

# GTB NEWS



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May 2024  
Waabgonii Giizis (Blossom Flower Moon)



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HEALTH & DENTAL CLINIC PRESENT

**2024 HEALTH FAIR**  
AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 • 10:00AM - 3:00PM

KCHI WIIKWEDONG  
ANISHINAABEK MAAWNJIDOWIN

**CONTEST POWWOW**

SAVE THE DATE  
AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup> & 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2024  
PESHAWBESTOWN POWWOW GROUNDS  
MINO MI-KUN • 2585 WAABNO MAKWA ROAD  
NO ALCOHOL, DRUGS, FIREARMS, WEAPONS, OR DOGS

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## READY TO DISC-USS?

DISCUSS THE FUTURE OF OUR DISC GOLF COURSE!

**COMMUNITY OPEN FORUM**  
MAY 10<sup>TH</sup> | 3:00 P.M.

**STRONGHEART CENTER**  
2700 STRONGHEART WAY,  
PESHAWBESTOWN

**YOUR VOICE COUNTS IN BUILDING  
A BETTER STRONGHEART CENTER!**

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**Tribal Council Regular Session  
April 10, 2024  
[http://bit.ly/GTB\\_Member](http://bit.ly/GTB_Member)**

II. New Business. A- **FY 2025 Budget Hearing Information only; no motion**

II. New Business. B- **BIA Wildfire Prevention Supplemental Request** Motion made by Tribal Council Member Rohl and Supported by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall to approve Resolution #24-42.3653 giving permission to apply for the grant. **4-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 1-ABSENT (Napont); 1-ABSTAINING (Kewaygoshkum) Motion Carries**

II. New Business. C- **D.7 BHS Staffing Updates** This item was deleted from the agenda.

II. New Business. C- **Update to Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan** Motion made by Tribal Council Treasurer Swallows and Supported by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall to approve the plan as presented. **4-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 1-ABSENT (Napont); 1-ABSTAINING (Kewaygoshkum) Motion Carries**

II. New Business. D- **EDC Request for LSC off site Wine Consumption License** Motion made by Tribal Council Member Rohl and Supported by Tribal Council Treasurer Swallows to approve Resolution #24-42.3617 and the Chairman's signature on the Liquor License to be posted in the LSC gift shop. **4-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 1-ABSENT (Napont); 1-ABSTAINING (Kewaygoshkum) Motion Carries**

II. New Business. F- **BSSW Loan Guaranty and Waiver of Immunity** This item was deleted from the agenda.

II. New Business. E- **Tribal Council Chambers Audio Video Technology Upgrade** Motion made by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall and Supported by Tribal Council Member Rohl to approve the Moss contract in the amount of \$64,276.67. **4-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 1-ABSENT (Napont); 1-ABSTAINING (Kewaygoshkum) Motion Carries**

II. New Business. F- **Housing Org Chart Change** Motion made by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall and Supported by Tribal Council Member Rohl to revert the Housing Organizational Chart back to the Maintenance Supervisor position from the Maintenance Coordinator position. **4-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 1-ABSENT (Napont); 1-ABSTAINING (Kewaygoshkum) Motion Carries**

II. New Business. G- **Antrim County Road Commission MOA Updates** Motion made by Tribal Council Member Frankenberger and Supported by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall to approve the attached Memorandum of Agreement updates between GTB and the Antrim County Road Commission and for the Tribal Manager to sign the MOA update signature page. **4-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 1-ABSENT (Napont); 1-ABSTAINING (Kewaygoshkum) Motion Carries**

II. New Business. H- **Charlevoix County Road Commission MOA Updates** Motion made by Tribal Council Member Rohl and Supported by Tribal Council Member Frankenberger to approve the attached Memorandum of Agreement updates between GTB and the Charlevoix County Road Commission and for the Tribal Manager to sign the MOA update signature page. **4-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 1-ABSENT (Napont); 1-ABSTAINING (Kewaygoshkum) Motion Carries**

II. New Business. I- **CPRG Grant Submission** Motion made by Tribal Council Member Rohl and Supported by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall to approve Resolution #24-42.3657. **4-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 1-ABSENT (Napont); 1-ABSTAINING (Kewaygoshkum) Motion Carries**

II. New Business. J- **Clinic and Pharmacy Expansion** Motion made by Tribal Council Member Rohl and Supported by Tribal Council Member Frankenberger to send the clinic updates

and pharmacy construction project out for bids. **4-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 1-ABSENT (Napont); 1-ABSTAINING (Kewaygoshkum) Motion Carries**

II. New Business. K- **Implementing the SSBCI Fund by Providing EDC a Certificate of Good Standing** Motion made by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall and Supported by Tribal Council Member Rohl to provide GTB Economic Development Corporation, a Section 17 Federally chartered corporation, a Certificate of Good Standing from the Section 16 Tribal Government for the implementation of the SSBCI loan program operated by the Department of Treasury. **4-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 1-ABSENT (Napont); 1-ABSTAINING (Kewaygoshkum) Motion Carries**

