Pawnee Nation

2025 Annual Report



MARILYN J. TAHKOFPER
6/16/1936-1/1/2025

JESSIE E. ROMERO
8/24/1942-1/21/2025

JEFFERY D. ADAMS
10/7/1946-2/21/2025

ROBERT D. SHILLING
1/11/1955-2/23/2025

MARY M. NELSON
3/30/1957- 3/10/2025

WILLARD L. PRATT
5/23/1938 - 3/12/2025

NIKOLE L. GANNAWAY
2/23/1969 - 3/26/2025

GARY L. HORSE CHIEF
12/22/1948 - 4/9/2025

BRETT M. IVERS
10/8/1956 - 4/15/2025

ALPHA M. KENT
4/17/1939 - 4/15/2025

MICHAEL W. FIELDS
11/23/1958 - 4/18/2025

ROBERT DAVIS
2/28/1952 - 4/22/2025

LISA G. NORMAN
12/3/1960 - 4/24/2025

CARMEN L. DAVIS
3/17/1984 - 5/12/2025

JOSEPH J. HAWKINS
10/2/1954 - 5/19/2025

JOY K. WHITE
1/12/1941 - 6/2/2025

BARRY L. WEINSTEIN
2/21/1963 - 6/10/2025

FRANCIS W. ATKINS
3/31/1966 - 7/28/2025

ALICE J. WOOD
8/9/1938 - 8/29/2025

LESLIE D. RIDING-IN
9/12/1971 - 8/29/2025

IRENE M. HUNTER
11/14/1919 - 9/1/2025

ETERNITY S. ALEXANDER
4/23/1967 - 9/5/2025

GERALD D. HOWELL
4/14/1960 - 10/20/2025

SARA C. HOWELL
5/12/1949 - 10/26/2025

JESS T. ADAMS
2/27/1966 - 11/7/2025

ERNIE J. MOORE
11/17/1952 - 11/7/2025

DENNIS J. WILLIAMS
6/3/1975 - 11/16/2025

JAMES T. RIDING-IN
8/1/1949 - 11/16/2025

MOLLIE A. DAVIDSON
2/21/1937 - 12/16/2025

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The Supreme governing body of the Pawnee Nation is the Pawnee Business Council which consists of eight (8) members.

The Pawnee Business Council exercises all the inherent, statutory, and treaty powers of the Pawnee Nation by the enactment of legislation, the transaction of business, and by otherwise speaking or acting on all matters which the Pawnee Nation is empowered to act. All members of the Pawnee Business Council are elected to a four-year term of office and serve until their successors are installed in office.

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Pawnee Nation Committees	Chair
Agriculture & Taraha Committee	Secretary George Gardipe
Budget/Finance Committee	Treasurer Carol Chapman
Communications Committee	Councilwoman Cynthia Butler
Cultural Resource Advisory Committee	Herb Adson
Enrollment Committee	Secretary George Gardipe
Governing Documents Committee	Councilwoman Jenifer Gover LittleSun
Grievance Committee	N/A
Human Resources Committee	Councilwoman Cynthia Butler
Intergovernmental Affairs Committee	Councilwoman Dawna Hare
Land Use & Property Committee	Secretary George Gardipe
Planning Committee	Councilwoman Carol Nuttle
Princess Committee	Tiffany Frietze-Nichols
Tourism Committee	Councilwoman Cynthia Butler
Tribal Emergency Response Committee	Virgil Wade
Pawnee Nation Commissions	
Election Commission	Cecelia Hawkins
Environmental Regulatory Commission	N/A
Gaming Commission	Lyle Fields
Liquor Control Commission	Brian Kirk
TERO Commission	N/A
Utility Commission	Chris McCray
Pawnee Nation Boards	
Pawnee Nation Behavioral Health Board	Ronda Wade
Pawnee Nation College Board of Trustees	Charles Gover
Pawnee Nation Health Advisory Board	Rhonda Beaver
Pawnee Nation Museum Board of Directors	Joseph Matt Reed
Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation Board	Jeff Goodfox
Pawnee Tribal Housing Authority Board	Reva Howell











Pawnee Business Council Resolution #24-73
Approved Pawnee Nation Comprehensive Budget

Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

RESOLUTION #24-73
DECEMBER 3, 2024

RESOLUTION

Whereas, The Pawnee Business Council is the supreme governing body of the Pawnee Nation and is authorized to conduct business on behalf of the Pawnee Nation in accordance with Article IV, Sections 1 and 2 of the Pawnee Nation Constitution and By-Laws; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Business Council met in special session on December 3, 2024, at the Pawnee Nation Multi-Purpose Building, duly authorized, with a quorum present; and

Whereas, Pursuant to the Pawnee Nation's Fiscal Policies and Procedures the Budget Call process should be completed, submitted and approved by the Pawnee Business Council by October 1st of each year; and

Whereas, the Budget Committee has reviewed the Tribal budgets and recommends approval to the Pawnee Business Council the 2025 Tribal budgets totaling **$5,253,981;** and

Whereas, the Budget Committee has reviewed the Indirect Costs budgets and recommends approval to the Pawnee Business Council the 2025 Indirect Cost Budgets totaling **$2,695,534;**

Whereas, the Budget Committee has reviewed all budgets and recommends approval to the Pawnee Business Council for the **2025 Comprehensive Budget** in the amount of **$14,036,054;** and

Whereas, the Treasurer of the Pawnee Business Council assisted by the budget committee will monitor the budgets; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Business Council wishes to approve the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma **2025 Comprehensive Budget** with the following Revenue and Expenditures; and

ESTIMATED/PROJECTED REVENUES

Space Cost Allocation Plan-Office Space	277,500
Rents-Common Facilities	2,000
Rents-Casino/Trading Post	40,000
Leases-TDC Corporate Office	80,000
Leases-Agency Building	154,730
Leases-Farm & Grazing	32,000
Oil & Gas	16,700
License & Fees	285,000
IDC Income	1,406,670
Administrative Cost Income	27,194
Pawnee Nation Behavior Health Center	300,000
Program Income	310,000
Sales Tax Income	125,000
Motor Fuels	114,500
Tobacco Income	125,000
TDC Contribution	1,800,000
Interest Income	27,000
Miscellaneous Income	10,000
Reed Property	15,000
Cattle Sales	300,000
Greenhouse	40,000
Donations and Fund Raising	3,000
Dept of Emergency Management	50,882
Revenue Replacement- ARPA	2,407,339
Subtotal (General Fund and IDC)	***7,949,515***

Department of Interior	2,049,997
Department of Health & Human Services-I.H.S.	1,825,193
Department of Health & Human Services-other	187,326
Department of Transportation	1,000,000
Environmental Protection Agency	353,889
Department of Justice	360,824
Department of Labor	30,000
US Department of Agriculture	248,522
Federal Funding Subtotal	***6,055,751***
Oklahoma Dept. of Health & Human Services	30,788
State of Oklahoma Funding Subtotal	***30,788***
GRAND TOTAL	***14,036,054***

ESTIMATED/PROJECTED EXPENDITURES BY FUND

GENERAL FUND (TRIBAL)

Executive Office	7,000
Museum	5,825
Pawnee Business Council	289,845
Nasharo Council	86,400
Election Commission	1,800
Property Management	1,401,049
Communications Department	96,010
FDPIR/Pallet Fund	400
Liquor Control Board	18,100
HIED Scholarship Program	40,000
Tribal Princess	500
Pawnee Tribal Court	134,780
Tax	234,878
Gaming Commission	551,546
TERO	268,859
Elderly, Handicap & Emergency Assistance	80,000
Pawnee Nation College	50,000
Hukasa	37,911
Fire & Rescue	158,167
Burial Assistance	65,000
Utility Commission	1,000
Environmental Regulatory Commission	1,200
DNRS – Non Fed Activities	152,937
Emergency Management	56,985
FDPIR Match	66,530
Title 6 – Tribal	148,892
Attorney General	96,000
Division of Health & Community Services	82,658
Pandemic Beef Delivery System	397,229
Division of Agriculture	236,142
Transportation & Safety	50,887
COVID Recovery & Rehabilitation Center	82,345
Title 6 – Meal Donations	500
Cultural Resources Division	217,346
Sports Commission	600
Greenhouse	134,660
General Fund Subtotal:	***5,253,981***

INDIRECT COST

Executive Office	261,383
Pawnee Business Council	166,609
Human Resources	141,237
Finance Division	850,534
Information Technology Department	510,238
Planning & Development Division	125,055
Property Management	338,679

Administrative Affairs Division	103,608
Compliance Department	198,191
Indirect Cost Subtotal:	***2,695,534***
FEDERAL	
477	1,015,024
NAGPRA	98,158
Tribal Historic Preservation Office	93,050
Self-Governance–BIA	843,765
Self-Governance–IHS	941,067
Native Connections	250,000
Tribal Opioid Response	250,000
Special Diabetes	184,126
IHS Domestic Violence Prevention	200,000
Community Services Block Grant	3,256
LIHEAP	36,617
Title VI – Part A	91,300
Title VI – Part C	28,120
NSIP	9,190
Child Welfare Services	9,505
PSSF	9,338
Violence Against Women	300,000
FVPSA	60,824
Indian Reservation Roads	1,000,000
GAP	135,000
Water Pollution Control	130,000
Non-Point Source	88,889
EEOC	30,000
FDPIR	248,522
Federal Funding Subtotal:	***6,055,751***
STATE	
PSSF	30,788
State Funding Subtotal:	**30,788**
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**14,036,054**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Pawnee Business Council does hereby approve that all Tribal, Federal and State Grant Program Fund budgets included in the Pawnee Nation **2025 Comprehensive Budget** be approved in the total amount of **$14,036,054.**

CERTIFICATION

I, George Gardipe, Secretary of the Pawnee Business Council, certify that a Special Meeting of the Pawnee Business Council was held on the 3rd day of December 2024 and that the Pawnee Business Council is composed of eight members, of whom 7 were present, 1 absent, comprising a quorum, and the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by a vote of 5 for, 1 against, 0 abstaining, and 1 not voting.

Signed this 3rd day of December 2024

ATTEST:

George Gardipe, Secretary
Pawnee Business Council

Misty M. Nuttle, President
Pawnee Business Council

PAWNEE BUSINESS COUNCIL SECRETARY REPORT

In 2025, your Pawnee Business Council (PBC) carried forward its responsibility to govern, to decide, and to act on behalf of the Nation. This report reflects the time, participation, and decisions made in service to our people. We had a regular election in May, where thankfully, I was allowed to continue serving you. In compiling all the data for this report, I want to highlight some of our findings and the significant progress we made together.

This PBC does not always agree, and sometimes a debate seems to cross the line into the personal, but I can assure our citizens that we all respect each other and listen to all viewpoints. I have had the privilege of serving with amazing colleagues, and it continues to be stronger than ever today! We know we have many challenges ahead of us, as a council, as a People, and as a Nation, and your Pawnee Business Council leadership is present and accounted for!

Year at a Glance

- Resolutions Considered: 86
- Approved: 81
- Denied: 2 (Election Act Violation and the Vice President Resignation)
- Withdrawn: 3 (TERO Commission Appointment, Vacancy and Call for Special Election, and Pawnee Nation College Land Allocation)

Enrollment:

- New Members Enrolled: 43
- Deceased Members: 42
- Relinquishments: 11

Meetings:

Meetings Held: 31
Total Time in Session: ~40 hours

PBC Member Roll Call:

Name	Meetings in Term	Present	Excused Absence	Unexcused Absence
Misty M. Nuttle, President	31	26	5	0
Jordan Kanuho, Vice-President	31	28	3	0
George Gardipe, Secretary	31	31	0	0
Carol Chapman, Treasurer	31	28	3	0
Cynthia Butler, Seat #1	31	30	1	0
Dawna Hare, Seat #2	31	27	4	0
Carol Nuttle, Seat #3 (May-Dec)	20	19	0	1
Jenifer Gover-Littlesun, Seat #4 (May-Dec)	20	17	3	0
Gene Evans, Seat #3 (Jan-May)	11	11	0	0
Sammye Kemble, Seat #4 (Jan-May)	11	11	0	0

Key Decisions and Constitutional Reform

Amongst governmental actions was the adoption of a comprehensive budget and authorization of major financing. There were election oversight and legal compliance actions, and 96 membership changes processed. There were actions taken which resulted in the expansion of behavioral health and agricultural initiatives.

We also concluded the 2025 Constitution Convention, culminating in proposed amendments for the Pawnee people. Progress on the proposed Secretarial Election stalled late in the year due to a federal government shutdown while the Nation awaited a response from the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The Pawnee Business Council intends to revisit and reschedule this election to ensure full compliance and participation.

Committee Leadership and Departmental Impact

In August 2025, I was appointed Chairman of the Property Committee and the Agriculture & Taraha Committee, in addition to my ongoing duties as Chairman of the Enrollment Committee.

