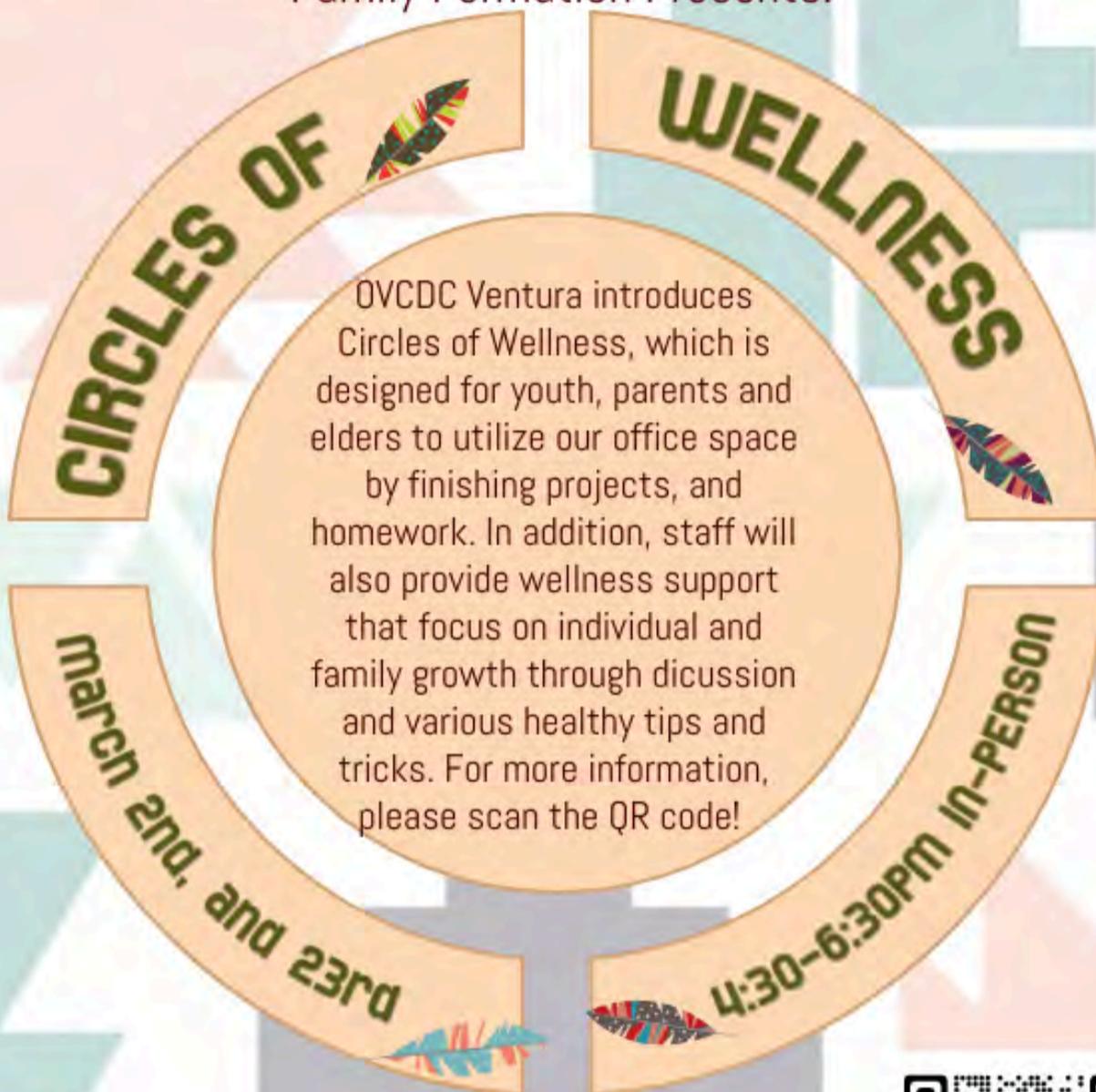
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OVCDC Ventura
Family Formation Presents:



For questions, please call our office at (805)676-0750



OVCDC Ventura
Family Formation Through Cultural
Preservation Presents:



Plant Walk!

March
4, 2023

10:00am-12:00pm

In-person
event

Walk and Talk!

Join us Saturday morning at California State University of Channel Islands, where we will be conducting a Native Plant Walk! This will be a great opportunity for families to learn about plants and the plant identification process. For more questions regarding the workshop, or transportation, please email sgambala@ovcdc.com

Registration:



OVCDC Ventura
Family Formation Through Cultural Preservation



RAISING AWARENESS FOR THE MISSING, MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN

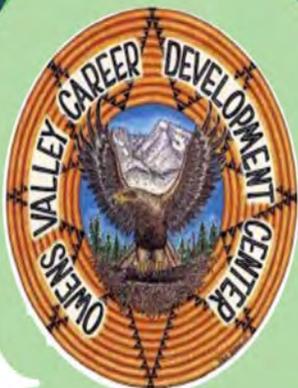


Join the Ventura staff on March 7th and 8th to bring awareness to the epidemic of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women.

We are creating art, and t-shirts to honor and symbolize the women who were stolen. We are asking you to create your own designs, and expression to shed light on this important movement.



For more information, please scan the QR code.



OVCDC VENTURA FAMILY NIGHT!

MARCH 17, 2023
4:00 TO 6:00 PM
BEL ARTS FACTORY IN VENTURA

Family Formation

STARTING
FRIDAY, OVCDC VENTURA
WILL BE HOSTING
MONTHLY
FAMILY NIGHTS
AT BEL ARTS FACTORY!

Through Cultural Preservation

2/17 WILL BE TRADITIONAL GAME NIGHT

- I like Natives who....
- and
- Walnut Dice



4:00pm-6:00pm
Bel Arts Factory
432 N Ventura Ave,
Ventura CA 93001



DINNER WILL BE
CATERED
FROM RUBIO'S



FOR MARCH 17, DON'T FORGET
TO WEAR GREEN!
SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER!





**OVCDC Ventura
Pregnancy Prevention
Walking in Two Worlds
Presents**

AJCC TOUR

American Job Center of California offers a variety of services to help adults and youth find employment, and build their careers. If you are interested in learning the different opportunities, sign up with OVCDC Ventura for a tour at AJCC!



Date and time will be determined soon! However you can scan the QR code to put yourself on the waitlist.

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Ventura Prevention Calendar



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 FF: Circles of Wellness 4:30-6:30 pm	3	4 FF: Cultural Preservation 10:00 am-12:00 pm
5	6	7 FF: Cultural Preservation 5:00-6:30 pm	8 FF: Cultural Preservation 4:30 pm – 7:30 pm	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 FF: Cultural Preservation 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	18
19	20	21	22	23 FF: Circles of Wellness 4:30-6:30 pm	24	25
26 PP: Walking in Two Worlds Time: TBD	27	28	29	30	31	