II. New Business. L- **HS/EHS Grant Budget Modification for New Bus** Motion made by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall and Supported by Tribal Council Member Rohl to approve the HS/EHS budget modification and for the purchase of a new bus in the amount of \$161,870.00. **4-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 1-ABSENT (Napont); 1-ABSTAINING (Kewaygoshkum) Motion Carries**



**TRIBAL COUNCIL ATTENDANCE  
MARCH 28, 2024 - APRIL 24, 2024**

There were (2) Tribal Council Regular/Special Sessions and (12) Tribal Council Work Sessions/Round Tables/EDC Board Round Tables

**Chairman Arroyo** attended 1 of 2 Tribal Council Regular/Special Sessions and 3 of 12 Tribal Council Work Sessions/Round Tables/EDC Board Round Tables **Attended:** Initial Consultation with SBDNL Superintendent regarding Heritage Trail on April 12.

**Vice Chair Kewaygoshkum** attended 2 of 2 Tribal Council Regular/Special Sessions and 11 of 12 Tribal Council Work Sessions/Round Tables/EDC Board Round tables **Attended:** Initial Consultation with SBDNL Superintendent regarding Heritage Trail on April 12.

**Treasurer Swallows** attended 2 of 2 Tribal Council Regular/Special Sessions and 12 of 12 Tribal Council Work Sessions/Round Tables/EDC Board Round tables. **Attended:** Tribal Nations Housing Development Assistance Program Mtg April 11; Initial Consultation with SBDNL Superintendent regarding Heritage Trail on April 12 and 2024 Tribal Self-Governance Conference from April 15 - April 19

**Secretary Marshall** attended 2 of 2 Tribal Council Regular/Special Sessions and 10 of 12 Tribal Council Work Sessions/Round Tables/ EDC Board Round Tables. **Scheduled:** Out of Office April 1-2. **Attended:** Initial Consultation with SBDNL Superintendent regarding Heritage Trail on April 12 and 2024 Tribal Self-Governance Conference from April 15 - April 19

**Councilor Frankenberger** attended 2 of 2 Tribal Council Regular/Special Sessions and 0 of 12 Tribal Council Work Sessions/Round Tables/ED Board Round Tables. **Scheduled:** Out of Office April 10 - 12

**Councilor Napont** attended 1 of 2 Tribal Council Regular/Special Sessions and 3 of 12 Tribal Council Work Sessions/Round Tables/EDC board Round Tables.

**Councilor Rohl** attended 2 of 2 Tribal Council Regular/Special Sessions and 11 of 12 Tribal Council Work Sessions/Round Tables/EDC Board Round Tables

**Tribal Council Special Session April 24, 2024**  
[http://bit.ly/GTB\\_Member](http://bit.ly/GTB_Member)

I. Unfinished Business. A- **Housing Background Disqualifiers** Motion made by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall and Supported by Tribal Council Member Frankenberger to approve the attached Grand Traverse Band Housing Background Rejection Criteria (for all programs), the Admissions Policy section 5, and Herkner Market Rental resident selection criteria. **6-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 0-ABSENT; 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

III. New Business. A- **FY24 Capital Magnet Fund** Motion made by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall and Supported by Tribal Council Treasurer Swallows to approve Resolution #24-42.3659 to seek approval and funding in the amount of \$1,950,783 from the Department of Treasury Community Development Financial Institution. **6-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 0-ABSENT; 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

III. New Business. B- **Close Enrollment for Per Capita Distribution** Motion made by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall and Supported by Tribal Council Treasurer Swallows to approve Resolution #24-42.3661. **6-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 0-ABSENT; 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

III. New Business. C- **Disc Golf Course Location** Motion made by Tribal Council Treasurer Swallows and Supported by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall to rescind the previous Motion to change the location, and to put it out for a 30-day posting. **6-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 0-ABSENT; 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

III. New Business. D- **Tribal Manager Pay and Severance History** Motion made by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall and Supported by Tribal Council Treasurer Swallows to pull out all the pay history, the contracts, and the contractual changes from the Closed Sessions. **4-FOR; 2-AGAINST (Frankenberger, Rohl); 0-ABSENT; 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

III. New Business. F- **Department 7 and 8 Collaboration** Motion made by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall and Supported by Tribal Council Treasurer Swallows approve the collaboration between D7 and D8 as presented. **6-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 0-ABSENT; 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

III. New Business. G- **D7 BHS Psychiatric Provider Contract Change**

Order Motion made by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall and Supported by Tribal Council Member Rohl to refer to a Poll Vote. **6-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 0-ABSENT; 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

III. New Business. H- **Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grant Program** Motion made by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall and Supported by Tribal Council Treasurer Swallows to approve Resolution #24-42.3662 to apply for the Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grant and to enter into an MOU with ITC as the lead applicant. **6-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 0-ABSENT; 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

III. New Business. I- **Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program** Motion made by Tribal Council Member Rohl and Supported by Tribal Council Member Frankenberger to approve Resolution #24-42.3663 to seek approval and funding in the amount of \$11,490 from the U.S. Department of Energy. **5-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 1-ABSENT (Marshall); 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