· Enrollment Committee: We successfully oversaw 96 membership actions to keep our rolls accurate, which included 43 new members, 42 deceased members, and 11 relinquishments. Membership Warning: Based on the membership actions throughout 2025, our Pawnee Nation could potentially have lost 10 citizens. As Chair of the Enrollment Committee, I have seen first-hand membership trends within the last 5 years. Alarmingly, most approvals are now at or near the minimum threshold. As time keeps moving, I fear membership will continue decreasing, unless we, as a Proud Pawnee People, rectify this by the appropriate means, and by exercising our shared Tribal Sovereignty.

· Agriculture & Taraha Committee: We oversaw the launch of the Agrivoltaics solar project with Pawnee Nation College, which successfully generates 50 kilowatts of power per day for the Albin Leading Fox and TERO buildings. We also authorized applications for the ITBC Herd Development grant and the Climate Smart Markets grant to fund a working alley, chute, and a Buffalo Herd Manager Apprenticeship.

· Property Committee: We engaged in ongoing collaboration with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to secure agency space, review land allotments, and protect Pawnee Nation jurisdiction.

PBC Attendance and Commitment

What is clear and evident from this past year is the commitment that the Pawnee Business Council members displayed in ensuring attendance. This documented record demonstrates the importance of having council members present in making vital decisions that could have an impact on our citizens and employees. Even through an election, with 2 seats having changed, your government remained intact and continued service to all its citizens.

Note: *Council members with excused absences were formally excused due to representation on authorized tribal travel, medical leave for family, or personal emergencies.*

The work of the Pawnee Business Council in 2025 reflects consistent participation and service to the Nation. As we move deeper into 2026, this PBC continues, and will continue, showing up, debating, listening and evaluating the best foot forward as we navigate an ever-changing political landscape.

Regardless of where we choose to go, it's important to note that we were once down to 600 amazing, beautiful survivors- a legacy that remains and still continues. I recognize the efforts and sacrifices of our ancestors, and I know how vital it is to be diligent with every motion, every vote and every decision we make. As Secretary, and as Tikitawi'a—He Became a Leader, this report is submitted with that responsibility in mind.

Nawa Iri,
George Gardipe, Jr.
Secretary, Pawnee Business Council



Pawnee Nation Princess

2024-2025 & 2025-2026



Cora Marie Pratt

"Sku"

Cora Marie Pratt, "Sku," which means, "On that Good Road," was selected to serve as the 2024-2025 Pawnee Nation Princess. Cora is the daughter of Jr. and Christa Pratt. She is the granddaughter of Duane and the late Henrietta Pratt, and Rick Haught and the late Carolyn Brown. Her great paternal grandparents are Adam and Hazel White Pratt, and Lawrence and Flora Goodfox-All Pawnee full-bloods. She is of the Skidi and Chaui Bands. Cora is 16 years old and a sophomore at Pawnee Public Schools. She is a straight A student and a member of the Beta Club, gifted and talented, and the Northern Plains Indian Club. Cora competes on the Black Bear golf team and trains at the Studio K Ballet School. Her future plans are to attend OU and work towards a degree in the Nursing field and profession.

Cora is a member of the Cushing Indian Baptist Church. She has traveled all over the country with her father and brothers, Adam and Andy, as a part of the Native Gospel team; The Tribe of Judah.

Cora has been dancing her entire life. She was raised in a strong ceremonial family. Through this, she has learned the value and importance of not only knowing her Pawnee ways, but also living according to them. As such, she understands her being chosen as Pawnee Nation Princess not only represents her and her family, but the Pawnee Nation as a whole. She will do her utmost to live up to this great honor. "Attias achik ska pa kis."





OFFICERS FOR THE 2026 RÂRISTÊSÂRU'/NASHARO COUNCIL:



PAT LEADING FOX – RÎSÂKITAWI OR HEAD CHIEF
MATT REED – SECOND CHIEF
TIM JIM - TREASURER
GILBERT BEARD – SECRETARY

CKIRI:
GILBERT BEARD - FIRST RÎSÂRU'
PAT LEADING FOX - SECOND RÎSÂRU'

ČAWÎ':
MATT REED - FIRST RÊSÂRU'
ARTHUR FIELDS IV - SECOND RÊSÂRU'

KITKEHAHKI:
MORGAN LITTLESUN – FIRST RÊSÂRU'
ADRIAN SPOTTEDHORSECHIEF – SECOND RÊSÂRU'

PÎTAHAWIRÂTA:
FRANK ADSON - FIRST RÊSÂRU'
TIM JIM - SECOND RÊSÂRU'















The Nasharo Council, also known as the "Chiefs Council" consists of eight (8) members, each serving four-year terms. Each band shall have two (2) representatives on the Nasharo Council selected by the members of the tribal bands, Čawî', Kitkehahki, Pîtahawirâta, and Ckiri. The Nasharo Council reviews rules and regulations concerning membership within the Pawnee Nation. All acts regarding Membership or Claims or Treaty Rights of the Pawnee Business Council shall be subject to review by the Nasharo Council. The Nasharo Council shall have the right to review all acts of the Pawnee Business Council regarding the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma membership and Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma claims or rights growing out of treaties between the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma and the United States provided such acts of the PBC shall be valid unless formally disapproved of the Nasharo Council within 30 days after such acts are referred to the latter Council; where such are disapproved by the Nasharo Council, the PBC may submit them to a referendum of the Pawnee Nation.



Adrian Horsechief, 2nd Resaru for the Kitkahaki Band, describes the construction process of the 2nd Pawnee Nation Earth in an interview for the Communications Office.



September 24, 2025, the Nasharo (Rêsâru'karu) Council traveled to Grey Snow Eagle House (GSEH) in Perkins, Oklahoma, where they received 25 adult eagle feathers.



May 30, 2025, the Nasharo (Rêsâru'karu) Council paid their respects to Sergeant Co-Rux-Te-Chod-Ish (Mad Bear), Pawnee Nation Member and Pawnee Scout who was the first Native American to be given the Medal of Honor. The Rêsâru'karu and the Pawnee Business Council gathered for a ceremony to honor him at North Pawnee Indian Cemetery.

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Pawnee Nation Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO)

2025 ANNUAL SNAPSHOT PROTECTING EMPLOYMENT. BUILDING OPPORTUNITY. STRENGTHENING SOVEREIGNTY.

Who We Are - The Pawnee Nation TERO ensures that tribal members receive fair employment opportunities on all projects conducted within the Nation. Through compliance, workforce support, and p

What We Do - Enforce Indian Preference in hiring - Monitor contractor compliance with the TERO Act - Support job placement and workforce development - Review and process employment-related complaints - Coordinate with tribal departments on construction and development projects

2025 By the Numbers - 6 Tribal Members Employed (field workforce) - Multiple Construction Projects Supported - $500K+ in Project Oversight Activity - Active coordination with tribal, federal, and contractor partners



Key Projects in 2025 VAW Deck & Fence Project – Construction of secure outdoor space and privacy fencing Pawnee Nation Trading Post Improvements – Oversight of renovation activities IHS Roofing Project – Large-scale roofing project supporting community infrastructure Stonewolf Project – Compliance review and contractor engagement

Workforce & Community Impact - Created direct employment opportunities for tribal members - Strengthened pathways for local hiring on tribal projects - Supported coordinated project delivery across departments

Compliance & Advocacy TERO ensures employers follow tribal employment laws, provide fair opportunities to Native workers, and engage in compliance plan.

Looking Ahead TERO will continue expanding workforce opportunities, strengthening compliance,

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Click on the QR Code to visit the TERO website



Sam Vannoy
TERO Director



James Hawkins
TERO Coordinator



Gabriel Clark
TERO Admin Assistant

310 Maintenance Road, Pawnee, OK
Monday–Friday | 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
(Closed 12–1)



PAWNEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

Overview- The Pawnee Nation Gaming Commission is an agency established by the Pawnee Business Council under the Pawnee Nation Gaming Ordinance, originally enacted in 1999 and most recently revised in August 2022. The Ordinance authorizes gaming activities on Pawnee Nation lands and provides regulatory oversight to ensure a safe, fair, and ethical gaming environment while protecting the integrity of tribal gaming operations and assets.

Funding and Revenue- The Pawnee Nation Gaming Commission is funded through annual assessments levied against the prior year's Gross Gaming Revenue of casino operations on Pawnee Nation lands, as audited by an independent licensed Certified Public Accountant.

Total Gaming Assessments for 2025: $501,879.00

Licensing and Regulatory Functions-
The Commission licenses and regulates the following activities:
Gaming Facilities
Employees of Gaming Facilities
Employees of Gaming related Vendors
Non-Gaming Vendors (Permit)



Licensing fees help offset the cost of background investigations, compliance checks, and regulatory oversight. These processes ensure that gaming operations are conducted by qualified and trustworthy individuals and are periodically reviewed by state and federal regulatory authorities.

Operational Support- The Gaming Commission provided direct support to Casino Operations throughout the year, including assistance with major remodeling projects and the rebranding of facilities:

- **Trading Post Casino → StoneWolf Casino – Pawnee**
- **Tee Pee Casino → StoneWolf Casino – Yale**

2025 Data:
Notice of Violations Issued: 0
Badge Renewals: 94
Denied Licensing: 0

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Field Investigator



Pam Johnson,
Field Investigator



Charles Tahah,
Licensing Assistant



PAWNEE NATION LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

The Pawnee Nation Liquor Control Commission (PNLCC) continued to strengthen its role in 2025 as a regulatory body committed to protecting public health, ensuring compliance, and supporting responsible economic activity regarding alcohol sales within the Pawnee Nation jurisdiction. Through consistent oversight, enforcement, and collaboration with tribal enterprises, the Commission upheld its mission to regulate the sale, distribution, and consumption of alcohol in a manner that reflects the Nation's values and legal framework.

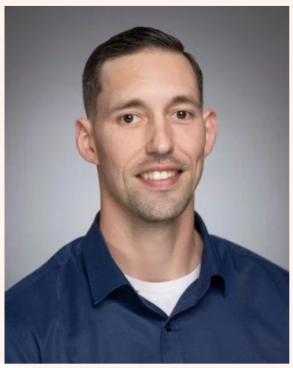
Throughout 2025, the Commission maintained active licensing and compliance monitoring for all tribally authorized establishments. Routine inspections and audits may be conducted to ensure adherence to tribal laws and regulations, with a focus on responsible service practices, proper documentation, and operational accountability. When necessary, corrective actions and guidance were provided to maintain high standards across all licensed entities.

2025 Data:

Approved Individual Licensing: 38
Approved Individual Licensing Renewals: 26
Denied Individual Licensing: 1
Notice of Violation Issued: 3
Review of Incident Reports: 5

Total Revenue for 2025: $66,589.65

Revenue from Licensing: 4,935.00
Revenue from Violations: 1,100.00
Revenue from Beer and Liquor Sales: 60,554.65



Brian Kirk



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Pawnee Nation Tax Commission, Tag Services, and Gift Shop

The Pawnee Nation Tax Department has relocated from 881 Little Dee Drive to the Old Pawnee Agency Building at 490 Agency Road. The primary responsibilities of the Tax Department are the issuance and renewal of tribal tags, collection of sales tax fees on merchandise, and tobacco and liquor sales within tribal jurisdiction. The Tax Commission issues business permits related to tobacco sales, jewelry/food vendors, and vending devices on tribal land. It is also responsible for collecting revenues on oil and gas sales within Pawnee Nation jurisdictional boundaries. Also issued are annual vending device decals on leased gaming machines at Stonewolf casinos (Pawnee, Lone Chimney and Yale).

The revenues collected by the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission are used to supplement tribal programs and tribal operational needs through the Pawnee Nation Budget Call process.

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Visit the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission website at PawneeNation.org/tax-commission and scan the QR Code to visit the Gift Shop webpage for a list of merchandise.



2025 Tax Commission Revenue:

- Merchandise Sales $17,676.28
- Oil and Gas Severance Tax $2,611.90
- Oil and Gas Permits $9,552.56
- Pawnee Pendleton Sales $5,455.65
- Sales Tax (Jan 25 to Dec 25) $153,723.81
- Tax Permits $4,396.10
- Treatment, Storage & Disposal Permits $2,000.00
- Vehicle Registration $126,081.19
- Excise Tax $77,426.60
- Vending Device Permits $26,375.25
- Tobacco Compact (Dec 2024 - Dec 2025) $257,381.54
- 2025 Gross Revenue Tax Commission Total $682,680.88
- LESS Rebate to Tribal Retailers (Dec 2024 – Dec 2025) $115,536.37
- 2025 Net Revenue Tax Commission Total $567,144.5

Number of 2025 tags Issued

- Tribal tags: 259
- Renewals: 1,433
- Customized tags: 16



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Pawnee Nation Utility Authority Commission

The Pawnee Nation Utility Authority Commission ("Utility Commission") was established under Resolution #01-12 and is governed by a three-member board of Commissioners. The Commission is responsible for developing and implementing policies, ordinances, and regulations that guide the operation, maintenance, and management of utility services across Pawnee Nation lands.

