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28th Biennial
Arizona Indian Council
on Aging Conference

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Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.
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February 28, 2019

Dear Prospective Sponsor,

The Arizona Indian Council on Aging (AICOA) and the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc., Area Agency on Aging, Region 8 (ITCA-AAA) are proud to present the 28th Biennial AICOA Conference to be held October 27 - 29, 2019, at the We-Ko-Pa Resort & Conference Center located in Fountain Hills, Arizona. This year's theme, "Tribes Unite for a Better Tomorrow," is intended to encourage information sharing and collaboration of best practices among 400+ conference attendees from throughout the State of Arizona.

The AICOA conference gives American Indian elders, individuals with disabilities, and caregivers the opportunity to experience interactive social events and various educational workshops. The AICOA advisory council is respectfully requesting your sponsorship in one of the following levels:

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For more information, contact Roxanne Thomas, ITCA-AAA Program Specialist, at (602) 258-4822 or email Roxanne.Thomas@itcaonline.com. Thank you for supporting our efforts by considering our conference for your tax deductible contribution!

Sincerely,

Maria Dadgar, MBA
ITCA Executive Director

Barbara Tinhorn
AICOA President

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Arizona Indian Council on Aging (AICOA) History

Tribal members in Arizona envisioned a need to have a counterpart to the National Indian Council on Aging (NICOA) to voice their opinions and advocate on issues affecting elders in all levels of government. On September 16, 1976, representatives from Tribes in Arizona and two urban organizations voted to form the Arizona Indian Council on Aging (AICOA).

Today, AICOA serves as the Advisory Council for the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc., Area Agency on Aging, Region 8 (ITCA-AAA). Membership is comprised of a representative and an alternate from each of the 21 Member Tribes of ITCA. AICOA promotes and advocates for the interests of the elderly population and meets on a quarterly basis in September, December, March and June.

Conference Purpose

The purpose of the 28th Biennial AICOA Conference is to promote the spiritual, mental and physical well-being of American Indian elders, individuals with disabilities, and caregivers through interactive social events and educational workshops regarding: health, nutrition, transportation, disease prevention, public benefits, self-advocacy, and current aging policies. Furthermore, the conference provides information to advocates, service providers, and volunteers residing and working within Tribal communities in Arizona.

Sponsorship Support

- Encourages elders to live healthy lifestyles through health promotion activities and social events.
- Promotes self-advocacy and awareness of elder benefits and rights.
- Strengthens cultural competency in programs affecting elders.
- Provides a space to discuss key aging issues.
- Assists elders to gain access to a variety of information and resources regarding aging issues.

Conference Participants

“This is my first time coming and attending an elderly conference. I enjoyed the sessions, they were very informative. As I return home, I will share the information with my senior group...”

– 2015 AICOA Conference Participant

“All sessions had valuable information. Everything was excellent. This was my first time and would like to return with newcomers.”

– 2017 AICOA Conference Participant





AICOA Executive Officers

President	Ms. Barbara Tinhorn, Hualapai Tribe	(2017-2021)
Vice President	Ms. Jeryle Reina, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community	(2018-2022)
Secretary	Ms. Martha Mase, Hopi Tribe	(2016-2019)
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AICOA Tribal Nations

Ak-Chin Indian Community
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