III. New Business. J- **EGLE Community Energy Management Grant** Motion made by Tribal Council Member Rohl and Supported by Tribal Council Member Frankenberger to approve Resolution #24-42.3664 to seek approval and funding in the amount of \$100,000 from the

Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy. **6-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 0-ABSENT; 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

III. New Business. K- **FY 2023 Indirect Cost Proposal** Motion made by Tribal Council Treasurer Swallows and Supported by Tribal Council Secretary Marshall to approve the submission of the Indirect Cost Proposal for FY23 to the US Department of Interior- Interior Business Center. **6-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 0-ABSENT; 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

III. New Business. L- **Dept 2 Victim Assistance Director Job Description Changes and Edits** Motion made by Tribal Council Member Frankenberger and Supported by Tribal Council Member Rohl to refer to a Poll Vote to approve this job description and pay change with the pay being retroactive to the same date as the rest of Department 2's pay increases. **6-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 0-ABSENT; 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

III. New Business. M- **GTB Business Permit and Taxes (FRD)** Motion made by Tribal Council Member Rohl and Supported by Tribal Council Treasurer Swallows to approve the one-day GTB business permit waiver for the GTB Federal Recognition Day Event; vendors will be responsible to submit any taxes directly to the State of Michigan. **6-FOR; 0-AGAINST; 0-ABSENT; 0-ABSTAINING Motion Carries**

**TRIBAL COUNCIL HYBRID MEETINGS**

**Process**

1. Registration Required for both sessions!

• **TCRS Registration Link:**

<https://bit.ly/GTB-REG-TCRS24>

• **TCSS Registration Link:**

<https://bit.ly/GTB-REG-TCSS24>

2. Once registered & cross-referenced with Membership, you will receive a confirmation email with link & password good for the entire series of registred meetings.

**Questions or need assistance?**

(231) 534-7008 or [gtagovt.news@gtb-nsn.gov](mailto:gtagovt.news@gtb-nsn.gov)

**TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS RECORDED SESSIONS**

**Tribal Council Regular Sessions** occur at 9:30 a.m. on the **third Wednesday** of every month.

**Tribal Council Special Sessions** occur at 9:30 a.m. on the **last Wednesday** of every month.

Both sessions will be held in Council Chambers.

**Meetings are open to Tribal Members. Regular Council Sessions**  
5/15 • 6/19 • 7/17 • 8/21

**Special Council Sessions**  
5/29 • 6/26 • 7/31 • 8/28

We, the Tribal Council of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians, a Sovereign Nation, honor to empower the wellbeing of our present and future members. Our ultimate goal is to advance our Nation into an era of increased governmental vigilance that promotes and protects our culture, sovereignty, health, education, treaty rights, natural resources and financial stability

**GRAND TRAVERSE BAND OF OTTAWA & CHIPPEWA INDIANS**

**APRIL 2, 2024 PRIMARY OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS**

Tribal Chairman Candidates	Antrim/GT Pct	Benzie/Manistee Pct	Charlevoix Pct	Leelanau Pct	Absent Voter Pct	Candidate Total	Tribal Chairman Candidates	% of the Total Vote
Vote for not more than Two (2)								
Dana Greensky	24	5	2	36	6	73	Dana Greensky	15.0
Theresa Marshall	37	1	2	36	14	90	Theresa Marshall	18.4
Thurlow "Sam" McClellan	40	18	17	24	7	106	Thurlow "Sam" McClellan	21.7
Brian Napont	29	18	14	34	17	112	Brian Napont	23.0
Sandra Witherspoon	25	5	15	55	7	107	Sandra Witherspoon	21.9
Total Votes from Pct>	155	47	50	185	51	488		100.0

Tribal Council Candidates	Antrim/GT Pct	Benzie/Manistee Pct	Charlevoix Pct	Leelanau Pct	Absent Voter Pct	Candidate Total	Tribal Council Candidates	% of the Total Vote
Vote for not more than Six (6)								
Faith Anderson	38	7	7	45	15	112	Faith Anderson	8.5
Sandra Anderson	23	5	9	35	9	81	Sandra Anderson	6.1
Scott Lewis	33	20	14	54	12	133	Scott Lewis	10.1
Theresa Marshall	39	1	5	24	15	84	Theresa Marshall	6.3
Anna Miller	51	13	15	59	11	149	Anna Miller	11.3
Angelina Raphael	50	10	12	62	16	150	Angelina Raphael	11.3
Tanya Raphael	24	15	8	58	9	114	Tanya Raphael	8.6
Michelle Shaw	34	6	16	35	16	107	Michelle Shaw	8.1
Donna Swallows	54	10	8	59	20	151	Donna Swallows	11.4
Tanya Tanner	26	1	1	16	8	52	Tanya Tanner	3.9
Sandra Witherspoon	43	15	19	54	13	144	Sandra Witherspoon	10.9
Sandra Yannot	11	1	5	24	5	46	Sandra Yannot	3.5
Total Votes from Pct>	426	104	119	525	149	1323	< Total Votes Cast	100.0

