



# National UNITY CONFERENCE

**July 5 – 10, 2017 | Denver Convention Center | Denver, Colorado**

## **DRAFT AGENDA**

*“Theme TBA”*

**#UNITYDenver2017**

**Wear your conference badge at all times!**

### **WEDNESDAY, JULY 5 (PRE-CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES) – HYATT REGENCY**

- 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Youth Leaders Training and Prep (NUC male and female reps, EC, Earth Ambassadors)
- 1:00 p.m. Registration for UNITY Today’s Native Leaders Summit (Space Limited on July 6)
- 7 pm - 10 pm **(TENTATIVE)** Welcome Social Powwow sponsored by the Local Planning Committee
- 9 - 10 pm Youth Leaders Meeting/Prep for TNL National Summit
- 12:00 a.m. Curfew/Lights out! (Daily)

### **THURSDAY, JULY 6 (THEME: SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT)**

- 8:30 a.m. **Kick-Off UNITY Today’s Native Leaders National Summit**  
Agenda TBA (*must register separately*)
- 10:00 a.m. National UNITY Conference Registration Opens
- 3:00 p.m. UNITY 101 - Learn about UNITY and find out how you can get more involved
- 5:15 p.m. Lighting of the UNITY Fire
- 6:15 p.m. Dinner Break (on your own)
- 7:00 p.m. Grand Entry Line Up - Male & Female Reps (Wear your regalia!)
- 7:15 p.m. Opening Ceremony - Grand Entry!  
Parade of Nations by Region
- 7:45 p.m. Welcome/Call to Order - NUC Co-Presidents
- 7:55 p.m. Blessing/Cultural Presentation
- 8:05 p.m. Welcome Remarks - Presenting Sponsor
- 8:10 p.m. Introductions of the National UNITY Council Executive Committee
- 8:20 p.m. UNITY NEWS!



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- 8:25 p.m. Welcome Remarks - Introduction of Council of Trustees
- 8:30 Roll Call of Regions–National UNITY Council Secretary
- 8:35 p.m. Fun & Games/Team building – Clans
- 8:35 p.m. Advisors Meeting TBA
- 10:30 p.m. Closing/Announcements (Youth Leaders Debrief)
- 12:00 a.m. Curfew/Lights out! (Daily)  
No UNITY Fire visits after 12 am (will resume at 6 am)

## **FRIDAY, JULY 7 (THEME: SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT)**

- 7:00 a.m. Fitness 40 Event
- 8:15 a.m. UNITY Drum
- 8:30 a.m. General Session
- 9:30 a.m. NUC Executive Committee - Initiative
- 10:00 *Wellness Warriors - How can you become a Wellness Warrior?*
- 10:45 UNITY Fire - Creating a UNITY Fire in your community
- 11:30 am Lunch Break (on your own)
- 12:45 p.m. DJ Music - Emcee One (Marcus Guinn), *Osage/Potowatomi*
- 1:00 p.m. General Assembly
- 1:30 p.m. - Area Caucuses
- 2:35 p.m. Return to Ballroom
- 2:45 p.m. Announcement of Earth Ambassadors Class of 2017-2018
- 3:30 p.m. - Meeting of Advisors and Chaperones
- 3:30 p.m. Clans - Team Building
- 4:40 p.m. Debrief - Trainer
- 5:00 p.m. Dinner Break



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- 6:15 pm DJ Music - Emcee One (Marcus Guinn), *Osage/Potowatomi*
- 6:45 p.m. UNITY Drum  
Dancers Line Up for Grand Entry
- 6:30 p.m. The Spirit of Native Culture (a cultural exchange)
- 10:00 p.m. Announcements/Adjourn
- 12:00 a.m. Curfew/Lights out! (Daily)  
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## **SATURDAY, JULY 8 (THEME: PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT)**

- 7:00 a.m. Fitness 40 Event
- 8:15 a.m. UNITY Drum
- 8:30 a.m. General Session  
Special guests Presentation - "Vox" Nativa Indigenous Youth Delegation from Taiwan
- 9:45 a.m. Speeches - Candidates for Male and Female Co-President
- 10:00 a.m. Dreams do come true - Building a UNITY National Indian Youth Leadership Center
- 10:00 a.m. Advisors Training
- 10:45 a.m. Keynote Speaker
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch on your own
- 1:00 p.m. FREE TIME  
Fitness Activities  
3 on 3 Basketball tournaments
- 6:15 pm DJ Music - Emcee One (Marcus Guinn), *Osage/Potowatomi*
- 6:30 p.m. Talent Night
- 10:00 p.m. Announcements/Adjourn (Youth Leaders Debrief)
- 12:00 a.m. Curfew/Lights out! (Daily)  
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## SUNDAY, JULY 9 (THEME: MENTAL DEVELOPMENT)

- 7:00 a.m. Fitness 40 Activity TBA
- 8:15 a.m. UNITY Drum
- 8:30 a.m. General Session
- 9:00 a.m. Elder's Panel - What is cultural wellness?
- 10:00 a.m. "Today's Native Leaders" Plenary Session
- 10:00 a.m. Meeting of Advisors and Chaperones
- 10:30 am Energizer/reminder about UNITY Fire sign-up
- 10:40 a.m. Workshops and Career & Education Expo
- 10:40 a.m. National UNITY Council Business Meeting - Mandatory for male and female reps
- 10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Track/Workshops -- Session #1
- 11:45 a.m. Lunch Break (on your own)
- 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Workshops (Session #2)
- 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Meeting of Advisors and Chaperones
- 2:05 p.m.- 3:05 p.m. Workshops (Session #3)
- 3:05 p.m. Free time/Get ready for banquet!
- 5:30 p.m. Line up for banquet begins
- 6:00 p.m. Doors Open  
Pre-Show Entertainment
- 6:30 p.m. 41st Anniversary Gala  
-UNITY Drum  
-Blessing/UNITY Fire offering  
-DINNER  
UNITY NEWS: UNITY Conference Highlights  
-3 on 3 awards



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- Presentations by UNITY Trustees
  - Honoring Sponsors
  - Golda Cook Scholarship winners
  - Eddie Wadda UNITY Alumni Award
  - J.R. Cook Advisor of the Year
  - Youth Council of the Year
- UNITY's Dream Your Dream
- Recognition of outgoing Executive Committee Members
- Installation of new National UNITY Council Officers
- Raffle/Live Auction: UNITY Founders Blanket
- Text #Give2UNITY
- Evaluation Instructions
- Honor Song

9:00 p.m. DJ/Dance

12:00 a.m. Curfew/Lights out! (Daily)  
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## MONDAY, JULY 10

9:00 a.m. General Session

9:20 a.m. Keynote Speaker

10:00 a.m. Friendship Circle

11:00 a.m. Closing Ceremony at UNITY Fire

11:45 p.m. Adjourn

12:00 p.m. Optional Activities/Travel Day

12:00 p.m. Orientation for Newly elected NUC Executive Committee

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Post Conference Training - Limited Space (must pre-register)  
“Communications Boot Camp 101”  
Hosted by UNITY, Center for Native American Youth, We R Native

**HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME!  
SEE YOU AT THE 2018 NATIONAL UNITY CONFERENCE  
IN SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA!**