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AGENDA

Older Adult Population is Growing

Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc. - Area Agency on Aging

Arizona Indian Council on Aging (AICOA) Advisory Board

Challenges of COVID-19 in Tribal Communities

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Older Adult Population is Growing

National
- By 2030, 1 in every 5 Americans is projected to be 65+ years (AARP)

Arizona
- Arizona has nearly 1.5 million Arizonans age 60+ (DES)
- AI/AN population =385,772 (US Census 2010)
- 5.4% of Arizonans 65+ years are American Indian (DES)
- Over 800,000 Arizonans are family caregivers (DES)

Tribal
- 2 Tribal Assisted Living Facilities = 28 Total beds (ITCA)
- 4 Skilled Living facilities = 239 Total beds (ITCA)
- In 1 year, over 134,000 Title III Meals were served to Tribal Elders in Arizona (ITCA)
- Statewide, over 29,000 one-way trips were provided through the Title III Transportation grant funding (ITCA)
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Tribes

- Ak-Chin Indian Community
- Cocopah Indian Tribe
- Colorado River Indian Tribes
- Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation
- Fort Mojave Indian Tribe
- Gila River Indian Community
- Havasupai Tribe
- Hopi Tribe
- Hualapai Tribe
- Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians
- Pascua Yaqui Tribe
- Pueblo of Zuni
- Quechan Tribe
- Salt River Pima-Maricopa Community
- San Carlos Apache Tribe
- San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe
- Tohono O'odham Nation
- Tonto Apache Tribe
- White Mountain Apache Tribe
- Yavapai-Apache Nation
- Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe
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The needs assessment is used to develop services, program goals, and outreach presentations.
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Programs and Services

- Administration
- Program Development & Evaluation
- Advocacy
- Resource Development
- Tribal Agreements & Grant Writing
- Arizona Indian Council on Aging Advisory Board

- Technical Assistance & Training
  - Professional Development (Management)
  - Staff Development & Training
  - Contractual Requirements & Reporting (Title III and VI)

- Coordination of Title III and VI Programs
- Pilot & One Time Projects
# ITCA-AAA Title III, VI and VII Services

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Arizona Indian Council on Aging (AICOA)

HISTORY

- June National Indian Council on Aging 1976 Phoenix
- September Arizona Indian Council on Aging

In accordance with the Older Americans Act and 45 C.F.R 1321.57, AICOA serves as an advisory board for Inter Tribal Council of Arizona – Area Agency on Aging (ITCA-AAA), Region 8.

Vision

- AICOA is a voice advocating the concerns, issues and needs of elders to live a strong, safe and healthy life.
- AICOA empowers elders to influence Tribal and federal leaders to provide needed services in their community.

Core Values

- Culture & Traditions
- Respect & Understanding
- Knowledge of our community elders
- Integrity & Morality
- Consistency
- Health & Welfare

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AICOA & Advocacy

Services that take action to protect the rights of individuals and ensure they receive appropriate services and benefits or to seek needed changes in the law and/or administrative rules…

- Indian Nations and Tribes Legislative Day
- AZ4A Older Arizonan’s Day
- Inter Tribal Association of Arizona Congressional Week
- Governor’s Advisory Council on Aging
- AICOA Quarterly Meetings (March, June, September, December)
- AICOA Biennial Conference (Planning for 2022)
Challenges of COVID-19 in Tribal Communities

- Resources
- Communication
- Housing/Weatherization
- Transportation
- Training, Education & Outreach
- Meal Program
- PPEs/Supplies/Vaccine
- Elder Abuse/Fraud, Scams and Financial Exploitation
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