Statistics By Precinct	Eligible	Actual	% Voting
Leelanau	366	127	35%
GT/Antrim: 3 Mile	383	101	26%
Benzie/Manistee	95	34	36%
Charlevoix	95	28	29%
Total Participation	939	290	31%
Absentee from All Pcts.	43	43	100%

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS  
GENERAL ELECTION**

**May 6, 2024 - 12:00PM**

Deadline for submitting a request for Emergency absentee ballot (General Election)

**May 6, 2024 - 3:00PM**

Deadline for receipt of absentee ballots and emergency absentee ballots by mail to:

**GTB Election Board  
P.O. Box 238  
Suttons Bay, MI 49682**

**May 7, 2024 - 7:00AM - 7:00PM**

Polls open for voting for General Election

**May 7, 2024 - approx. 8:30PM**

Ballots for the General Election counted by Election Board in Tribal Council Chambers

**May 14, 2024 - 5:00PM**

Deadline for filing election challenges with Election Board (General Election)

**May 15, 2024 - 5:30PM**

General Election results certified if no election challenges filed

**May 17, 2024 (Tentative)**

Oath of Office administered at **Leelanau Sands Showroom**

(Tentative pending expiration of challenge period/ resolution of any election challenges, or Leelanau Sands scheduling issues)



## 2024 SUMMER PER CAPITA DISTRIBUTION SCHEDULE

**April 24, 2024**

Resolution to Close Enrollment for Per Capita Distribution

**April 26, 2024**

Stop Accepting Applications (End of day)

**May 3, 2024**

Direct Deposit Deadline  
Stop Processing Applications (End of day)

[https://bit.ly/GTB\\_DDAF](https://bit.ly/GTB_DDAF)



**May 13, 2024**

Canceling Direct Deposit Deadline

[https://bit.ly/GTB\\_DDCF](https://bit.ly/GTB_DDCF)



**June 3, 2024**

Reopen Enrollment

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### East Bay Beach District Community Visioning Charrette

Please join East Bay Township staff and consultants for a multi-day public input process to help create a vision for the U.S. 31 corridor.



#### 2 Open Houses

@ Harbor Brook Hall  
2155 US-31 N  
Traverse City, MI 49686

May 14, 2024

Open House #1: 4:00pm - 6:00pm  
Discovery & Information Gathering

May 16, 2024

Open House #2: 4:00pm - 6:00pm  
Review design ideas based on public input

#### 5 Stakeholder Meetings

@ East Bay Township Hall  
1965 N 3 Mile Road  
Traverse City, MI 49696

May 14, 2024

District Residents: 10:00am - 11:00am  
District Employees: 11:00am - 12:00pm

May 15, 2024

Business Owners: 10:00am - 11:00am  
Transportation/Mobility: 11:00am - 12:00pm  
Coastal Resiliency: 2:00pm - 3:00pm

**ALL ARE WELCOME  
WE NEED YOUR INPUT!**



### Community Survey Now Open! Beach District Visioning



East Bay Charter Township is partnering with corridor businesses, residents, and stakeholders to develop an implementable vision for revitalization and investments of a section of the U.S. 31 N corridor in East Bay Township, known as the East Bay Beach District.

[Community Survey](#)



[Project Website](#)



**OPEN UNTIL MAY 3RD  
WE NEED YOUR INPUT!**



1545 South Division  
Traverse City, MI 49684  
231-486-0580

### TRIBAL ID CARDS

The Membership Department is thrilled to announce that the NEW Tribal Identification Printer is now available for Tribal Members who need a new Tribal ID.

**Tribal ID Reprint**, follow these steps:

- \$10 payment to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Make payment in person or over the phone by calling (231) 534-7622.
- Once payment is received, OMB will send receipt to the Membership Office
- ID will be mailed to you, unless otherwise instructed.

**Tribal ID with NEW Photo**, follow these steps:

- Follow all the steps mentioned above.
- Take a photo at the Membership Office.

- First Tribal ID is FREE.
- Tribal Members can receive a FREE Tribal ID by updating their address with a notarized Address Change Form.
- Elders are eligible to receive one FREE Tribal ID per year!

If you have any questions, please contact the Membership Department at (231) 534-7101

**Mailing Address:**

2605 N West Bay Shore Drive Peshawbestown, MI 49682-927

**Physical Address:**

2601 N West Bay Shore Drive Peshawbestown, MI 49682-927

**Antrim/GT Elders  
Events & Activities**

**Monday's & Friday's  
Office Tasks  
8AM - 5PM  
\*Lunch Provided**

**Wednesday; May 1<sup>st</sup>**  
Open Activity  
11:30AM - 3:00PM\*

**Thursday; May 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Craft Day  
11:30AM - 3:00PM\*

**Friday; May 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL MMIP  
DAY OF AWARENESS  
@ GTB Cross Creek  
12:00PM\*

