Tribal STAR News:

Indian Child Welfare Act Under Fire: Federal Judge Strikes Down 40-Year-Old Law, Appeals Could Lead to Supreme Court
Author: The Chronicle of Social Change: John Kelly
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Information: A federal judge has declared unconstitutional a 40-year-old law that was passed to protect against the separation of American Indian children from their families and tribes by state-run child welfare systems.

CELEBRATION 2018

“On September 21, 2018, Tribal STAR celebrated 15 years of community, collaboration and successful outcomes for Native American youth.

During the event, we were able to recognize our champions, tell stories and connect with friends and relatives. We are humbled by the work we have been allowed to do on behalf of Native youth, families, and communities. We express our gratitude to all of the champions who have joined our efforts over the years, and are deeply grateful to our community leadership and elders for their wisdom, support and guidance. We are looking forward to continued collaboration, new partnerships and new ways to keep our children connected to their families, their tribes and their culture.
This year, Tribal STAR:

LaPrincess Greene

The Tribal STAR family is pleased to introduce its newest member: LaPrincess Greene, Tribal STAR’s new Administrative Assistant. She is a member of the Navajo-Dine tribe from Northeastern Arizona. She is from the Red Bottom Clan, Tł’ááshchí’í; born for the Red Running into the Water Clan, Táchii’nii.

In the past 16 years, LaPrincess has focused her time on supporting her family, educational goals and serving in her community as a volunteer for local non-profits. She is a graduate from Arizona State University with her Bachelors in Organizational Leadership. She is excited to develop as a part of the Academy for Professional Excellence in the Tribal STAR program and to work with a team of forward thinkers, who have a common vision to make a positive contribution to the community.

In her personal time, LaPrincess loves to spend quality time with her 5 children, supporting them through their growth and development. She also loves to play sports, mainly softball; as well as, spend time at the beach, read, and listen to music. Welcome, LaPrincess!
Dear Colleague:

We are currently collecting information about victim service providers to include in the Tribal Resource Tool, and we need your assistance.

Our team is working to identify any and all organizations that provide resources or support to American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) crime victims living on and off tribal lands, Alaska Native villages, and in urban areas. If your organization provides services to help American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) survivors recover from crime and abuse, please submit your information to be listed in the Tribal Resource Tool by visiting our website at www.tribalresource/tool.org.

This web-based resource map and searchable database will:

- Connect AI/AN survivors of crime and abuse to resources
- Provide a listing of services available for AI/AN survivors of crime and abuse
- Help identify and address gaps in services

The Tribal Resource Tool is an innovative collaboration between the Office for Victims of Crime, the National Congress of American Indians, the Tribal Law and Policy Institute, and the National Center for Victims of Crime with the input and guidance of tribal stakeholders across the country.

Help us engage others in this important project by sharing information widely and asking providers to fill out our inclusion form.

For additional information about the project, to request materials to help promote the tool, or to share outreach events where the project team can present the tool, contact Kaylana Gates at kgates@victimsofcrime.org. Please find sample Facebook and Twitter posts below.

Sample Facebook post:
The Tribal Resource Tool needs your assistance! If your organization provides services to help American Indian and Alaska Native survivors recover from crime and abuse, submit your information to the Tribal Resource Tool by visiting our website: www.tribalresource/tool.org.

Sample Twitter post:
The Tribal Resource Tool is a web-based map and searchable database to connect American Indian and Alaska Native survivors of crime and abuse to resources. Find out how to get involved at victimsofcrime.org/docs/default-source/Tribal-Mapping/trt_flyer_print.pdf.

SUBMIT YOUR INFORMATION NOW
COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Walking Shield’s 8th Annual Charity Golf Tournament**

Barona Creek Golf Club in Lakeside, CA
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2018
8:00am Shotgun Start

Proceeds to benefit American Indian Scholarship and Education Program
Phone: 619-256-2570, Email: info@walkingshield.org

**Walking Shield, Inc. 8th Annual Golf Tournament**

Monday, October 22, 2018
Proceeds to benefit the American Indian Scholarship and Education Program

**Sponsorship Opportunities**

- Gold Sponsor: $5,000
- Silver Sponsor: $3,000
- Bronze Sponsor: $1,500

**Schedule**

- Registration & Breakfast: 7:30am
- Shotgun Start: 8:00am
- Lunch: 12:30pm
- Awards: 2:00pm

**Registration**

- $250,000
- $200,000
- $150,000
- $100,000
- $50,000
- $25,000
- $10,000
- $5,000
- $1,000
- $500

**Inclusions**

- Tournament participation
- American Indian Scholarship for one year
- Gift Certificate
- Luxury Basket

**Contact**

Walking Shield, Inc.
Phone: 619-256-2570
Email: info@walkingshield.org
TRIBAL STAR TRAINING
The trainings provide up-to-date, research-based information in a variety of areas for those that work with Tribal foster youth and their communities.

TRIBAL STAR RESOURCE GATEWAY:
CAREGIVER & PROVIDER RESOURCES
CULTURAL EVENTS, CONFERENCES & TRAINING
PROMISING PRACTICES
You can’t wake a person who is pretending to be asleep.

— Navajo

General information, pertinent articles and resources related to Native American Foster Youth can be sent to us at tstar@mail.sdsu.edu for inclusion in the next edition of the Tribal STAR eNewsletter. Whenever possible please make submissions 3 weeks prior to publication of the next newsletter. The next issue will be published the first week of November. All submissions will be reviewed and are published at the sole discretion of the Tribal STAR editorial staff.

For current news, thoughts and events follow us on Twitter #TribalSTARNews

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