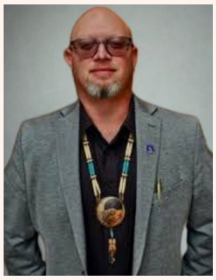
These services include water, wastewater, and emerging energy infrastructure. The Commission works in close coordination with the Property and Planning & Development Divisions, along with external specialists and tribal leadership, the governing body, to ensure infrastructure development, regulatory compliance, and long-term sustainability.

Operational support is through grants, tribal funds, residential, institutional, and commercial users contributed to utility revenues.

2025 Revenue Data:
Number of Customers - 8
Water Income - $4,723.41
Sewer Income - $0

The Pawnee Nation Utility Authority Commission has made measurable progress in 2025 toward establishing a structured, accountable, and forward-looking utility system. Foundational work in governance, billing, infrastructure planning, and energy development is positioning the Utility Authority for long-term sustainability.

Continued collaboration, strategic funding, and policy development will be critical as the Utility Authority evolves into a cornerstone of Pawnee Nation's economic and infrastructure framework.



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Pawnee Nation Utility Authority Act

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ELECTION COMMISSION

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Sergeant-at-Arms, Catherine Moore
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ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

The Pawnee Nation Environmental Regulatory Commission (ERC) is a regulatory body established by the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma to oversee environmental protection and conservation. It operates under the Pawnee Natural Resource Protection Act (Title XII) and works alongside the Department of Environmental Conservation and Safety (DECS).



SPORTS COMMISSION

The Pawnee Nation Sports Commission is a regulatory body established by the Pawnee Business Council to oversee sports within the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma. It operates under the Pawnee Nation Sports Commission Act and Regulations, which was formally adopted in February 2016.


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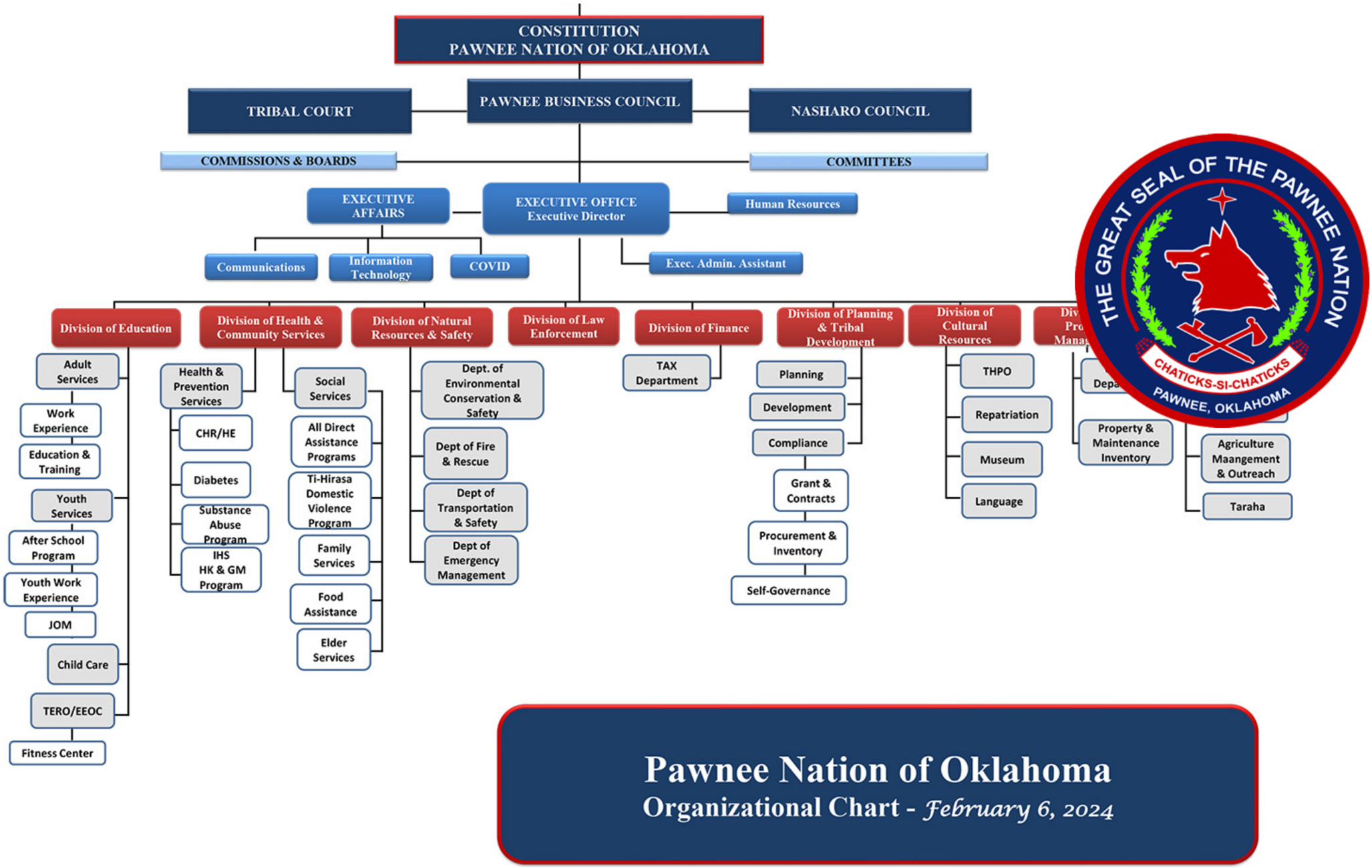

PAWNEE NATION ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



EXECUTIVE OFFICE

The Pawnee Nation Executive Office serves as the central administrative support office for the tribal government and works to ensure the efficient operation of the Nation's governmental functions. During the reporting period.

During the first quarter of 2025 Brian Kirk served as Acting Executive Director and in April Virgil Wade was hired on to fill the role of Executive Director.

The Executive Office plays a key role in supporting the day-to-day administrative operations of the Pawnee Nation. Staff members provide high-level customer service to tribal citizens, coordinate support for various committees of the Pawnee Business Council and assist with a wide range of governmental functions.

Key responsibilities of the Executive Office include:

- Providing administrative and operational support to the Executive Director and Pawnee Nation leadership
- Assisting Pawnee Nation committees and administrative departments
- Supporting tribal members through information services and direct assistance
- Working closely with the Communications Department to provide timely updates to Pawnee Nation citizens
- Publishing and maintaining the monthly Pawnee Nation events calendar
- Coordinating general inquiries and public information requests

The Executive Office also provides direct assistance to tribal members in several areas, including:

  - Burial assistance coordination
  - Responding to citizen inquiries and service requests
  - Assisting departments and community members with informational flyers
  - Providing document support services and general administrative assistance

The Executive Office is located on the first floor of Building 64 of the former Pawnee Indian School campus and remains committed to serving Pawnee Nation citizens with professionalism, accessibility, and respect.



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HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

The Human Resources Department plays a critical role in supporting all divisions of the Pawnee Nation by providing comprehensive personnel services and ensuring the organization has the talent, structure, and policies needed to operate effectively. Human Resources is responsible for advertising and filling vacant positions, recruiting qualified applicants, coordinating employee orientation, administering employee benefits, managing employee relations, and maintaining accurate personnel records. In addition, the department develops and deploys policies and procedures, monitors compliance with tribal, state, and federal labor laws, and researches and establishes competitive wage and compensation structures.

Throughout the past year, the department worked extensively on restructuring and rebuilding the Human Resources Office to better meet the needs of Pawnee Nation employees and align with the Nation's long term organizational goals. This effort included reviewing internal processes, strengthening communication across divisions, and upgrading critical Human Resources systems to increase efficiency and reliability.

EMPLOYEE PROFILE:

The Pawnee Nation employed 176 employees, this includes full-time, TERO, work experience workers, and summer youth work experience workers.
Pawnee Nation enrolled tribal members 86 employees (48.9%)
Pawnee Descendants enrolled in other tribes 25 employees (14.2%)
Other Tribal members 30 employees (17.0%)
Non-native employees 35 employees (19.9%)

2025 NEW FULL-TIME HIRES/REHIRES/TRANSFERS/PROMOTIONS

Tsakuru Shawnee – Cattle Field Hand
Russell Sentel – Law Enforcement Officer
Reva Howell – Planning Director
Mary Blackowl – TOR Prevention Specialist
Suzanne Knife Chief – Diabetes Coordinator
Jon James - Emergency Manager
Brittian Fletcher – Transportation Technician
Virgil Wade – Executive Director
Margaro (Brian) Ramirez – Grounds Maintenance
Angela Pratt – IT Administrative Assistant
Blane Boyer – Desktop Support Specialist
Emmett Pratt – Grounds Maintenance
Ashlee Washington – Human Resources Coordinator
Patrick Leading Fox III - Housekeeper
Shelby Duncan – Behavioral Health Housekeeping
Quanah Shaw – Cattle Field Hand
Cecelia Hawkins – Procurement/Travel Clerk
Samantha Peters – Human Resources Manager
Katosha Raney – Gaming Field Investigator
Jodi Price – Opioid Prevention Specialist
Cheynowa Townsend – Accounts Payable Clerk
Faith Rackliff – IHS Housekeeper
Carlys Balatche-Mitchell – Planning Coordinator
Miriam Birdshead – CHR Generalist
Maryanne Pryor – Payroll/Accounting Specialist
Jennae Kanuho - Receptionist
Jessica Evans – Agriculture Office Manager
Robert Pratt - Behavioral Health Housekeeper
Rhonda James – Transportation Manager
Makayla Bible – Housekeeper
Freida Naylor – Transportation Administrative Assistant



HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

2025 Employee of the Year – Randee Marks
2025 Employee of the 4th Quarter – Shane McMurry
2025 Division Director of the Year - Jimmy Jestes









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COMMUNICATIONS

The Pawnee Nation Communications Office plays a crucial role in managing and disseminating information pertaining to the tribe. This involves a diverse range of responsibilities, including publishing the "Čahriksičahriks", the tribe's official publication, and the Pawnee Nation Annual Report. The office ensures that news and updates reach Tribal members, media outlets, neighboring Native American Tribes, and community leaders, thereby keeping everyone informed about the Tribal government's activities and services. The newsletter not only covers administrative updates but also highlights community and cultural events, inviting contributions from various departments and individuals within the tribe.

The Communications office has published four Quarterly newsletters during 2025, while covering several significant cultural celebrations, community wellness programs, and tribal government activities, such as Live streamed Pawnee Business Council meetings that occur twice monthly and quarterly meetings. Mentionable highlights included the Annual Pawnee Indian Veterans Homecoming Powwow in July and the selection of the 2025-2026 Pawnee Nation Princess in April.

Other Cultural & Community Celebrations include:

- Moccasins Across America: The Pawnee Nation welcomed this journey of healing and unity on July 14-15, 2025, with storytelling & a prayer walk.
- Ribbon Cuttings for the Pawnee Nation Museum and the StoneWolf Casino Stage
- Pawnee Nation Christmas Market
- Pawnee Nation Health Fair
- Community Trunk or Treat
- Native American Heritage Month Activities
- Pawnee Community Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet in December

Between January and December 2025, the Pawnee Nation Social Media has had much exposure and growth:
Facebook Page: 726,525 Views
Facebook Reels: 14,895 3-second views
Facebook Videos: 504 1-minute views

The Communications Office has innovated the processes for Communications requests, creating and incorporating online forms to serve Divisions, Community, and to staff requests from local media.



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The Communications Office work with the PBC Communications Committee.

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

In 2025, the Pawnee Nation Information Technology (IT) Department continued to support and enhance technology services across all departments. A major operational milestone this year was the strategic transition of our support services.

The department also continued its initiative to transition employees from traditional desktop setups to remote workstation environments, increasing flexibility, security, and efficiency across the organization. Alongside this effort, the IT Department maintained its core responsibilities of technical support, system maintenance, and cybersecurity. With these advancements, the Pawnee Nation IT Department remains focused and well-positioned to continue improving services and infrastructure.



Amos Dailey is an Osage tech entrepreneur, software engineer, and cultural advocate known for his work in digital preservation for the Osage Nation. He is the founder and president of Dailey Technologies LLC, a Native-owned firm that develops custom software solutions, including service portals and language-learning platforms for tribal governments.

Ashley Dailey (also known as Ashley Crawford Dailey) is a prominent real estate professional in Oklahoma and the partner of tech entrepreneur Amos Dailey. She is a "born and raised Osage county girl" with over 15 years of experience in the real estate industry



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AGRICULTURE

2025 was a big year for the growing Division of Agriculture, as the second full year since the Division was formed and housed at 200 Morris Road. In March we opened 4Bands Market selling beef cuts from our finished calves, processed under USDA inspection at Wild Country Meats in Hominy. We also stock greenhouse tomatoes and sometimes cucumbers from late fall through late spring produced hydroponically with no pesticides at our tribal greenhouse. In September we began accepting Payroll Deductions for tribal employees and we were so grateful for the support we have received through these sales. We have begun the process of applying to accept SNAP/EBT and hope to provide that service by summer 2026.