**Tuesday; May 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Open Activity  
11:30AM - 3:00PM\*

**Wednesday; May 8<sup>th</sup>**  
MOTHERS DAY PARTY  
(All Sites) @ Benzie  
11:00AM - 3:00PM\*

**Thursday; May 9<sup>th</sup>**  
Open Activity  
11:30AM - 3:00PM\*

**Tuesday; May 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Elders Advisory @ 3-Mile  
10:00AM - 4:00PM\*

**Wednesday; May 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Open Activity  
11:30AM - 3:00PM\*

**Thursday; May 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Puzzle Time  
11:30AM - 3:00PM\*

**Tuesday; May 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Puzzle Time  
11:30AM - 3:00PM\*

**Wednesday; May 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
Open Activity  
11:30AM - 3:00PM\*

**Thursday; May 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
Craft Day  
11:30AM - 3:00PM\*

**Friday; May 24<sup>th</sup>**  
MEMORIAL DAY  
**GTB GOVT. OFFICES CLOSED**

**Monday; May 27<sup>th</sup>**  
FEDERAL RECOGNITION DAY  
**GTB GOVT. OFFICES CLOSED**

**Tuesday; May 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Open Activity  
11:30AM - 3:00PM\*

**Wednesday; May 29<sup>th</sup>**  
Bingo  
11:30AM - 3:00PM\*

**Thursday; May 30<sup>th</sup>**  
Craft Day  
11:30AM - 3:00PM\*

**Benzie Elders  
Events & Activities**

**Every Wednesday  
Steven Alberts, Elders  
Assistant will assist with  
Elders' paperwork  
8AM - 5PM**

**Agnes Glinski, Benzie Office  
Manager available to assist  
Elders with paperwork.**

**Friday; May 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL MMIP  
DAY OF AWARENESS  
@ GTB Cross Creek  
12:00PM

**Wednesday; May 8<sup>th</sup>**  
MOTHERS DAY PARTY  
(All Sites) @ Benzie  
11:00AM - 3:00PM\*

**Friday; May 24<sup>th</sup>**  
MEMORIAL DAY  
**GTB GOVT. OFFICES CLOSED**

**Monday; May 27<sup>th</sup>**  
FEDERAL RECOGNITION DAY  
**GTB GOVT. OFFICES CLOSED**

**Charlevoix Elders  
Events & Activities**

**Monday's  
Office Tasks  
8AM - 5PM  
\*Lunch Provided**

**Friday; May 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL MMIP  
DAY OF AWARENESS  
@ GTB Cross Creek  
12:00PM\*

**Tuesday; May 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Craft Time  
1:00PM

**Wednesday; May 8<sup>th</sup>**  
MOTHERS DAY PARTY  
(All Sites) @ Benzie  
11:00AM - 3:00PM\*

**Thursday; May 9<sup>th</sup>**  
Yahtzee  
12:00PM\*

**Friday; May 10<sup>th</sup>**  
Mushrooming  
11:00AM

**Tuesday; May 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Elders Advisory  
@ 3-Mile  
10:00AM - 4:00PM\*

**Wednesday; May 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Chair Exercising  
12:00PM\*

**Thursday; May 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Resale Shop  
12:00PM\*

**Charlevoix Elders  
Events & Activities**

**Monday's  
Office Tasks  
8AM - 5PM  
\*Lunch Provided**

**Friday; May 17<sup>th</sup>**  
AMC  
@ Traverse City  
11:00AM

**Tuesday; May 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Mushrooming Ride  
11:00AM

**Wednesday; May 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
Chair Exercising  
12:00PM\*

**Thursday; May 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
Trivia  
12:00PM\*

**Friday; May 24<sup>th</sup>**  
MEMORIAL DAY  
**GTB GOVT. OFFICES CLOSED**

**Monday; May 27<sup>th</sup>**  
FEDERAL RECOGNITION DAY  
**GTB GOVT. OFFICES CLOSED**

**Tuesday; May 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Craft Time  
1:30PM\*

**Wednesday; May 29<sup>th</sup>**  
Birthday Bash  
12:00PM\*

**Thursday; May 30<sup>th</sup>**  
Barb Out of Office  
8:00AM - 5:00PM

**Friday; May 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Artisan Well  
11:00AM

**Leelanau Elders  
Events & Activities**

**Monday's  
Meal Delivey  
1PM**

**Friday's  
Office Tasks  
8AM - 5PM  
\*Lunch Provided**

**Wednesday; May 1<sup>st</sup>**  
Office Day  
8:00AM - 5:00PM

**Thursday; May 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Office Day  
8:00AM - 5:00PM

**Friday; May 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL MMIP  
DAY OF AWARENESS  
@ GTB Cross Creek  
12:00PM\*

