



SNOQUALMIE TRIBE UPDATES & EVENTS

September 2021

Fiscal Year 2022

The fiscal year ends on September 30, 2021. Applications for TCR to use this year's funds must be received before September 30, 2021. This deadline also applies to those who have used the Funeral Attendance benefit. Funding for TCR resets on October 1, 2021, and any future requests or receipts must be dated on or after October 1, 2021.

Administration Updates

Reminder that the Emergency Assistance program changes allow for funding to rollover for four years. Any remaining funds in FY21 will roll over automatically to FY22.

While the State of Emergency remains in place, after school activities such as swim lessons, music lessons, soccer classes/camps can be covered under your student's education benefit (K-12 or early education)—these activities do not need to be associated with your child's school. When the state of emergency is lifted these expenses will move back to the TCR program.

General Welfare Child Care applicants, it is time of our annual re-apply for the program. You should be receiving an email shortly from the Child Care Clerk, Maleeha Martinez. Completed applications should be sent to childcare@snoqualmietribe.us

Veteran Vehicle Ride Share Program will be open to all Tribal Veterans starting October 1, 2021. To register for the program and make a reservation to use the vehicle, at no cost, please see the Veterans page on the Tribal Website.

Baby Corner Program. The Tribe's partnership is back open and running with a contactless locker pick up available at the Tribal Center on the Administration Campus. Baby Corner now has fall/winter clothing bundles available for the season. Baby Corner forms can be found on the website and submitted to the Childcare Clerk Maleeha Martinez at childcare@snoqualmietribe.us

COVID-19 Protocols for Sports Events. Lumen Fields now requires proof of vaccination or negative test results within 72 hours of a home game. The Climate Pledge Arena also requires proof of vaccination or negative test results within 48 hours for individuals medically exempt from vaccination. All attendees and guests must meet these requirements or request to be removed from the ticket distribution.

Want to attend a Snoqualmie Tribal Council Meeting?

Enrolled Adult Snoqualmie Tribal Members are welcome to attend Snoqualmie Tribal Council Meetings.

Meetings usually occur every Thursday, via Zoom, and start approximately at 10 AM.

If you would like to attend, please e-mail secretary@snoqualmietribe.us

Culture Classes Update

The Culture Department is excited to announce that there will be upcoming Culture Classes this Fall. Culture Classes on Zoom will be offered on the Culture Website, at the link found below. Please check the website often for any updates.

If you have any questions about attendance or supplies, please contact culture@snoqualmietribe.us

Snoqualmie Tribe Culture Website
culture.snoqualmietribeweb.us/

Tire Drop-Off Recycle Event

This month, the Tribe's ENR Department is partnering with the City of North Bend to clean up used tires on North Bend property. As part of this event, ENR is offering a free recycling opportunity to Snoqualmie Tribal Members and Tribal staff.

Tribal Members and staff can drop off used tires at the Snoqualmie Tribal Administration campus every day between **September 8 and September 14**. Mask wearing and social distancing are required for visitors on campus, but a negative COVID-19 test is not required.

For questions, please contact the ENR Director, Cindy Spiry at cindy@snoqualmietribe.us

Consignment Artist of the Month

Calling all woodworkers! Do you make walking sticks or wood chimes? We would love to offer your creations for others to purchase in the Sno Shoppe! Contact Sno Shoppe Supervisor, Shawna Cano, at scano@snocasino.com for more information.

Great news, if you missed Michele Wood's jewelry last month. You can find it at the Crescent Market for the next two months!

Let's continue to support fellow Tribal Members.

Tribal Community Garden Update

This time of year, when the plants are still dry, we are collecting seed from the Community Garden. We have plenty of next year's seeds to share from pollinator-friendly plants like Calendula, Cosmos, Coreopsis and Puget Sound Gumweed. If you are interested in having a seed packet sent to you in the mail, or would like more information, please contact Jennifer Hartke by email at jennifer.hartke@snoqualmietribe.us

Snoqualmie Tribal Member Sponsorship Program

Thank you to everyone who applied to the Snoqualmie Casino's Snoqualmie Tribal Member Sponsorship Program. We are proud to support the following recipients for the second half of this year:

Staci Moses, for Western Washington BCA, and Jeff Repin, for Repin Racing. May it be a successful competition year for you.

Applications for 2022 will open on January 1, 2022.

Ancestral Lands Movement Update

Are you interested in receiving materials to share with friends, family, coworkers or others to help educate others about recreating respectfully?

The Snoqualmie Tribe Ancestral Lands Movement is providing Supporter Packets for handing out that include stickers, window clings, and paper materials to learn about the Ancestral Lands Movement.

If you want to help to distribute Supporter Packets, please contact the Governmental Affairs Dept at gasp@snoqualmietribe.us



Harvesting Outings

Mushroom season is just around the corner! The Culture Department continues to invite Tribal Members and family to participate in harvesting outings. The outings will be on an appointment basis with limited numbers per group to maintain social distancing measures. Please contact Wayne Graika at **425-449-6630** or at wayne.graika@snoqualmietribe.us

Freshwater Mussel Update

The Snoqualmie Tribe's Environmental and Natural Resources Department (ENR) is leading the way in freshwater mussel conservation in King County!

ENR Policy Analyst, Matt Baerwalde, recently collaborated with Stillaguamish Tribe staff to put on a joint field training session on freshwater mussel conservation for King County and tribal biologists, held on the Snoqualmie River. Through ENR's work we have learned we have at least 2 different species of freshwater mussels in the Snoqualmie watershed, one of which, the Western Pearlshell (*Margaritifera falcata*), can live to be 80-100 years old!

These amazing animals rely on fish for part of their life cycle, and the extensive population ENR has documented in the Snoqualmie River help to enhance water quality by filtering huge amounts of water every day they feed.



Juvenile freshwater mussel from the Snoqualmie River

UW: Tribal Gaming & Financial Management Virtual Program

Congratulations to the following Tribal Members who completed the 4-week long online program through the University of Washington's Foster School of Business: Angela Young, Jairus Wood, Stephanie Koplín, and Troy Wyatt!