The Division applied for and was awarded several grants, cooperative agreements, and 638 contracts that were administered in 2025, with a total value of external funds surpassing $475,000:

- FY24 ITBC Herd Development Grant for a buffalo hay barn in the amount of $31,891
- FY24 ITBC Special Herd Development Grant to strengthen fencing for buffalo in the amount of $55,100
- NAAF (Native American Ag Fund) Tribal Dept of Agriculture Grant for planning future land management and outreach programming in the amount of $98,901.84
- NRCS-EQIP cooperative agreement to restore a livestock pond on a trust tract leased under 4Bands Cattle $8,266
- 93-638 contract through the BIA for fencing and land restoration on four trust allotment tracts in the amount of $316,534

In 2025 the Committee responded to concerns by Agriculture staff and others to high numbers of white-tailed deer seen on tribal headquarters by working with DNRS to submit a proposal to PBC requesting a special harvest of 15 deer that were processed with app. 300 lbs. of meat distributed to Elders in 3lb parcels, and app. 100 lbs. provided to the Learning Center for youth.

REVENUE:
Cattle Sales $257,390.97
Meat Sales $34,640.87
Vegetable Sales $2062.00
Merchandise Sales $1522.00



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Felipe Chavez-Ramirez
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Jackie Evans
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Pawnee Nation Market

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DIVISION OF FINANCE

In 2025, the Finance Division of the Pawnee Nation successfully maintained an effective, consistent, and compliant financial standing. During the year, the accounting team was instrumental in effectively applying the proper accounting processes to the Nation's comprehensive and operational financial activities. Moreover, the staff at the Pawnee Nation also adhered to the same financial policies while administering their tribal and federal programs. Understanding financial responsibility assists in aligning the financial goals of the Nation across the departments within the organization.

According to the approved 2025 comprehensive budget and the actual recorded expenses for Tribal Operations, the Nation went over budget by $288,458. During the 2025 budget process, a portion of the ARPA funding called Revenue Replacement was approved to cover such operational budget overages.

2025 *Tribal Operations* Revenues	*Amount*
TDC Contribution	1,298.921
Motor Fuels	109,199
Rents	277,864
Interest Income	94,493
Tribal Taxes	152,414
Tobacco Compact	257,382
Proceeds of Labor	4,885
Program Income	54,325
License & Fees	23,095
Indirect Cost Recovery	1,429,362
Space Cost Recovery	279,204
Misc Income	36,272
Total 2025 Tribal Operations Pre-Audited Revenues:	4,017,416

FUNDING AGENCY	*2025 AWARD AMOUNTS*
Dept. of Interior – Office of Tribal Self-Governance	986,033
Dept. of Interior – Office of Tribal Self-Governance (P.L. 102-477)	1,578,666
Dept. of Interior – Tribal Energy Development (Total in TSG)	150,000
Dept. of Interior – Tribal Community Resilience (Total in TSG)	250,000
Dept. of Energy – Grid Resilience	960,070
DHHS/ACF – Administration for Children and Families	748,179
EPA – Environmental Protection Agency	570,000
DOT/FHWA – Dept. of Transportation – Fed Highway Admin	1,417,695
DOT/FHWA – Dept. of Transportation Bridge Program	4,792,400
NPS – National Park Service	228,842
USDA – U.S. Dept of Agriculture – Food and Nutrition Service	255,459
DOJ – Department of Justice – *Year 2*	300,000
EEOC – Equal Employment Opportunity	32,000
IHS – Office of Tribal Self-Governance	1,008,763
SAMHSA – Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services	500,000
Various Funding Agencies for Dept. of Agriculture	217,857
State of Oklahoma – Okla. Promoting Safe & Stable Families	30,788
Award Total for 2025:	***14,026,752***

2025 *Tribal Program* Expenses	*Amount*
Tribal Court	90,191
Tax Office	192,267
Gaming Commission	410,467
TERO	342,803
Motor Fuels	103,774
Hukasa Day Care	35,403
Fire & Rescue	116,587
Natural Resources & Safety	133,329
Title VI Elderly Meals	200,548
Health & Community Services	62,663
Cattle Program	566,542
Agriculture Division and 4Bands Market	241,904
Tribal Transportation Dept.	182,631
Fitness Center	30,120
Cultural Resources	149,910
Greenhouse	125,516
Total 2025 Tribal Program *Pre-Audited* Expenses:	2,984,655

2025 *Tribal Operations* Expenses	*Amount*
Salary/Fringe	1,206,904
Fringe Benefits	203,921
Stipends	325,671
Capital Outlay	111,924
Supplies	150,813
Professional Services	588,450
Insurance/Bonding	242,630
Utilities	302,582
Travel/Training	37,029
General Government	405,657
Bank Service Charges	16,290
Indirect Cost	93,834
Space Cost	28,273
Total Pre-Audit Tribal Operations Expenses:	3,713,978



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PAWNEE NATION EDUCATION

The Pawnee Nation Education Division provides educational, vocational, and supportive services to Pawnee Nation tribal members and federally recognized tribal members residing in Pawnee County, Oklahoma. Its core mission is to equip individuals with the necessary skills to enhance their employability and contribute effectively to their communities.

2025 Data

Higher Education:
Number of Scholarships - 79
Amount of 2025 Scholarships - $129,285

Adult Education: Vo-tech/trades/certifications:
Vo-Tech Participants - 2
Trade School Participants - 1
Certification Program Participants - 5

Workforce Services:
Career Development & Job Searching - 20
Resume & Cover letter - 20
Adult Work Experience (WEX) program - 20

General Education Development:
GED Class Enrollment - 12

Summer Youth Work Experience Services:
Summer Youth (WEX) Participants - 11



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Engagements:
During the year the staff have engaged in community events such as Pawnee Nation Health Fair, ICW Child Abuse Awareness, Family Adoption and Resources Fair, and the Back-to-School bash.



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CHILDCARE LEARNING CENTER

The Pawnee Nation Learning Center provides child care services for children eight weeks of age through eight years old. We are a facility that is licensed through the Oklahoma Department of Human Services as a 5-star child care program. The Pawnee Nation Learning Center works in partnership with the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) program which operates the Pawnee Child Care Assistance program that offers child care services assistance to qualified applicants.

Criteria to be met for Applying for Childcare:
- Meet income guidelines
- Parent or child has a CDIB
- Live in-service area
- Parent must be working, attending school or in a training program

Number of Enrolled Children: 64
Staffing: 10 teachers & 1 cook
Revenue for 2025: $52,362.20
Other funding Sources: 4079 Education Budget

enrolled









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RÂHIKÛCU' GYM
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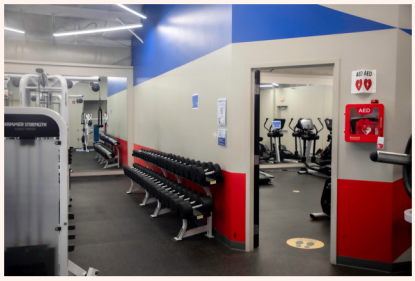
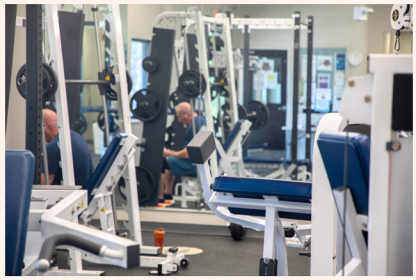
FITNESS CENTER

Râhikûcu' Gym is a unique fitness facility which provides practical lifestyle enhancements to its members in an upbeat, friendly, safe & clean environment. The facility also provides members with the latest and best equipment in fitness and promotes self-reliance, strength training, cardio exercise, and community engagement. We proudly ask you to give us a call and/or stop by the new facility to get a free tour!







2025 Report of Customers:

Total Operating Revenue: $22,015.60
Number of Paying Customers: 206

Female: 68
Male: 138

Breakdown of Ages:
Youth- 24
Adults- 162
Elders- 20



Membership	Duration	Rate
Tribal Members & Employees	Annual Bi-Annual Monthly	$200 $100 $20
Veterans and Active Duty	Annual Bi-Annual Monthly	$150 $75 $15
All Elders (55+)	Monthly	$5
Federally Recognized Tribes	Annual Bi-Annual Monthly	$250 $125 $25
Non-Native Members	Annual Bi-Annual Monthly	$300 $150 $30
Tribal & Family (up to four members)	Monthly	$75-$100



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LAW ENFORCEMENT

The current Law Enforcement staff are Chief of Police David Kanuho, Assistant Chief of Police Harold (Gene) Howell, Officer Michael (Cory) Jimboy, Officer Laura DeLaune, Officer Russell Sentel and Dispatcher/Administrative Assistant Krystal Branch. The department maintains coverage 24 hours a day/7 day a week. Officers provide daily patrols of tribal members residences in rural areas as well as residences within the city of Pawnee. Officers also provide daily patrols on the tribal businesses and casinos located within the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation.

During 2025, the Pawnee Nation Police Department responded to the following criminal offenses:

· One (1) Larceny
· Three (3) Dangerous Drug Offense
· Two (2) Duty Upon Striking Unattended Vehicle (Hit and Run)
· One (1) Criminal Mischief
· One (1) Disorderly Conduct
· One (1) Obstructing Governmental Function
· One (1) Resisting Lawful Arrest
· One (1) Assault in the 2nd Degree
· One (1) Trespass
· One (1) Intoxication
· One (1) False Reporting of Crime

There were three (3) arrests reported for the year. The police department has responded to the following non-enforcement calls for service during 2025:

· 192 Assistance to Citizens
· 77 Assistance to Other Law Enforcement Agencies
· 19 Court Processes
· 76 Public/Community Services
· 13 Traffic Warnings
· 40 Assistance to the Sick/Injured
· 14 Vehicle Accidents

During 2025, Officers logged 9,362 on-duty hours and recorded 51,231 patrolling miles.

For residents and tribal members in the Pawnee area, several public storm shelters are available during severe weather events.





PNPD Chief, David Kanuho, is the Artist behind the Pawnee Art displayed on the Police vehicles.



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DIVISION OF CULTURAL RESOURCES

The Cultural Resource Division (CRD) houses the Language Department, Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO), Native American Graves Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) offices.

Mission Statement: " To promote and preserve our Pawnee Culture through our Language, Songs, Ceremonies, and our oral and written history".



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2025 Activities:
CRD worked with Pawnee Nation College on two projects called "Voices of the Land" and the other was a cultural exchange with Indigenous tribes from Mexico
CRD receive a donation from the Quakers Friends Society in Baltimore, MD
Some of these funds were used to take our Cultural Advisory Committee to visit the Chicago Field Museum, with remaining funds used for our other events including Homecoming where we hosted Native American Rights Fund Staff, our Heritage Day Dance in October and handgames throughout the year.

- We worked with several veteran organizations to honor Pawnee Scout Kuruks Ticaris (Mad Bear) who was awarded the US Congressional Medal of Honor in 1870's
- CRD worked with AARP in honoring two of our elders during the Native American Elder awards presentation at First American Museum.
- CRD sponsors a Chief's Day during February to go along with President's Day federal holiday
- During Native American Heritage Month we sponsor a cultural exchange with some of our neighboring tribes, Pawnee Word of the Day with some of our youth speaking Pawnee, had a handgame, worked with other departments in Roc-your-Mocs event.
- We had a spring and fall cedar blessing on our campus and had a spring and fall reburial of our ancestors in Dannebrog, NE.

PAWNEE NATION LANGUAGE PROGRAM:

In 2025, the Pawnee Language Department offered Online and In-Person Language classes in the Spring and Fall. Combined, the online and in-person classes averaged 30+ students each week. The Language Lessons included everyday greetings, kinship, asking and answering questions, introductions, etc.

The Pawnee Language Department also collaborated with the Cultural Resources Division to host Culture Classes throughout the year. The Cultural Classes included a woman's singing class, traditional meal discussion, Pawnee song class, Pawnee moccasin tutorial, Young Dog Dance Rattles and ribbon skirts. It is our thought that our language and culture go hand in hand.