**Monday; May 6<sup>th</sup>**  
Food Pantry @ LCN  
3:30PM

**Leelanau Elders  
Events & Activities**

**Monday's  
Meal Delivey  
1PM**

**Friday's  
Office Tasks  
8AM - 5PM  
\*Lunch Provided**

**Tuesday; May 7<sup>th</sup>**  
TC Store Run  
9:15AM

**Wednesday; May 8<sup>th</sup>**  
MOTHERS DAY PARTY  
(All Sites) @ Benzie  
11:00AM - 3:00PM\*

**Thursday; May 9<sup>th</sup>**  
Bargain Store  
9:15AM

**Tuesday; May 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Elders Advisory @ 3-Mile  
10:00AM - 4:00PM\*

**Wednesday; May 15<sup>th</sup>**  
TCRS  
9:00AM

**Thursday; May 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Swimming Northport  
11:00AM

**Tuesday; May 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Seated Workout Class  
@ Strongheart  
1:00PM - 2:00PM

**Wednesday; May 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
Craft Day/Bring Own Project  
1:00PM

**Thursday; May 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
Game Day/Board Games  
1:00PM

**Friday; May 24<sup>th</sup>**  
MEMORIAL DAY  
**GTB GOVT. OFFICES CLOSED**

**Monday; May 27<sup>th</sup>**  
FEDERAL RECOGNITION DAY  
**GTB GOVT. OFFICES CLOSED**

**Tuesday; May 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Meal Delivery  
1:00PM

**Wednesday; May 29<sup>th</sup>**  
Turtle Creek Casino Day  
10:00AM

**Thursday; May 30<sup>th</sup>**  
Birthday Bash  
12:00PM\*

Bingo  
1:00PM

# Mino-Dibishkaan! Happy Birthday!

GTB News Staff & Membership Dept. would like to acknowledge this months Elders Birthdays!

Let us take a moment to recognize and celebrate the birthdays of our beloved elders this month. May each of these special days be filled with abundant joy, unforgettable memories, and an abundance of love, peace, and happiness!

Margo Ulrich	3-May	Randolph Miller	12-May	Marion Snyder	22-May
Clifford Swanson	3-May	Patricia Castaneda	12-May	Ross Wyatt	22-May
Fernando Hidalgo	3-May	Tim Finch	12-May	Ramona Wabanimkee	23-May
Michael Stevens	3-May	Rodney Rilling	12-May	Ninniece Holden	23-May
Branden Morgan	3-May	Kevin Campbell	13-May	Therese John-Keller	23-May
Merlin Shawnoskey	4-May	Amy Wyatt	15-May	Carmen Felice	23-May
Anthony Warren	6-May	Helen Raphael	15-May	Ritchie Bennett	24-May
Monica Raphael	6-May	Howard Raphael	15-May	Joseph Cabinaw	24-May
William Anderson	6-May	Katherine Raphael-Ortega	16-May	Sharon Kennedy	24-May
Lawrence Farris	7-May	Christine Wright	16-May	Cherrie Huff	24-May
Frank Landreville	7-May	Laura Schichtel	16-May	Melvin Nemec	24-May
Andrew Anthony	7-May	Robert Bryant	16-May	Lisa Jolly	25-May
Jesse Nelson	7-May	Robert Mills	16-May	Donald Kenoshmeg	26-May
Rita Hernandez	7-May	Teresa Wabanimkee	17-May	Roseann Veloz	27-May
Kem Green	8-May	Beverly Clay	17-May	Florine Yannott	27-May
Shirley Gant	8-May	Thomas Johns	18-May	Diana Gould	27-May
Steven Anderson	8-May	Sherri Robinson	18-May	Michelle Henley	28-May
Brenda Ogemagegedo	9-May	Ivan Wasageshik	18-May	Michelle Breimon	28-May
Steven Johnson	9-May	Wanda Butkovich	20-May	Cynthia Bailey	29-May
Linda Penland	9-May	Douglas Harris	20-May	Adelaide Howell	29-May
Scott Perkins	10-May	Joshua Gravelyn	21-May	Sheila Boulden	30-May
Pamela Carns	10-May	Marie Tackes	21-May	Timothy Grieves	30-May
Shirley Brunk	10-May	Michael Kutchey	21-May	Becky Watrous	31-May
William Scheiding	10-May	Venetia Shomin	22-May	Suzette Gould	31-May
Jose Esquivel	11-May	Jane Homminga	22-May	Allan Francis	31-May
Paula Williams	11-May	Edward Stoll	22-May	Ricky Petroske	31-May
Annette Baker	12-May	Lyle Gauthier	22-May	Claude Landerville	31-May

**Delores Wonegeshik - Manager**   
 Office: (231) 534-7748 Cell: (231) 631-3908  
**Steven Alberts - Elders Assistant**  
 Office: (231) 534-7746 Cell: (231) 463-1791

## Elder's Mother's Day Party!



Aapiish (Where): Benzie Hoadley Road

Wenesh pii (When): May 8, 2024

Eso dabaagnek (Time): 11am – 3pm

**A light lunch & door prizes**



sewing craft: feast bag kits (if you want to bring your embellishment please do, sewing machines will be set up for your use, or bring your own!)

Contract your Elder coordinator for more information.

