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BISHOP TANF NEWSLETTER

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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

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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*Domestic Violence Awareness
Month*

-Honoring Survivors Lost and Present



CASH AID INFORMATION

2nd Mandatory Cash Aid Update Meeting

In order to qualify for Nov 2023 Seasonal Support, you must attend the Final Mandatory Cash Aid Update Meeting, October 12, 2023.

October 12th, 5:00 pm
Tuniwa Nobi Classroom
*No Children (please make arrangements for child care)

ALL SCHOOL CLOTHING ALLOWANCE RECEIPTS ARE DUE!

Please fill out MER's Completely

Please Sign All Documents

Please fill out all WPH's accurately

MER DUE Dates

- Oct 10th
- Nov 10th
- Dec 8th

SHORT TERM BENEFITS

Contact Bishop TANF today to determine your eligibility. (760) 873-5107



Non-Recurring Short Term Benefits

Have you recently experienced an emergency crisis or natural disaster situation? If so, OVDC, may be able to assist in the short term.

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	2,685
2	4,930
3	6,935
4	7,500
5	8,785
6	10,070
7	11,355
8	12,640
9	13,925
10	15,210

- Provide verification of the need being requested. Examples include:
 - Short term mortgage or rental assistance
 - Short term utility or energy assistance
 - Clothing allowance
 - Other assistance that may be necessary due to your crisis situation

View our website at www.ovdc.ca.gov for more information.

Qualifications:

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

1. Have a current TANF Intake Application on file.
2. Have total verified family income equal to or less than 300% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.
3. Provide verification of the specific crisis and demonstrate an established need for the short term benefit being requested. Examples of short term benefits include but are not limited to:
 - a. Short-term mortgage or rental assistance for families who have lost their home to a natural disaster or lost employment due to a communicable disease pandemic.
 - b. Costs associated with virtual learning for families who have lost employment due to a communicable disease pandemic.
 - c. Short-term utility and energy assistance to families who have lost employment due to natural disaster.
 - d. Clothing allowances for families who have lost their possessions due to a natural disaster.
 - e. Family support services to deal with traumatic events such as a natural disaster or communicable disease pandemic.
4. Emergency assistance will not exceed 4 months from the start of the crisis situation.

Halloween Safety Checklist

- Carry a flashlight with fresh batteries or glow stick
- Ensure masks do not obscure vision
- Add reflective tape to costumes and accessories for better visibility
- Avoid costumes that are too long as they might cause tripping
- No hard accessories (they should be made of soft foam with no sharp edges)
- Have an easy-to-carry Halloween Candy Bag
- Always have a responsible adult walk with children
- Only visit familiar areas and neighborhoods
- Never trick-or-treat alone
- Be cautious of jack o'lantern flames at houses while trick-or-treating
- Walk, don't run!
- Never enter a stranger's home or car
- Cross streets only at corners or crosswalks
- Stay on sidewalks or walkways
- Never eat unwrapped candy or food
- Bring all candy home to be inspected by an adult
- Notify law enforcement authorities of any suspicious or unlawful activity



FF Building Hiimu through Healthy Relationships

Fall Door Wreaths

Dinner Provided
Ages 12 and up



October 10th, 2023
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Bishop TANF

Please contact Bishop TANF
to sign up (760) 873-5107



Cash Aid

Update Meeting



Attendance is Mandatory for November 2023 Seasonal Support

Date: October 12, 2023

Time: 5:00pm-7:00pm

Location: Tuniwa Nobu Classroom

- **POLICY UPDATES**
- **PROGRAM UPDATES**
- **BENEFIT UPDATES**
- **PAPERWORK OVERVIEW**
- **GUEST PRESENTATIONS**
- **TRIBAL PROGRAM UPDATES**

Please call your Family Advocate to sign up (760) 873-5107.



FREE TABLET & INTERNET

SCAN OR CLICK ON QR CODE TO APPLY



Public Wireless is committed to providing no cost tablets and internet to as many families as possible.

Here are a few ways you can qualify:
Lower income, government program participants (SSI, Medicaid, WIC, SNAP, FPHA, Lifeline, etc.) K-12 students attending schools that are CEP recipients or on Free or Reduced lunch programs, and College students with a Pell Grant. There are many other ways to qualify.

There is no risk or obligation to apply.

You will never receive a bill for the internet service. The tablet is yours to keep forever with no obligations or commitments.

FRIENDS & FAMILY ARE WELCOME TO ENROLL



- ✓ NO COST 10.1 inch Tablet with a Hardcase Cover and Screen Protector.
- ✓ NO COST SIM Card that provides 24/7 LTE Broadband Internet Service. Does NOT need WIFI access.
- ✓ Both SIM Card and 10.1 inch Tablet are FREE with NO Strings Attached for Qualified ACP (Affordable Connectivity Program) Applicants.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS PLEASE CALL 1.800.286.5380



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Tutuwapi Library

Month of October

**OPEN TO COMMUNITY BY
APPOINTMENT ONLY
CALL TUNIWA NOBI
760/872-2115
TO ARRANGE A VISIT**

Healthy Relationships Strengthens Family Formation

**FALL FAMILY BAGS
(BENTON FAMILIES)**

1 BAG PER FAMILY
FALL BAKING
ITEMS
1 COOK BOOK

**-DELIVERY OR PICK UP ONLY
-RESERVE YOUR TIME**

**Please contact Bishop TANF to
sign up (760) 873-5107.**



PREGNANCY PREVENTION BASKETBALL AGAINST ALCOHOL & DRUGS

REGISTER NOW

Registration
Packets **MUST BE**
turned in by
November 1, 2023
by 12:00 PM.