WORD OF THE DAY REELS 2025:
November 1 -25, 2025
64,450 views
47,569 viewers
3,921 engagement actions
49,330 impressions

ONLINE ZOOM CLASS:
November 4, 2025
3,227 views
747 viewers
94 engagement actions
2,020 impressions

Top 5 Words of the Day:

- Icatâ'u' - Bread (64.4k views)
- Tukstâpâwa'a - Let's all eat! (22.3k views)
- Tikuhrača'us (SB) /Tikûhača'us (SK) - I'm hungry! (15.9 views)
- Čikspâwa'a - Let's you and I eat! (14.2 views)
- Karâhactâhîs (SB)/Karâhactahîs (SK) - Are you thirsty? (12.5 views)



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TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE (THPO):



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- Attended a symposium at KU on digital sovereignty and traditional tribal knowledge; such as ethnobotany, ceremonies, sacred sites, etc.
- Met with the Kansas Historical Society archaeologist to go through their inventory and determine what was fine for exhibit and what artifacts might need to be repatriated. This has helped fill gaps in our knowledge on the history of Pawnee archery.
- Wrote and received interpretive signage for each building in our historic district
- Performed GPR scanning of the former Boarding School to investigate unknown and undocumented foundations. This was connected to the construction of a solar array by the Pawnee Nation College.
- Monitored site testing at 25SD8, an earthlodge town occupied from 1851-1857. This was in connection with a highway project south of Fremont, NE by NDOT.
- Visited the Crane Trust near Wood River, NE. I was trapped there for a week by a blizzard.
- Monitored the construction of a bridge east of Genoa, NE that had been built previously on a Pawnee earthlodge town, 25PT1 and 25PT31, that was occupied from 1600-1750
- Visited the Cambridge Museum in Cambridge, NE. This museum holds thousands of Pawnee artifacts from the Medicine Creek area. These Pawnee townsites were occupied from 400AD-1050AD
- Assisted in the siting and floor excavation of the Nasharo Council aka'rarata'u (earthlodge)
- Supervised and participated in an archaeological survey in preparation of sewage lagoon improvements by the Pawnee Nation. No archaeological materials were encountered and the project was cleared to proceed.
- Participated as a panelist at the Midwest Archaeological/Plains Anthropology Conference
- Met with a representative from the Chicago Field Museum and created 3d scans of the earthlodge, campground arbor, roundhouse, and community building.
- Began cleaning and prepping posts and beams for construction of the Nasharo Council aka/rarata'u

NATIVE AMERICAN GRAVES PROTECTION AND REPATRIATION (NAGPRA):



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In 2025, the Pawnee Nation has experienced a significant surge in activity related to the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), largely driven by new federal regulations that took effect in early 2024. National Park Service

Repatriated relatives, associated funerary objects, sacred objects and cultural patrimony from the following:

Indiana University
New Jersey State Museum
Colgate University
Kansas University
Heard Museum
Wichita State University
Fort Riley
History of Colorado
Bureau of Reclamation Kansa/Nebraska
Kansas State Historical Society

- 54 Total consultations.
- 12 consultations completed
- 6 consultations deferred
- 35 consultations pending
- 1 International (White Fox/Sweden)

Reburied relatives and associated funerary objects in a Fall and Spring reburial.

- 355 relatives
- 78 associated funerary objects
- 27 sacred objects and cultural patrimony

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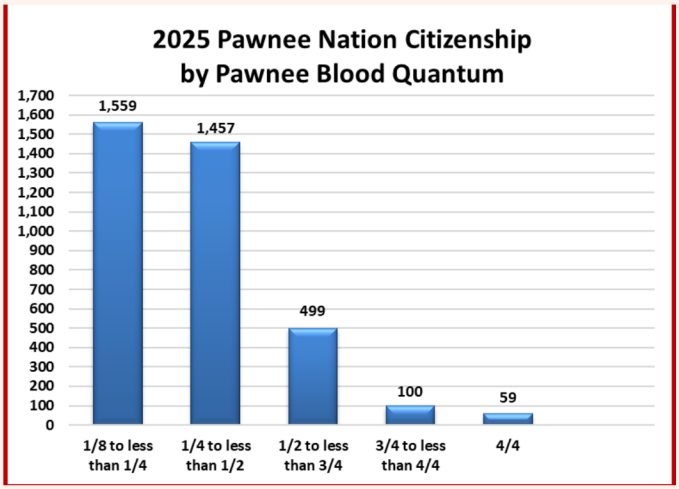
ENROLLMENT OFFICE

The Pawnee Nation Enrollment Department is responsible to safeguard the integrity of Pawnee citizenship by maintaining accurate and confidential enrollment records, delivering responsive and respectful services to our citizens, and upholding the sovereignty of the Pawnee Nation. We are committed to supporting our community through diligent recordkeeping, reliable verification services, and collaborative assistance to tribal programs, ensuring that every citizen is recognized, valued, and served with respect.

What We Do

- Maintain and update official tribal enrollment records
- Provide enrollment applications and forms, including name changes and address updates
- Process all applications for Pawnee Nation tribal citizenship and descendants
- Verify Pawnee Citizenship for Pawnee Nation departments, other tribal nations throughout Indian Country and authorized agencies.
- Process voluntary relinquishment requests submitted by Citizens
- Manage cases of dual enrollment and coordinate and process required relinquishments in accordance with tribal policy
- Issue Pawnee Tribal Citizen Certificates of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB)
- Provide Verification of Indian Preference (BIA Form 4432)
- Verify enrollment for Department of the Interior Eagle Permit applications
- Respond to enrollment-related inquiries by mail, email, fax, phone and in person
- Assist Finance Department in issuing the annual annuity payment to eligible Citizens
- Assist tribal elections by providing a listing of eligible voters to the Election Commission
- Prepare reports and statistical data for Pawnee Nation Divisions and Departments



Total Citizenship Dec 31, 2025: 3,674 Pawnee Nation Citizens.

New Enrollments: 43 citizens were added to the roll during 2025.

Full Blood Status: 59 citizens possess a Pawnee blood quantum of 4/4.

Local Residents: 552 citizens reside within the city of Pawnee, Oklahoma.

Top Five States with highest number of Pawnee Citizens:

- Oklahoma = 2,208,
- Texas = 212,
- Arizona = 141,
- Kansas = 117,
- California = 107



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DIVISION OF HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

The mission of the Division of Health and Community Services (DHCS) is to improve the overall wellness and lifestyle of Pawnee Tribal members and Native Americans within our community. DHCS accomplishes this by providing services such as health education, substance abuse counseling, nutrition, physical fitness, preservation of family, safety planning, and youth development. The Division of Health and Community Services consists of nine (programs) under (2) departments: Health & Prevention-Community Health Representatives/Health Education; Special Diabetes Program for Indians; Substance Abuse Program/Native Connections/Tribal Opioid Response; and I.H.S-Housekeeping & Grounds Maintenance and Social Services-Ti-Hirasa Domestic Violence Program; Family Services; Food Assistance; and Elder Services.

The DHCS Office oversees tribal assistance program: elders, disability, and emergency.

The Division of Health and Community Services has a Wellness Program which promotes health promotion and disease prevention through nutrition and physical activity. The Wellness Program sponsored community-wide physical fitness opportunities such as Bootcamp, Aerobics, and Yoga.

DHCS Accomplishments:

- Completed the Tribal Leadership Professional Development Certification Program
- Completed the Community Health Aide Program (CHAP) Planning Grant with the Iriratutakicisu Program Coordinator
- The Wellness Center/Gym underwent renovations including the roof sealed, gym floor, tiled floor, and painting
- Established a partnership with the new Pawnee Nation Behavioral Health Center (PNBHC)
- The Division Director Continued to participate in:
  - Pawnee Service Unit Health Board Meetings as Vice-Chair
  - Pawnee Community Summit (PCS) as Health Sub-Committee Chair
  - Pawnee County Mental Health Coalition Co-Founder
  - Serves as Chair of the Pawnee Nation Princess Committee
- I.H.S. Housekeeping & Grounds Maintenance successfully met the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) standards (with no findings) at the Pawnee Indian Health Center



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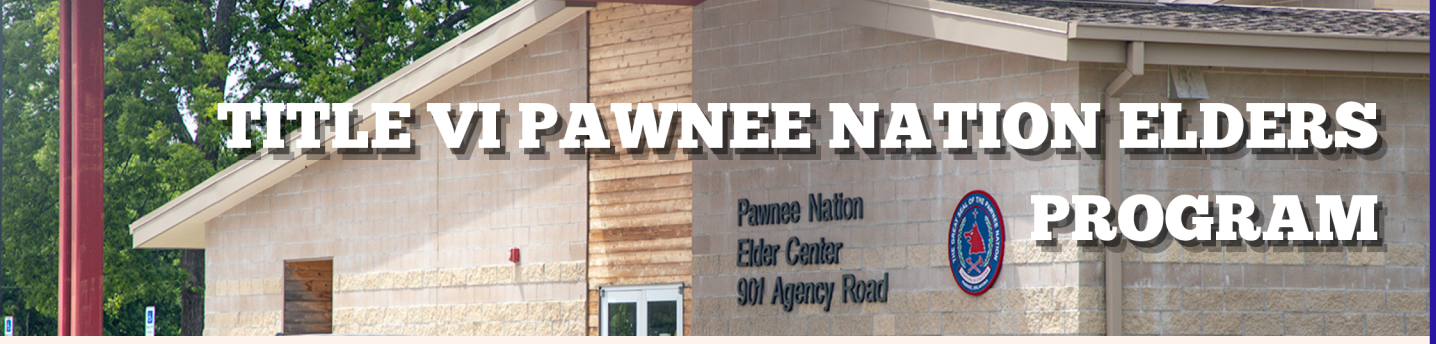

TITLE VI PAWNEE NATION ELDERS PROGRAM

The Title VI Elders Program provides nutrition services, supportive services, and family caregiver support services to elders within the Pawnee Nation service area. The program assists elders in gaining access to a nutritious noon meal; promotes socialization of older individuals by providing activities; delivers meals to home-bound individuals as well as providing a variety of caregiver services.

Program staff and volunteers serve eligible elders by delivering nutritional meals to the homebound and provide meals at two congregate sites as well as providing information/support to non-paid caregivers of our fragile elders. Congregate lunches are served on Mondays-Wednesdays from 11:30am - 1:00pm and breakfast is on Thursdays from 10:00-11:00am. Non-elders (59 years and younger) may purchase a meal for $5.00.

Title VI Staff planned the following activities for program participants.

- Intergenerational;
- Nutritional Meals;
- Peer Socialization; and
- Enhancement to improve the quality and neurological well-being of elders.

2025 Highlights:

- Served 10,472 congregate meals from January-December.
- Delivered 9,931 homebound meals from January-December.
- Collaborated with the Diabetes and Food Distribution Programs to host OKTEP monthly cooking classes with an average of (15) participants monthly.
- Collaborated with the Pawnee Indian Health Center to conduct homebound intakes, nutrition education, flu shots, dental and hearing checks, etc.
- Collaborated with other tribal programs to present and/or provide activities for the elders: BP/BS checks, chair exercises, walking, mobility, and stretching. Presenters have included Tax Office, Blue Cross Blue Shield-101 Medicare, 4 Bands, Election Commission, and Oklahoma Indian Legal Services.
- Social activities include but not limited to shopping trips, game days, library trips, and dessert classes & treats.
- Bigger activities included Mother's Day and Father's Day Cookouts, Pawnee Nation Employee Easter Egg Hunt, Pawnee Nation Health Fair, Pawnee Community Trunk or Treat, Thanksgiving and Christmas Meals with Pawnee Public Schools-NPIC and/or Language Students.









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SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM (SAP) / TRIBAL OPIOID RESPONSE /NATIVE CONNECTIONS

The Pawnee Nation Substance Abuse Program (SAP) provides educational counseling services and community prevention activities for the prevention and recovery among the eligible Indian population within the service area of Pawnee. The service area is a 35-mile radius of Pawnee. Program goals are to reduce and/or eliminate the effects of substance abuse problems; raise awareness in the community; and provide resources to program clients.

The purpose of the Tribal Opioid Response (TOR) program is to educate and raise awareness to Indian/Alaska Native Americans in the Pawnee area on the current opioid addiction crisis through health and cultural activities.

The purpose of Native Connections (NC) is to prevent suicide and substance misuse, reduce the impact of trauma, and to promote positive mental health for youth and young adults (6-24 years of age) in the Pawnee area.

Activities for 2025 and Outcomes:

- Regarding clients, (13) referred to detox; (23) suicide ideation; (23) referred to inpatient treatment; (43) were seen for counseling; (75) monthly average attended Group and Wellbriety meetings.
- NC/TOR conducted a series of Youth Leather Crafting and Fan Making classes-(39)
- NC/TOR sponsored Spring Break activities including a Scavenger Hunt, Youth/Adult Bingo, and a movie-(31) youth and (24) adults participated.
- TOR held a series of adult classes including Fan Making, Gourd Making, Shawl Making, and Bandelier Making -(15), (20), (15), and (15) participated (respectively)
- Participated in ICW's Child Abuse Awareness Event and Family Adoption & Resource Fair-(136) and (170) attended (respectively)
- Participated in the Pawnee Public School's Ag Safety Day-(200) students.
- Sponsored the annual Prevention Health Walk for the Pawnee Nation Health Fair-(231)
- Participated in the Pawnee Nation Back to School Bash-(50) youth.
- NC held a Youth Fishing Clinic Pawnee Lake-(35)
- Collaborated with the Pawnee Nation Fall Break Youth Camp-(34)
- Participated in the Recovery and Wellness Festival-(400)
- Sponsored the Red Ribbon Week Walk with Pawnee Public Schools-(365) youth and (10) adults.
- NC/TOR sponsored a Community Bingo for youth & adults-(48)
- Collaborated with Pawnee Nation Behavioral Health Clinic to conduct Wellbriety classes-average of 8 attendees per session.
- Donations were made to the Pawnee Indian Veterans (PIV) Youth Powwow, PIV Homecoming, Pawnee Bill Memorial Rodeo, and Rezcovery Powwow.