- Antrim/GT: Tanya Tanner 231-534-7710
- Benzie/Manistee: Temp- Agnes Glinski 231-534-7821
- Charlevoix: Barbara Kenwabikise 231-534-7066
- Leelanau: Greg Bailey 231-534-7740  
Melissa Martinez 231-534-7743



Staff	Office	Cell	Site
Tanya Tanner	(231) 534-7710	(231) 463-7858	GT/Antrim
Vacant Position	Vacant	Vacant	GT/Antrim
Robbin Raphael	(231) 534-7824	(231) 492-4352	Benzie/Manistee
Barbara Kenwabikise	(231) 534-7066	(231) 631-0281	Charlevoix
Greg Bailey	(231) 534-7740	(231) 492-4976	Leelanau
Melissa Martinez	(231) 534-7743	(231) 631-6095	Leelanau

Youth Services,  
GTB Heritage Library  
presents....

**E-gindaaso-jig (The Readers)  
CLUB**

4pm-5:30pm

Recommended Reading Age 12+  
All Welcome

**May**

- Monday, May 6
- Monday, May 13

Door Prizes and Incentives for school aged youth!!

**Location**

**M-22 Youth Building**  
2821 N. West Bayshore Drive, Peshawbestown

Come read with us! We will be reading and discussing the book of your choosing from 3 pre-selected books.  
**Snacks and books provided!!**

**For more information:**

Leilani DeFoe 231-631-9900    Delia Shawandase 231-463-5176

GTByouth@gtb-nsn.gov




Youth Services Presents  
**Aambe Kinomaadidaa**  
"Let's teach one another"

GTB families can come learn from one another in various projects/ workshops.

**Open Project Nights**

Bring own supplies. (fabric, leather, beads etc.)

**Tuesday's in May**

Have any unfinished projects?

**\*NO OPEN CENTER ON MAY 28th\***

**4:00 - 7:00 pm**

**M22 Youth Building**

**Limited Sewing Machines/Supplies.**

**\*\*USE OF CENTER FABRICS/LEATHERS IS LIMITED\*\***

More information contact:  
Delia Shawandase 231.534.7230  
GTByouth@gtb-nsn.gov

Subject to change  
2821 N West Bay Shore




Youth Services presents

**YOUTH & FAMILY BINGO NIGHT**

**MAY 31**

Strongheart Center  
2700 Strongheart Way, Peshawbestown, MI, 49682



**5pm-7pm**  
light dinner provided

Event will be cancelled if no participants show up after an hour into the event

**For More Information:**

Delia Shawandase 231-463-5176    Leilani DeFoe 231-631-9900

gtbyouth@gtb-nsn.gov

GTB Culture, Niizh Animikiig and Youth Services Present

**Come learn to make Regalia Belts**

Open to all GTB and Families

May choose between Arcylic/Parfleche or Metal Studded Belt. One belt per person

Must register with link/QR code to ensure correct size/materials by March 31st.

<https://bit.ly/49GX8zc>

\*Limited Supplies - 20 participants per date-First signed up, first served.

<u>Metal Studded Dates</u>			
3 Mile Office	Eyaawing Musuem	Charlevoix	Benzie
April 23, 2024 5:00pm-8pm	April 25, 2024 5:00pm-8pm	May 16, 2024 4:30pm-7pm	May 23, 2024 5:00pm-8pm

<u>Acrylic Parfleche Dates</u>			
3 Mile Office	M22 Youth Building	Charlevoix	Benzie
April 18, 2024 April 25, 2024 5:00pm-8pm	May 2, 2024 May 9, 2024 5:00pm-8pm	May 16, 2024 4:30pm-7pm	May 23, 2024 May 30, 2024 5:00pm-8pm

More Information:  
Leilani Defoe - 231.534.7747 - Leilani.Defoe@gtb-nsn.gov  
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GRAND TRAVERSE BAND HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

HIGHER EDUCATION, HIGH SCHOOL, GENERAL  
EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT, ADULT VOCATIONAL  
TRAINING GRADUATE PROFILE

THE ADVENTURE  
BEGINS!

We would love to include your picture and profile  
in an upcoming edition of the GTB News!

Please return this completed form along with a digital photo by **May 15, 2024**:  
highereducation@gtb-nsn.gov

or  
GTB Education Office  
845 Business Park Drive  
Traverse City, MI 49686

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
School: \_\_\_\_\_  
Diploma or Degree: \_\_\_\_\_  
Degree Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent(s)/Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Would you prefer a Ribbon Skirt or Ribbon Shirt and Size: \_\_\_\_\_  
Accomplishments (i.e., sports, honor roll, clubs, awards, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_  
Post-Graduation Plans (i.e., education, travel, volunteer service, employment, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_  
Quote for the GTB News: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS  
OF  
2024

**Congrats!**  
YOU DID IT!



All events are free and open to the Native American and Non-Native public. They promote Anishinabek culture, the musical arts, and health through Yang Style Tai Chi. Events hosted by the GTB Heritage Library, GTB Lifelong Learning, and the Institute of Museums and Library Services.

