

American Indian Heritage Month: celebrating Native culture, honoring Native history



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ADDISON, Texas, Nov. 1, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- Today, we recognize the beginning of American Indian Heritage Month, and encourage you to join us in our reflection on the Native American tribes that first inhabited our country, and their culture and history. With 567 federally recognized Indian tribes, reservations and pueblos in more than 30 states, nearly 35 state-recognized tribes, and many other tribes now petitioning for federal or state recognition, the contributions and cultural impact of Native Americans is significant and diverse.

Throughout American Indian Heritage Month, we invite you to expand your knowledge and appreciation through stories on Native culture, history, heritage, and wisdom. We also offer curated articles on the first Thanksgiving, what happened after the first Thanksgiving and more via www.PWNA4hope.org.

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Partnership With Native Americans (PWNA) is committed to championing hope for a brighter future for Native Americans, and proud to be celebrating their culture, honoring their history and exploring everyday realities of life on the reservations. According to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, the basic standard of living for many Native Americans remains well below the rest of the U.S. and the disparities some communities face are unexpected in 21st century America. That is why remembrance and aid to such communities is so vital to their well-being.

PWNA provides immediate support year-round in education, nutrition and health, animal welfare, and emergency relief, and supports long-term solutions such as scholarships, training for emerging leaders and community investment projects to help end the cycle of poverty. PWNA staff collaborate with existing reservation-based programs to deliver goods and services based on the tribes' self-identified goals and solutions for building their communities – an approach that has proven to be culturally relevant, respectful and effective.

To learn more about Native culture and history, join PWNA for Heritage Month giveaways, and see how you can get involved, visit www.pwna4hope.org.

About Partnership With Native Americans

Partnership With Native Americans (PWNA) is a nonprofit organization committed to championing hope for a brighter future for Native Americans living on remote, geographically isolated and often impoverished reservations. The organization collaborates with its reservation partners to serve immediate needs and support long-term solutions for strong, self-sufficient Native American communities. Established in 1990, PWNA works through its grassroots partnerships and distribution network to improve the lives of 250,000 Native Americans each year. For more information follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#), or visit our website www.nativepartnership.org.

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