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TI-HIRASA DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM

Ti-Hirasa Domestic Violence Program includes the Domestic Violence Prevention Initiative (DVPI) and Family Violence Prevention/Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services (FVPSA). It is a confidential support service to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking. We serve all of Pawnee County regardless of age, economic status or race. We prioritize Native American women and members of the Nation. Our mission is to provide prevention and awareness and increase victim safety and offender accountability. The program provides many services including education, cultural healing, safety planning, transportation to shelter or relevant appointments, court advocacy, a victim and survivor group, anonymous phone, or text consultation and much more. We also have community events and trainings, volunteer opportunities, legal assistance, and emergency victim assistance. Our three main areas of focus are criminal justice intervention, victim services and prevention.



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2025 Highlights

- Provided program services to a total of (75) new and established clients this year.
- Provided crisis intervention, case management services and counseled victims and survivors. Assisted families with beds, bedding, clothes, hygiene items and other household necessities.
- Assisted with (11) Protective Orders; (8) were granted.
- Assisted (13) victims of abuse with legal retainer fees for custody, protective orders, and family matters to help assist in the escape of domestic violence.
- Transported (21) people to shelter, court hearings, medical appointments, and other relevant places to help the women become empowered.
- Conduct Coordinated Community Response Team (CCRT) bi-monthly meetings-(43) attended this year.
- Hosted a Chu Rahikuts "Brave Women" Group Monthly Event-(99) in attendance for the year.
- Hosted a Healing and Trauma Informed Training-(35)
- Hosted a Teen Dating Violence Lunch & Learn-(4)
- Sponsored Sexual Assault Awareness events-(267)
- Prevention Specialist completed the Certificate in Crime Victim Advocacy from Pawnee Nation College
- Sponsored Domestic Violence Awareness Events including Couple Date Night-(18), Luncheon-(270), 6 Nations Handgame-(107), and Shirt Drive-(181),
- Participated in or attended the following activities: ICW Child Abuse Awareness Event, Pawnee Nation Health Fair, Back to School Bash, Pawnee Community Trunk or Treat, ICW Family Adoption & Resource Fair, Pawnee Community Christmas Party
- Collaborated with the following: Native (NAAV), Pawnee County Healthy Coalition; and Pawnee County Mental Health Coalition.
- Donation was made to the Pawnee Indian Veterans (PIV) Youth Powwow and Pawnee Nation Princess Committee.

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INDIAN CHILD WELFARE (ICW) PROGRAM

The Pawnee Nation Indian Child Welfare (ICW) Program provides protective, supportive, and culturally informed services to Pawnee children and families. The program's mission is to prevent family separation, strengthen family systems, and ensure the safety and well-being of Pawnee children in both tribal and state jurisdictions. Core services include preventive intervention, family reunification, adoption and permanent placement support, counseling and referrals, court advocacy, and recruitment and certification of Tribal foster homes.

ICW provided case management to the following:
(40) Pawnee families
(12) intertribal families across Pawnee, Payne, Kay, Logan, Tulsa, and Canadian Counties
(62) home visits to children and families including Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF) cases.

Court activity included:
(11) in-person state hearings
(5) by telephone
(13) Pawnee Nation Tribal Court hearings

ICW participated in the following:
(13) joint investigations
(10) Family Team Meetings
(12) Child Safety Meetings
(2) Ten-Day Staffings

ICW Staff processed (76) membership eligibility requests with the Pawnee Nation Enrollment Office. ICW administered Title IV-B and PSSF funds, completing case plans and assessments and providing essential items such as diapers, wipes, bedding, car seats, pack-and-plays, and emergency kits. Supplies were kept available for families throughout the year. The ICW Program provided also direct assistance to (58) families.

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ICW hosted (3) major community events:

- Child Abuse Awareness Event-(136) attendees
- Family Adoption and Resource Fair-(170) attendees
- Angel Tree-(80) children

The program also participated in the Back to School Bash, Pawnee Nation Health Fair, Pawnee Community Truck or Treat, Pawnee Nation Learning Center Halloween event, and the Pawnee Community Christmas Party,

Program Staff completed extensive training, including Oklahoma Indian Child Welfare Association (OICWA) Conference, DHS trainings (Home Studies, CANIS, OCS), CPR/AED and First Aid, Victim Compensation, Trauma-Informed Care, Active Efforts, CPT Roundtable, Court Enrichment, NICWA, Autism, Mandatory Reporting, Cultural Safety, and Positive Indian Parenting.









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COMMUNITY HEALTH REPRESENTATIVES/HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM

The CHR/HE Office also administers the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and Community Services Block Grant (CSBG). These programs provide utility, housing, medical, dental, optometry, audiology, and prescription assistance to eligible applicants.

2025 Program Highlights include:

- (73) medication, supplies, and/or equipment deliveries
- (404) medical appointments transports
- (58) home visits

Wellness Program :

- Workout Zone-(32)

Fitness Classes:

- Bootcamp-(12)
- Yoga -(17)
- Aerobics -(8)

Event Highlights:

- Hosted a Blood Drive with the Oklahoma Blood Institute-(11)
- Participated in the ICW Child Abuse Awareness Event-(137)
- Collaborated with the Diabetes Program for Men's Health Event -(23)
- Planned and hosted the annual Health Fair -(446)
- Sponsored the Hawk Chief Fun Walk -(378)
- Collaborated with Education Division for the Back to School Bash -(50).
- Co-hosted the Medicare 101 Presentations by Blue Cross Blue Shield with Title VI -(52)
- Hosted the Breast Cancer Awareness Walk -(92)
- Fall Break youth Camp on October 15-17, 2025. -(34).
- Pawnee Community Trunk or Treat -(700).
- Family Adoption Resource Fair-(170).
- Cultural Resources Division for Roc Your Mocs & Round Dance-(123)
- Pawnee Community Christmas Party -(526)
- LIHEAP -(83)
- LIHEAP Infrastructure -(5)
- CSBG-(16)

Program Goals:

The goal of the Community Health Representative/Health Education (CHR/HE) Programs is to advocate for and enhance the quality of life of the people we serve. Program staff strive to promote awareness, guidance & counseling, and prevention of disease and/ or disability among Indian people. Target population is eligible Indian residents living within the Pawnee Tribal Service Area in Pawnee County and the city limits of Stillwater in Payne County.



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FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

The Food Distribution Program (FDP) is a federal program that provides USDA foods to low-income households, including the elderly, and to Native American families residing in designated areas near reservations and in the State of Oklahoma. Our service area is all of Pawnee County and the northern portion of Payne County. The program serves as an alternative to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as the Food Stamp Program.

For 2025, the program participation averaged around (127) per month. In September, the program started to see an increase in participation from (144) to (150) in December. Home deliveries averaged around (6) per month for the year. P

The program continued to provide around (100) food products for our participants. This includes fresh produce and frozen food items. FDP has seasonal items which are different each year. We provided red cherries, kiwi, jalapeno peppers, peaches, nectarines, red and green grapes, and clementines. Around the holiday season, we provide 5lb Smoked Pork Ham and canned sweet potatoes.

The FDP partnered with the Diabetes Program, Title VI Program, and the Oklahoma Tribal Engagement Partners (OKTEP) to have monthly cooking demonstrations. The FDP provided some of the food to be used since some of the dishes prepared were using the food we offer. Unfortunately, the cooking demonstrations had to be discontinued.

The program participated in the annual Pawnee Nation Health Fair -(466) attended the event.

The program received funding from the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) Funds. With this money, we were able to purchase breakfast meat (sausage and bacon), pork steak, hamburger patties, beef stew meat, beef chuck roast, and beef sticks. In November, the Division of Agriculture provided the program with cucumbers and red and yellow tomatoes from the Greenhouse. This was also in addition to participants' food package.



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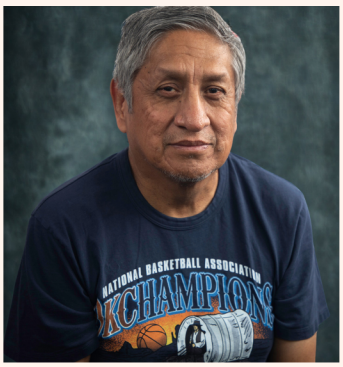

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PAWNEE NATION DIABETES PROGRAM

The Pawnee Nation Diabetes Program's overall purpose focuses on three primary areas:
1. Prevention: Best practice is Physical Activity programming for Diabetes Prevention and Care, including the DHCS Wellness Program.
2. Resources: Provide outside resources and supplemental support to meet the needs of Diabetic Clients.
3. Outreach: Provide nutrition and health education; collaboration with outside entities to raise awareness of diabetes.



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On a yearly qualified basis, clients in the Diabetes Program are eligible for prescription eyewear assistance up to $150.00 and (24) clients received eyewear assistance. A shoe assistance program is available to our clients to encourage clients to annually complete; lab work, eye exam, foot exam, dental exam, nutrition visit, and (2) glucometer downloads to be eligible. Three (3) clients completed all requirements and were issued shoe assistance.
On a monthly qualified basis, clients are eligible to receive a case of nutritional supplement, per a doctor's order, (11) clients received assistance throughout the year.

Blood glucose testing supplies such as test strips, lancets, alcohol wipes, cotton balls, band-aids are available to clients. (34) clients received assistance with testing supplies throughout the year.
All clients are eligible for one pair of socks per month, (17) clients were issued socks throughout the year. (7) clients were given Glucometers in 2025. For 2025, (43) clients received supplemental assistance for diabetic needs.

2025 Diabetes Program Activities include:

- Assisted Oklahoma Tribal Engagement Partners with Eagle Adventures Program.
- Conducted screenings at the Move with Heart event.
- Conducted Heart Healthy Screenings with Tribal Development Corporation employees.
- Assisted VAW program with Teen Dating Violence Awareness Dance.
- Participated in National Public Health Week, Billion Steps Challenge.
- Hosted Tiwari' Walking/Running Club. Screenings done quarterly.
- Hosted Massters of Gravity Health & Fitness Camp for Pawnee MS/HS students. Pre/Post screenings conducted.
- Assisted CHR with Blood Drive & Covid-19 Antibody Testing event.
- Hosted Salsa Making Class.
- Participated in Community Trunk or Treat.
- Hosted 12 Week Transformation Challenge for Pawnee Nation and Pawnee TDC employees. Pre/Post screenings conducted.
- Member of Wellness Program Committee that hosts RIPPED, FIGHT, and Yoga.

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PAWNEE NATION DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND SAFETY

The Pawnee Nation Division of Natural Resources and Safety was established and implemented in 2010 as a response to structure the "Command of Control" to a sustainable level (3-5 standard, vs 25-30 actual) for the Executive Director (E.D.). The project was funded under the Aid to Native American funding. Tribal programs and services were evaluated, departmentalized, then placed under establish Divisions. PBC advertised and filled the Division Director positions to assure capabilities to carry out the services. Division Directors were given the directive to operate under the capacities as the Executive Director did prior to the restructuring. The duties of the ED would transition from "operational" to administrative oversight and support for the newly established Divisions. The Division of Natural Resources and Safety now consists of four Departments:

- Department of Environmental Conservation and Safety,
- Department of Transportation and Safety,
- Department of Fire and Rescue, and
- Department of Emergency Management.

In 1996 the Pawnee Nation began the development of an environmental program for the Pawnee Nation primarily under funding agreements with USEPA. In 1997 the PBC adopted what was then Title 10 the Pawnee Nation Environmental Protection Act. The Act established the Department of Environmental Conservation and Safety (DECS) along with directives on structure and responsibilities. The Act also established the Environmental Regulatory Commission as a mechanism to provide both permitting and administrative enforcement of issues such as water rights, drinking water and wastewater issues supported by regulations.

PAWNEE NATION DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION AND SAFETY

The mission of the Pawnee Nation Department of Environmental Conservation and Safety (DECS) is to provide for a comprehensive-multimedia natural resource management service through policy development, education, compliance assistance, and enforcement-resulting in wise stewardship and utilization of natural resources throughout Pawnee Indian Country.

The DECS is tasked with the implementation of Title XI (Conservation Code), Title XII (Natural Resource Protection Act), and Title XIII (Energy Resource Protection Act) of the Pawnee Nation Law and Order Code.

DECS services are funded primarily by USEPA and Pawnee Nation. USEPA programs include the General Assistance Program which provides for capacity building and solid waste and hazardous materials type incident response and enforcement, CWA Section 106 which provides for water resource investigations and enforcement monitoring, and CWA Section 319 which provides for Non-Point Source pollution assessments and management.



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PAWNEE NATION DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY

The Pawnee Nation Department of Transportation and Safety (PNDOTS) strives to maintain the safety and integrity of Pawnee Nation streets, roadways and bridges, while continuing to plan and develop new strategies to ensure the continued growth and development of the Pawnee Nation transportation infrastructure.