**BISHOP TANF
BASKETBALL
CO-ED LEAGUE**

AGES 1ST THROUGH 8TH GRADE

Divisions: 1st-2nd, 3rd-4th, 5th-6th, 7th-8th

- *Open to all interested youth, boys and girls of all skill levels.
- *There is NO participation Fee for families who have 1 Native American in their household.
- *Individuals who do NOT meet the prevention eligibility criteria will be charged a fee of \$40.

(Payment to be made by cash or check to OVCDC, P.O Box 847 Bishop CA at the TANF office at 2574 Diaz LN)

A basketball clinic will take place November 18th & 19th, 2023.

Please refer to calendar for division times.

Registration forms are available at the Tribal TANF Office located at 2574 Diaz Lane, Bishop and online at www.ovcdc.com.

Please note* Events may be changed and/or cancelled due to emergency circumstances. Please keep an eye out for all updates via our OVCDC Facebook page as well as our website. www.ovcdc.com.

Contact Site
Manager
Ambrosia Stone
for more
information at
(760) 873-5107.

Tuniwa Nobi Family Literacy Program

October Adult Education

Don't Be Scared!

Let Tuniwa Nobi help you!

GED

Driver License

First Aid/CPR

CALL 760/872-2115 TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TODAY IF YOU DARE



OVCDC EARLY HEAD START



BISHOP

OCTOBER 2023

APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLLMENT

Applications for 2023-2024 school year continues to be accepted throughout the year. EHS is a comprehensive early learning program for children 6 weeks-36 months old. The EHS program delivers early learning/education, health nutrition, and family support services.

IMPORTANT DATES

- October 1st: Start of Family Fall BINGO!
- October 9th: Center Closed in observance of Indigenous Peoples' Day
- October 13th: Parent Workshop
- October 17th: Tuni Wa Nobi/TANF Cooking Around the World
- October 19th: Staff Development, Closed 1/2 day

COME JOIN OUR TEAM

- Teacher (Big Pine)
- Teacher (Bishop)
- Cook/Aide (Bishop)

Open Until Filled
Apply online @
ovcdc.com/employment/

REMINDERS

Our center hours are Monday-Friday 7:45 am-3:45 pm
Breakfast upon arrival, snack and lunch provided.

CONTACT US

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Bishop, CA 93514
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Family Child Services Specialist

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OVCDC TANF PREVENTION CALENDAR OCTOBER 2023



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 9AM-12PM SAC, CA	2	3	4	5	6 LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	7
8	9 OVCDC OFFICES CLOSED	10 WREATH WORKSHOP LOCATION: BISP TANF 5:30PM-7:30PM LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	11 RCPR/FIRST AID TUNIWA NOBI 830AM-430PM LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	12 LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	13 LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	14 LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE
15	16 LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	17 COOKING AROUND THE WORLD WEB EX 530PM-730PM LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	18 LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	19 LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	20 LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	21 BOYS W BRAIDS BARLOW GYM 8AM-5PM
22	23 FALL BAG FAMILY ACTIVITY LOCATION: DELIVERY BAGS LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	24 LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	25 LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	26 OUR VALLEY IN HEALING METHODIST CHURCH 6PM LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	27 LANGUAGE CLASS @5:30PM BISHOP LANGUAGE OFFICE	28
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EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

CrossFit- Monday thru Thursday.
Equestrian- Sunday thru Monday.
For more information, please call (760) 873-5107

Virtual Language Classes
Monday-Saturdays
For more information, please call
(760) 873-5107 Ext. 174

ADULT EDUCATION
Offering the following: GED Test Prep, DMV Test Prep, Financial Literacy & Life Skills
For more information call (760) 872-2115

*FIS/MIS- FATHERHOOD AND MOTHERHOOD IS SACRED

TANF PREVENTION-GREEN
FAMILY LITERACY-BLUE
LANGUAGE-RED

TUNIWA NOBI FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAM
PRESENTS:

Learn to Save a Life!

In-Person
FirstAid/CPR Course

Healthy Snacks! **When: Wednesday** **Incentives!**

Oct 11, 2023

Where: Tuniwa Nobi Classroom
2475 Diaz Lane

Time: 8:30—4:30 pm

CALL 760/872-2115 TODAY
USE QR CODE
SIGN UP BY 10-6-23!!






TUNIWA NOBI & BISHOP TANF STAFF PRESENTS

C.A.T.W

Cooking Around the World

PUMPKIN

HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED HOW BIG THE LARGEST PUMPKIN WAS OR WHEN WAS THE FIRST PUMPKIN PIE EVER MADE, WHAT ARE THE HEALTH BENEFITS OF PUMPKIN...OR IF YOU ARE JUST A PUMPKIN SPICE AND EVERYTHINGS NICE KINDA PERSON THEN THIS WORKSHOP IS FOR YOU

Space is limited!

Scan the QRC to pre register



JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF PUMPKIN CREATIVITY, ALL SUPPLIES ARE PROVIDED. OPEN TO ALL NATIVE FAMILIES WITHIN INYO & MONO AREAS



**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17TH
5:30-7:30PM VIA WEBEX**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 760-872-2115

FF INCREASING CULTURAL AWARENESS THROUGH TRADITIONAL TEACHINGS

BOYS WITH BRAIDS

OCTOBER 21, 2023

SIGN IN BEGINS- 8AM

OPENING PRAYER- 9AM

OWENS VALLEY



PRE-REGISTER HERE



Keynote Speaker:

Michael Linklater

Founder-Boys with Braids

CULTURAL EDUCATION & AWARENESS

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME- Male and Female

SPEAKERS | YOUTH & ADULT TRACK | TRADITIONAL DANCERS & SINGERS | COMMUNITY DINNER

BARLOW LANE GYM | BISHOP, CA

Please contact Bishop TANF, Ambrosia Stone for more information, (760) 873-5107, Etx. 255.

