



DRAFT AGENDA

2020 UNITY Midyear Conference

Please wear your badge at all times!

The UNITY Mission is to foster the spiritual, mental, physical and social development of American Indian and Alaska Native youth and to help build a strong, unified and self-reliant Native America through greater youth involvement.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Pre-Conference Training

1:00 - 9:00 pm Communications Boot Camp - Join the UNITY News Team! Explore the world of journalism and learn how to produce a video story to be shared during the conference. This is a free training for conference participants! (Registration link to be posted soon!)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

DAY 1

- 8:00 AM Communications Boot Camp continues
- 8:00 AM National UNITY Council Facilitator Training
- Executive Committee
 - National UNITY Council Representatives
 - Peer Guides
 - Earth Ambassadors
- 9:00 AM Conference Registration
- 1:30 PM DJ Emcee One
- 1:45 PM Opening Session
- UNITY Co-Presidents Welcome
 - Prayer
 - Welcome
 - Recognition of Trustees
 - Cultural Presentation/Blessing – *(Spiritual Wellness)*
F.I.N.A.L. Youth Council, Phoenix Indian Center
- 2:30 PM Meet your National UNITY Council Exec. Committee!
- 2:40 PM Roll Call by Region by EC Secretary
- 2:45 PM Ice Breaker
- Announcements
- UNITY News!

- 3:00 pm Arizona Governor Doug Ducey - Special Presentation (Invited)
- 3:15 pm Chairman Terry Rambler, San Carlos Apache Tribe - Special Presentation
- 3:25 pm Governor Stephen Roe Lewis, Gila River Indian Community - Welcome Message (Invited)
- 3:35 PM Meet your Trainers!
- 3:40 PM Overview of Agenda
- 3:45 PM Break into clans/Get acquainted!
- Advisor to Advisor Sharing (Room TBA)
- 4:45 PM Dinner Break (on your own)
- 6:30 PM Training – Session 1 (Go to assigned rooms)
- 8:20 PM Break
- 8:30 PM Evening General Session (Social wellness)
- Ice Breaker
 - Clan activities/Team Building
 - Announcements
- 10:30 PM Adjourn
- 12:00 AM Curfew – lights out! (Daily)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 DAY 2

- 7:00 AM Physical Wellness Activity (On your own)
- 8:30 AM DJ Emcee One
- 8:45 AM Morning General Assembly
- Prayer
 - Cultural Presentation/Blessing
 - UNITY News!
 - Ice Breaker
- 9:15 AM Preparing for UNITY DC 2020 - How to become an effective Native youth advocate! TBA
- 9:55 AM Ice Breaker/Announcements

10:00 AM Training – Session 2 (Go to assigned rooms)

12:00 PM Lunch Break (On Your Own)

1:30 PM Training Session 3 (Go to assigned rooms)

3:15 PM Break

3:30 PM Training Session 4 (Go to assigned rooms)

4:30 PM Dinner Break

6:30 PM Evening General Assembly

7:30 PM Mr./Miss UNITY Mock Pageant (*Social Wellness*)

9:00 PM National UNITY Council Business Meeting Session I (Male and Female Reps)

9:00 PM Clan activities

Advisor to Advisor Sharing (Room TBA)

10:30 PM Adjourn

12:00 AM Curfew – lights out! (Daily)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 DAY 3

7:00 AM Physical Wellness Activity (On your own)

8:30 AM DJ Emcee One

8:45 AM Morning General Assembly

- Prayer
- Cultural Presentation/Blessing
- UNITY News!
- Overview of the Agenda (Speed workshops, Career and Education Fair)

9:15 AM Kick Off Career and Education Fair/Workshops

9:30 AM Speed Workshops I/Visit Career and Education Fair (earn a raffle ticket!)

10:00 AM Speed Workshops II/Visit Career and Education Fair

10:30 AM Speed Workshops III/Visit Career and Education Fair

10:30 AM National UNITY Council Business Meeting Session II (Male and Female Reps)

12:00 PM Lunch (provided) - Raffle giveaway!

12:30 PM National UNITY Council Executive Committee - National Initiative Challenge to Native youth!

12:45 PM “Woke Culture” Native Youth Activism Panel - Dyami Thomas, *Klamath/Leech Lake Anishinabe*; TaNeel Filesteel, *Aaniih and Nakoda*; Rosalie Fish, *Cowlitz*

1:30 PM Training Session 5 - Reporting out and voting on favorite Action Plan

3:15 PM Break

3:30 PM General Assembly

Panel discussion - Behind the scenes of the Netflix series “Basketball or Nothing”
Shaun Martin, *Navajo*, Chinle High School Athletic Director, and members of the 2018-2019 Basketball Team

4:15 PM Ice Breaker

Top action plans shared from each track

4:45 PM Complete evaluations (get your raffle tickets!)

5:00 PM Dinner Break (On Your Own)

6:30 PM Cultural Sharing

9:30 PM Water Ceremony (Optional)

11:30 PM Head back to your rooms!

12:00 AM Curfew – lights out! (Daily)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17 DAY 4

7:00 AM Physical Wellness Activity (On your own)

8:45 AM DJ Emcee One

9:00 AM Morning General Assembly

- Prayer
- Cultural Presentation/Blessing
- What to expect at the 2020 National UNITY Conference
- UNITY News!

- 9:30 AM 2020 Get out the Native Youth Vote! Theresa Sheldon, *Tulalip* Tribes, Native American Political Director, Democratic National Committee
- 10:00 AM Earth Ambassadors Presentation - Get ready for Earth Day 2020 (also UNITY Day!)
- 10:30 AM Video Congresswoman Debra Haaland, NM, Pueblo of Laguna
- 10:45 AM Complete Evaluations/Raffle
- 11:00 AM Closing Session – Friendship Circle (*Social Wellness*)
- Blessing Song/Adjourn (*Social Wellness*)

SEE YOU JULY 3 - 7 IN WASHINGTON, DC FOR THE 2020 NATIONAL UNITY CONFERENCE!