PNDOTS receive Tribal Transportation Program (TTP) funds, formerly known as Indian Reservation Roads (IRR); for our allocations, to fund the expenses of daily operations which include planning, research, design, engineering, construction, maintenance services, and (RIFDS) road inventory.

2025 Projects & Services

- Long Range Transportation planning.
- Reviewed Oil & Gas, Right-of-Way applications.
- Performed Fleet Management activities.
- Update Pawnee Nation National Tribal Transportation Road Inventory.
- Acquire engineering and design work on approximately 28 bridges within the Pawnee Nation.
- Performed routine maintenance, including snow & ice removal.
- Implement a Transportation Safety Planning grant.



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PAWNEE NATION DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND RESCUE

The primary mission of the Pawnee Nation Department of the Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue is to protect life and property from the adverse effects of fires, medical emergencies, or exposure to dangerous conditions through fire suppression, rescue, disaster preparedness, fire prevention and community education.Requirements for Firefighters are FF1 Certification, EMR Certification, HAZMAT Ops/Tec Certifications, and designated technical rescue certifications (approx. 300 hrs. of initial training).

The Pawnee Nation Fire program was started in 1998 under an “Aid to Native American” funding which supported purchase of PPE and an Engine for structure fires. DECS staff acquired three trucks which were converted into brush truck, tanker, and command truck.



In 1999 the Pawnee Nation was awarded a ICDBG grant which supported the construction of the Fire Station (now Public Safety Center) and established itself as the Department of Fire and Rescue (DFR) Approximately 10-12 Tribal employees including the DECS staff acquired needed training to achieve IFSAC certified Fire Fighter I, Hazmat Ops, and Emergency Medical Responder (Standards for PNFR).

The DFR was placed under the Division of Natural Resources and Safety under the reorganization in 2010. Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue firefighters were dispatched to approximately 30 runs in 2025. The dispatches include Wild-land Fires, Structure Fires, Vehicle Accidents/Medical, Hazmat call, and Public Service Request. Activities also include Prevention Training, and Severe Weather events.

Pawnee Nation Department of Emergency Management

The primary mission of the Pawnee Nation Department of Emergency Management (DEM) is to assist the Pawnee Nation and its communities in preparation, mitigating, responding to and recovering from an isolated emergency to that of a long-term recovery process following a nationally declared disaster.

Significant activities of the DEM for 2025 include response and recovery efforts from wildfires which had significant impact upon homes in and around Pawnee Indian Country.

In addition, activating the Emergency Operations Center during the incident monitoring and providing for medical assistance during larger Pawnee Nation events.

Other services that Pawnee Nation Fire and Rescue provide are:

- Fire Code Enforcement
- Fire Inspections
- Fire Investigations
- Fire Prevention/Station Tours for Local Schools and Community
- Emergency Medical/CPR Training

There are approximately 8 certified firefighters. The DFR needs to acquire approx. 7 additional FFI to assure staffing requirements. We currently have 7 people taking FF1 and will keep recruiting as needed.



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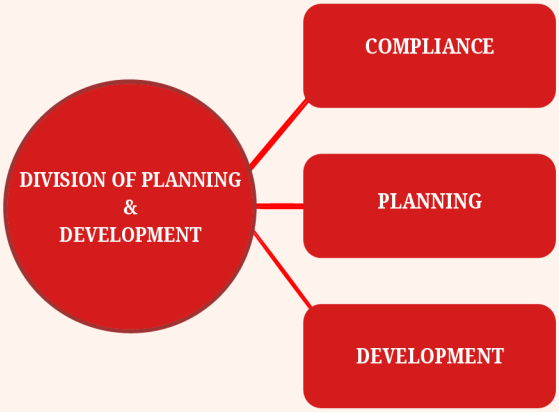
PLANNING & TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT

The Division of Planning & Tribal Development, often referred to as Planning, houses 3 pertinent departments/offices, vital to the function of the Pawnee Nation: Compliance, Planning, and Development.



· COMPLIANCE – Responsible for ensuring federal, state, & tribal compliance with grant oversight, procurement processes, and reporting.
· Planning – Assists with strategic planning, provide opportunity to develop plans such as, infrastructure, comprehensive economic development, etc., involved with policy revision and development, and provides technical assistance with various programs on the grant writing processes, including proposal review.
· Development – Provide project management, project coordination, and project guidance on all developments of the Pawnee Nation, including infrastructure, capital, capacity, etc.

Planning currently is fully staffed with 4 dedicated individuals that potentially work across departments to assist the Pawnee Nation Citizens, indirectly.

Planning works with all the divisions, to obtain funding, through various funding opportunities and agencies, to provide services to Pawnee & other tribal citizens within the service jurisdiction. In 2025 Planning participated in several projects as either team lead or co-lead for:

- USDA ReConnect 3 $ 24,996,065.00
- USDA ReConnect 4 $ 24,956,035.00
- USDA Rural Energy Pilot Program (REPP) $ 2,000,000.00
- HUD ICDBG Wastewater Enhancement Project $ 1,349,084.00
- BIA Tribal Energy Development Capacity (TEDC) $ 150,000.00
- BIA Tribal Climate Resilience $ 250,000.00
- SG Home Improvement Program $ 60,000.00
- EDA Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) $ 180,000.00
- DOE Grid Resilience $ 960,070.00



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PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

The Pawnee Nation Division of Property Management had (16) full-time employees in 2025. A lot of the work was poured into grounds maintenance to maintain the Pawnee Nation Campus during mowing season. Operations also include maintaining the Pawnee Cemeteries. In 2025, Property purchased a canopy for tribal citizens to use during funerals, which will help save in cost at the funeral home and assisting (17) Pawnee families.

The Property Director, Assistant and Water Tech assist with extra pay duties with the Pawnee Nation Utility Commission. Duties include sending and receiving payments for utilities (water, sewer, trash) and working with the Utility Commissioners on reporting and meeting facilitation. There are (9) water meters and revenue collected for the year was $3,845.51.

Property Expenditures:

- Building Maintenance: (24 buildings) $105,500
- Professional Services: $80,000
- Preventive Maintenance: $25,500
- Pawnee Arts Center (Nebraska) new roof: $47,234
- Supplies for Departments: $111,421
- Electricity: $290,000
- Heating: $100,000

Revenue:

- Building Rentals: total (63) $6,750

Nebraska Facilities: (3) homes, (1) log cabin, (1) art center

- Rent home - $15,000
- Art Center Rent - $1,800

**The other homes & cabin are still occupied by the original owners who have lifetime use of the property.



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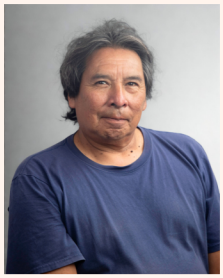

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PAWNEE NATION DISTRICT & SUPREME COURTS

The Pawnee Nation Court District and Supreme Courts are a separate branch of the Pawnee Nation Government as outlined in the Pawnee Nation Constitution and By-Laws; to provide for the establishment of a Law and Order and Judicial system to "protect peace, safety, health and welfare of the members of the Pawnee Tribe". The Judicial Branch of the Pawnee Nation is comprised of the Pawnee Nation District Court and the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court is the Nation's highest court with appellate jurisdiction over cases appealed from the District Court. The Supreme Court is the final authority on the Constitution and Law of the Pawnee Nation.



The new Courthouse, pictured, is an upgraded facility to accommodate



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The Office is closed for lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.
The Courthouse is closed on all tribal and federal holidays.



PAWNEE NATION ATTORNEY GENERAL

In 2025, the Office of the Attorney General continued its efforts to support the Pawnee Nation, the Pawnee Business Council, the President, Human Resources, the Election Commission, the Enrollment Committee, and other entities within the Nation. The Office provided legal review, counsel, and support across various domains, including governance, contracts, policy development, federal funding, and matters impacting the Nation's sovereignty and long-term institutional resilience.

Throughout the year, the Attorney General's Office diligently monitored and supported several significant legal matters. These included ongoing collaboration with external counsel in the case of Pawnee Nation v. EPA in the Tenth Circuit, where the Nation continued to advocate for the protection of its interests in connection with federal environmental review and consultation processes. Additionally, the Office continued to serve as local counsel in litigation involving damage caused by oil exploration, encompassing matters related to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Crown Energy, and associated lease disputes. During 2025, the Pawnee Business Council and the Attorney General's Office commenced research and addressed issues pertaining to forced fee patents issued in the early 1900s that depleted the Pawnee Nation's land base.

In the realm of governance, the Attorney General's Office diligently reviewed resolutions from the Pawnee Business Council to ascertain their legal sufficiency. Furthermore, the Office actively participated in Council and committee meetings, providing legal counsel to elected officials and Nation departments. Additionally, the Office assisted in the legal review of contracts, agreements, settlement documents, loan documents, and other official materials. The Office collaborated with Nation leadership on various tribal business agreements, contract templates, funding sources, internal controls, and initiatives aimed at ensuring that contracts undergo proper review channels before approval.

Throughout the year, the Office supported several special projects, including the review of commercial contracts, compliance with federal grant requirements, opioid settlement reporting, intellectual property matters related to Pawnee Nation Behavioral Health, work conducted by the Constitution Committee, legal interpretation related to elections, internal policy review, and updates to procedures involving wills and probates. The Office also assisted in the review of third-party contractors, federally funded programs, and intergovernmental cooperation matters.

The Attorney General's Office is honored to continue serving the Pawnee Nation. The work of 2025 demonstrated a steadfast commitment to sovereignty, sound governance, meticulous legal review, and the safeguarding of the Nation's people, lands, and institutions. The Office eagerly anticipates continuing this work in collaboration with the Pawnee Business Council, Nation leadership, departments, committees, and Pawnee citizens in the coming year.



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PAWNEE NATION COLLEGE

Building Strong Minds, Honoring Strong Traditions

A journey rooted in heritage and driven by excellence.



In 2025, Pawnee Nation Behavioral Health marked a transformative year in advancing healing, hope, and access to care for our people and surrounding communities. As a newly established, tribally driven behavioral health facility, our mission has remained clear: to provide high-quality, culturally grounded care that meets individuals where they are and walks with them on their journey to recovery.

Since June 16th, 2025, we have had 314 inquiries, 218 assessments, and 175 admissions into our facility. We have served 49 non-native, 103 Native, 23 Pawnee Nation clients.
Throughout the year, we expanded our reach and deepened our impact by delivering comprehensive behavioral health services within our 21,000-square-foot facility in Pawnee, Oklahoma. Our programs including residential treatment, outpatient services, and culturally informed care that serve individuals and families facing substance use and mental health challenges. By integrating evidence-based practices with traditional teachings, we have created a model of care that honors both clinical excellence and cultural identity.

A cornerstone of our approach in 2025 has been the intentional integration of cultural programming into treatment. Through Wellbriety principles, talking circles, and traditional practices such as sweat lodge ceremonies, our patients are reconnecting with identity, purpose, and community. This holistic approach recognizes that healing is not only physical and mental, but also spiritual. Culture is not an add-on to treatment it is a vital part of the recovery process.

We also focused on building strong relationships and referral networks across Indian Country and beyond. By engaging with tribal partners, healthcare providers, hospitals, and community organizations, we have increased awareness of our services and improved access to care for those who need it most. These partnerships are critical in addressing the ongoing behavioral health disparities faced by Native communities.

Behind this progress is a dedicated and growing team of professionals committed to making a difference. From clinical staff to cultural advisors, our team brings compassion, expertise, and a shared purpose to the work each day. We have invested in workforce development and training to ensure that our services remain responsive, culturally competent, and effective.

While we celebrate the milestones achieved in 2025, we also recognize the challenges that remain. Barriers such as stigma, workforce shortages, and limited access in rural areas continue to impact those seeking care. However, these challenges strengthen our resolve to expand services, innovate our approach, and advocate for lasting change.



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PAWNEE TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

2025 was an exciting time for Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation (PTDC).

Trading Post Casino was closed for two weeks for remodel and casino floor expansion. The grand reopening revealed the rebrand to **StoneWolf Casino – Pawnee**, boasting a total of 87 of the newest games along with old favorites. A new 5' x 12' double faced and illuminated sign was installed with the new name.
Casino hours are Sunday-Thursday 10 AM – 12 AM and Friday-Saturday 10 AM – 2 AM
Fuel is available 24/7 and is pay at the pump only.

Tee Pee Casino was rebranded to **StoneWolf Casino – Yale**. A new 5' x 12' double faced and illuminated sign was installed with the new name. StoneWolf – Yale has 34 of the greatest games available!
Casino Hours are Sunday – Thursday 10 AM – 10 PM and Friday – Saturday 10 AM-12 AM

StoneWolf Casino refreshed its gaming floor and currently has 317 of the best games on the market! Outside, StoneWolf Park features a stage and electricity to host concerts and other fun events for the whole family. Visit stonewolfcasino.com/promotions for details on current promotions.
Casino is open 7 days a week, 10 AM – 2 AM.

