

# WASHOE TRIBE OF NEVADA AND CALIFORNIA



## March 17, 2020 — Public Announcement on COVID-19

All Washoe Tribal Members and Residents,

As the Vice-Chairman of the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California and on behalf of the Tribal Council, I would like to assure you that the Washoe Tribal Administration is doing everything within its capability to protect our Tribal communities from the outbreak of the COVID-19. We should approach this in a calm and responsible manner. We are working diligently, collaboratively, and in coordination with the Washoe Tribal Health Clinic, Tribal Administration, and Emergency Management Services. Washoe Tribal Police Department and Administration are here to protect the health, safety, and welfare of all individuals within the exterior boundaries of the Washoe Tribal Reservation. Please be aware of the following bullet points and how they relate to you.

- All Nevada Schools have been closed until April 6, 2020 per Governor Steve Sisolak and the Nevada State of Emergency.
- People at higher risk of severe illness should stay home and away from large groups of people as much as possible, including public places with gatherings of more than 10 people where there will be close contact with others. People at higher risk include:
  - People 60 and older, people with underlying health conditions including heart disease, lung disease, or diabetes, people who have weakened immune systems and those who are pregnant
- All non-essential Tribal personnel are now working from home but our central line and individual phones will be answered as they're forwarded to appropriate cells and land lines - 775.265.8600
- Clinic staff can be reached at 775.265.8622 and 90 day prescriptions can be filled as needed at 775.265.9248. If you leave a message, you will be called back.  
**PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL TO OUR CLINIC STAFF! THEY ARE WORKING 12-14 HOURS A DAY AND NON CLINICAL STAFF HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED TO SCREEN, WATCH CHILDREN AND CONTINUALLY DISINFECT. SO PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL.**
- Those affected by school closures, and have been deemed critical staff, may drop their children between the hours of 7:30 and 5:30 pm, at the Dresslerville Gym, effective 3/18/20. All non-essential staff should NOT drop off their children and practice social distancing. We must have staff, food and cleaning to keep our children on site, so do not drop them unnecessarily.

The Tribe will do its best to keep the Tribal and Community Members informed on the most up-to-date and accurate information regarding the COVID•19.

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