The **Wolf Sports Grille** offers daily food specials, themed buffets, and beer specials all while broadcasting your favorite sporting events on 12 big screen televisions, including the massive 12' x 7' video wall.
Grill hours are Sunday – Thursday 11 AM - 9 PM and Friday - Saturday 11 AM - 10 PM
Bar is open Sunday – Thursday 11 AM – 12 AM and Friday-Saturday 11 AM-2 AM.

Arrow Stop 1 – the travel plaza located at StoneWolf casino, provides a place to fuel up, grab a snack, or shower.
Mazzio's pizza is available from 6AM – 8PM
Store hours are 6 AM – 11 PM, 7 days a week. Fuel is available 24/7.



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Arrow Stop 2 (often referred to as Snak n Pak) continues to be a hub for the local Pawnee community, offering fresh deli food 5 AM – 9 PM daily. Store hours are Sunday 6 AM – 11 PM, Monday - Thursday 5 AM -11 PM, and Friday – Saturday 5 AM – 12 AM. Fuel is available 24/7.

In 2025, Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation paid $2,268,278.01 directly to Pawnee Nation. These payments include:

- Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma* $2,080,626.93
- Gaming Commission (Application Fees/ Facility Licenses) $25,820.00
- Pawnee Nation Tax & Liquor Commissions $161,831.08

*Direct payments to the Nation include PTDC Direct Distribution, Property Rental, Water Utilities, and Donations.

Pawnee TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

141 Total Employees

Enrolled Pawnee:	Pawnee Descent:
20 (14.2%)	9 (6.4%)

Other Tribes:	Non-Native:
10 (7.1%)	102 (72.3%)

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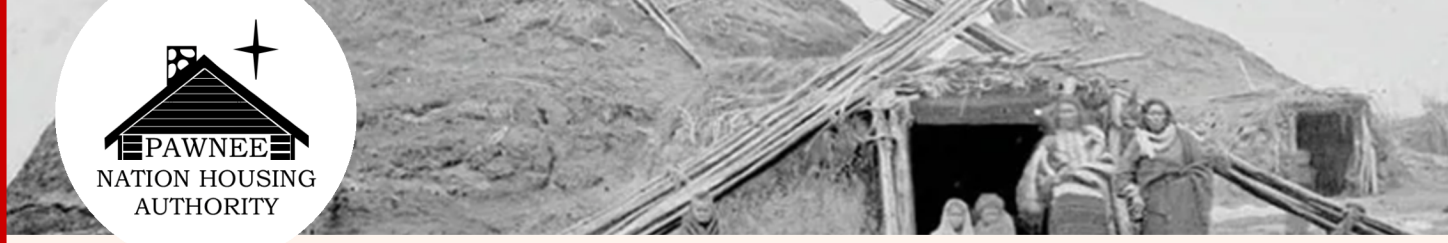

PAWNEE
NATION HOUSING
AUTHORITY

MISSION STATEMENT: It is the mission of the Pawnee Nation Housing Authority (PNHA) to meet the housing needs of the Pawnee Nation's members and other Native Americans living in the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation.

The Housing Authority is the Tribally Designated Housing Authority for the Pawnee Nation and administers the NAHASDA Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) funds to provide housing and housing services for low-income applicants.
The 2025 IHBG Grant Amount: $969,965

SERVICES PROVIDED:

- NAHASDA Low-income housing and Lease Purchase housing.
- Non-NAHASDA housing and Lease Purchase housing - Open rentals without income restrictions.
- Down Payment Assistance for first-time Homebuyers
- Rent and Utility Assistance
- Rental Assistance for College Students
- Assistance for Youth Activities

Current PNHA inventory: (33) NAHASDA (low-income) units, (17) non-NAHASDA (over-income) units, (2) NAHASDA Lease Purchase units, and (2) non-NAHASDA Lease Purchase Units.

RURAL ENERGY PILOT PROGRAM
REPP

The Pawnee Nation was awarded the Rural Energy Pilot Program grant in 2023. In late 2025, Energy Coordinator Kameron Brown was brought on to oversee the program's phases, including the design and pre-construction of the solar farm and the installation planning for solar battery backup systems. The grant originally included a geothermal project aimed at repurposing abandoned oil wells; however, this component was determined to be unfeasible. With approval from the USDA, funds were reallocated from the geothermal project to expand and enhance the solar array initiative. Construction is scheduled to begin in the summer of 2026.



The PNHA Board of Commissioners partnered with the consulting firm See Renewal throughout 2025 to develop the Pawnee Nation Housing Authority Strategic Housing, Land Acquisition, and Use Plan. This plan is intended to guide future development and support long-term housing and land use goals for the community.

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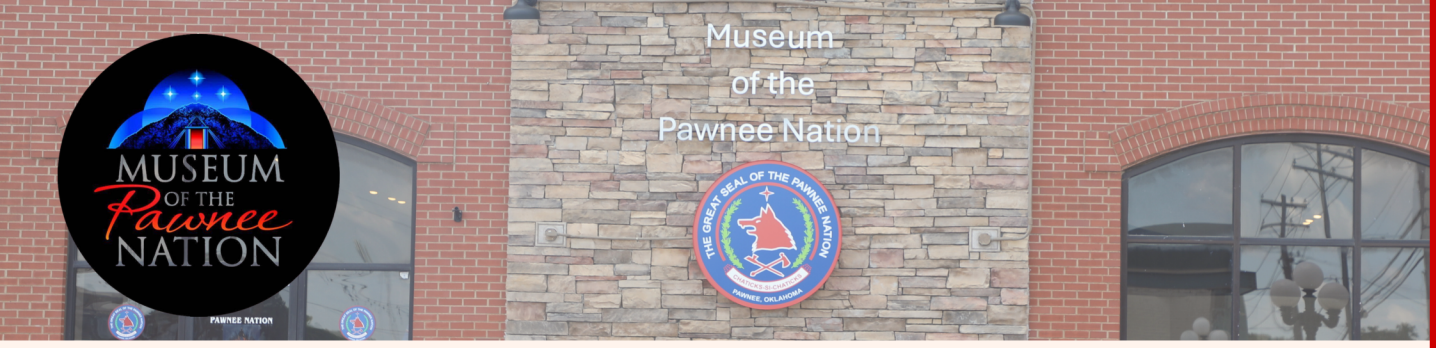

In 2025, the Museum of the Pawnee Nation, located at 657 Harrison Street in Pawnee, Oklahoma, continues to serve as a vital hub for preserving and sharing the heritage of the Pawnee people. Key 2025 Highlights & Exhibits

- Ribbon-Cutting Event: A special ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on July 3, 2025, marking a significant milestone for the museum with the unveiling of the new sign, lights and Pawnee Nation Seal.
- Featured Exhibits:
  - Homecoming: A Story of Resilience and Repatriation: This exhibit details the journey of repatriating Pawnee remains and items, centering on the narrative of White Fox.
  - Historical Pawnee Indian Veterans Homecoming Programs: An exhibit honoring the service of Pawnee veterans.
  - Dioramas: Rotating displays often include detailed dioramas like the Thunder Ceremony and the Morning Star Sacrifice.
- Unique Artifacts: Items of interest include a signed glove once owned by legendary Pawnee baseball player Moses Yellowhorse.





Visit the Museum of the Pawnee Nation

Office hours:
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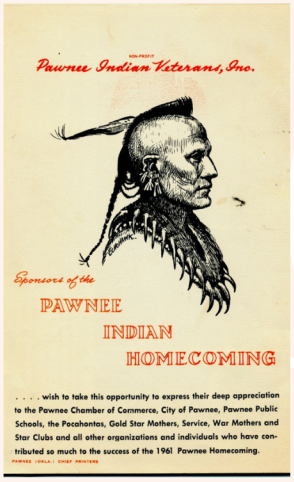

PAWNEE VETERANS ORGANIZATION

The Pawnee Indian Veterans Organization was formed in dedication to all Pawnee Veterans. The group was established to carry on the legacy of the Pawnee scouts, who served with the U.S. army beginning in 1864.

The organization is central to many cultural and commemorative events for the Pawnee veterans community.





Current Leadership: President Marvin "Paul" Hand, Vice President Sean Williams, Secretary Dustin Dunbar, Treasurer Keller Roaming Warrior, Flagman Sky Seeing Leading Fox, Drum Keeper Patrick Leading Fox and Head Cook, Electa Hare.

Pawnee Indian Veterans Homecoming Powwow is an annual 4-day event that began in 1946 and is held every july on the weekend closest to the 4th of july. It features dance contests, a downtown parade, and a princess contest.

SEASONAL DANCES FOR 2025 INCLUDED: MEMORIAL DANCE, VETERANS DANCE, CHRISTMAS DANCE, AND THE FALL EQUINOX DANCE

2025 Events

- 79th Annual Pawnee Indian Veterans Homecoming Powwow: The 2025 homecoming is scheduled for July 3–6, 2025. This hallmark event typically includes flag raisings, a downtown parade, and various dance contests.
- Annual Veterans Day Dance: The organization will host its annual dance on November 11, 2025, starting at 12:00 PM at the Pawnee Nation Roundhouse.
- Fall Equinox Feast and Dance: This event was held on September 20, 2025, hosted by the organization and featuring a noon meal and traditional dances.
- Ghost Storytelling Night: A unique event sponsored by the organization was held on September 3, 2025, at the Roundhouse, featuring a meal and traditional storytelling.
- "Honoring Our Youth" Powwow: This event took place earlier in the year on February 16, 2025, at the Pawnee Nation Wellness Center.







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Pawnee Indian Veterans Homecoming Princess 2024-2025



Isabelle Leading Fox

Isabelle Bayhylle Leading Fox, Čîsâri Čahiks, is the incoming 2026-2027 Pawnee Nation Princess and the youngest daughter of Patrick Leading Fox Sr. and Victoria Leading Fox. Her siblings include three sisters, Jessica, Skidi, and Sky Seeing Leading Fox, and brother Patrick Leading Fox Jr.

Isabelle is a 17-year-old senior at Pawnee High School and is finishing her first year at Meridian Technology Center in the Health Careers Program, focusing on Medical Core, Certified Nursing Aide, and Home Health Aide courses. She is a member of Pawnee High School's Northern Plains Indian Club. She actively participates in Meridian Technology Center student organization HOSA - Future Health Professionals, formerly known as Health Occupations Students of America.

Isabelle Leading Fox is honored and grateful to represent the Pawnee Nation in Indian Country, and is proud to continue to carry her cultural identity with pride. Isabelle and her family would like to extend sincere gratitude towards our Pawnee people for nurturing her in our age of Pawnee culture and guiding her towards this journey of life lessons, memories, and, of course, service.

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Hello, my name is Skye Malinda Harragarra-Harms. My Jiwere-Nut'achi name is Che K'o Manyimi, which means Thunder Buffalo Woman. I am a member of the Pîtahawirâta band on my maternal side. My father was a member of the Cawi band and he served as a Cawi Chief. I am Pawnee, Otoe-Missouria, and Kiowa. I am also of Cherokee, Lower Brule Sioux, and Arikara descent. My parents are the late Robin Harms and Wynema Harragarra-Harms.

My paternal grandfather is Lewis Peters – Only A Chief. My paternal grandmothers are Norma Bettes and Nancy Jo Peters – Only A Chief. On my maternal side, my grandfathers are Kirby Harragarra Sr. and the late Ronald Watashe Sr., while my grandmothers are Grace Watashe and Eva Harragarra. My paternal great-grandfather is Jim Peters, and my great-grandmother is Minnie Saunders-Peters. On my maternal side, my great-grandfathers are Wilbur Harragarra, George Arkeketa, and Amos Dukes Hopkins. My great-grandmothers are Reggie Moore-Wilson and Malinda "Bink" Hadley-Arkeketa. I am the great-great-granddaughter of Chief Moses Harragarra, the last hereditary Otoe-Missouria Buffalo Clan provider Chief, who was married to Mary McGlaslin-Harragarra.



Skye Che K'o Manyimi Harragarra-Harms



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Their dedication to local events was further highlighted through their contributions to the Pawnee County Jr. Livestock Show trophy auction. Additionally, the chapter played a crucial role in the annual Pawnee Indian Veterans Organization homecoming and powwow in July 2025, managing concession stands and ensuring the event's success. By coordinating desserts for dances and preparing meals for bereaved veterans' families, the War Mothers consistently showed their compassionate spirit. Their year-round raffles not only sustained these initiatives but also underscored their relentless commitment to serving their community and honoring their veterans.







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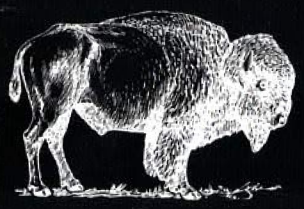

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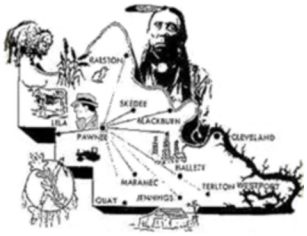

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