**Events Subject to Change**

**May 2024**

**HERITAGE LIBRARY PRESENTS**

# Spring EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

**Spring Music Lessons: Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays 10AM - 5PM @ Heritage Library**

30-Minute Guitar, Piano, and Voice lessons by **appointment**. Zoom Lessons Available. The Heritage Library has 3 electric keyboards/pianos, 3 children sized classical guitars, and 3 full sized classical guitars to borrow for lessons. **First Come First Serve. Adults 10AM - 5PM & Children 3PM - 5PM.**

**Spring Tai Chi Tuesdays & Thursdays: 12PM - 1PM @ Heritage Library**

Enjoy the relaxing art of Tai Chi with Francis Carew, who teaches Yang style Tai Chi, a low impact exercise that improves cardiorespiratory function, hypertension, muscular strength, balance, mobility, flexibility, and mind-body awareness.

**Kids/Family Wing Chun Kung Fu Class: Every Saturday 11AM - 12:30PM**

Kids/Family Wing Chun Kung Fu Class this winter at the Heritage Library. Come learn the ancient martial art of Kung Fu. No special clothes needed-just loose, comfortable clothing.

**Anishinaabek Tree & Leaf Identification Workshop: 5PM - 7PM @ Various Sites**

Learn to identifying trees and their leaves at the Anishinaabek Tree and Leaf Identification Workshops. At Workshop 1 we will learn how to identify trees by their bark. At Workshop 2 (June) we will learn how to identify trees by their leaves. We will meet at the workshop sites listed then proceed to the nearest woods for the workshop.

**Heritage Library: 5/8/24 3-Mile Office: 5/14/24 Benzie Office: 5/22/24 Charlevoix Office: 5/29/24**

**More Information:**

Francis Carew (231) 534-7752 Francis.Carew@gtb-nsn.gov  
2821 N West Bay Shore Dr. Peshawbestown, MI



Tribal School Teacher, Robert Joseph Palmer is a writing coach. He has been an educator and school leader for 20 years. Robert taught at Eton Academy, a National Exemplary School in Birmingham, MI, for six years and Royal Oak Alternative Education for 11 years where he co-founded the school. He has now founded three schools.

NOTE: must attend with a group/team you belong to or someone you collaborate with in life.

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION SPRING ADULT LEADERSHIP EVENT

Reveal Community

<b>MAY 8<sup>TH</sup></b> Traverse City Satellite Office 6:30PM - 8:00PM	<b>MAY 15<sup>TH</sup></b> Heritage Library, Peshawbestown 6:30PM - 8:00PM
<b>MAY 22<sup>ND</sup></b> Charlevoix Satellite Office 6:30PM - 8:00PM	<b>MAY 29<sup>TH</sup></b> Benzie Satellite Office 6:30PM - 8:00PM

We will be introduced to exploring what each of us holds sacred for ourselves and our group we attend with at the event – first privately, then shared with the team. When we share our lists with our membership, something profound is revealed.  
~ Reveal clarity, insights, flawed thinking, and/or calls to action to our leadership and role on our team. In other words, through the art of writing, we will channel our inner leader.

**MUST COMMUNICATE WITH FACILITATOR PRIOR TO ATTENDING**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: ROBERT PALMER (231) 534-7759

477 PROGRAM PRESENTS

## JOB READINESS WORKSHOPS

A TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

# SCHEDULE

COVER LETTER & RESUME WRITING, INTERVIEW SKILLS, & WORK ETHIC

**1:30 PM - 4:30 PM**  
**FEBRUARY 16, 2024**  
PESHAWBESTOWN: LIBRARY

~~**MAY 17, 2024**~~  
~~TRAVERSE CITY: 3-MILE OFFICE~~ **CANCELLED**

**AUGUST 16, 2024**  
PESHAWBESTOWN: LIBRARY

**NOVEMBER 15, 2024**  
TRAVERSE CITY: 3-MILE OFFICE

**TO REGISTER CALL OR EMAIL**

DERRELL SHAW (231) 534-7767 Derrell.Shaw@gtb-nsn.gov

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND NIIZH ANIMIKIIG  
PRESENT

# SUICIDE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION

**Learn How to Reduce Suicidal Behavior and Save Lives**

Join Behavioral Health for a suicide prevention training. This session will teach members how to recognize signs of crisis, empower community members to make a difference, & reduce suicide by providing resources. This discussion will go over suicide statistics in regard to Native Americans, myths associated with suicide, and what language to use when covering this topic.

## DATES & TIMES:

May 14<sup>th</sup> • 3:30-4:30 pm • Charlevoix Office  
 May 22<sup>nd</sup> • 3:30-4:30 pm • Peshawbestown  
 May 28<sup>th</sup> • 3:30-4:30 pm • Traverse City 3 Mile Office  
 May 31<sup>st</sup> • 3:30-4:30 pm • Benzie Office

**Contact**

Behavioral Health (231) 534-7090 GovBehavioralHealth@gtb-nsn.gov

# Youth GONA

Join us for the Youth GONA (Gathering of Native Americans), where community members come together to address issues and find solutions. This culture-based planning process empowers and supports tribes, and we invite you to be part of it. Mark your calendars for June 20-23, 2024, and stay tuned for more details. For any inquiries, please contact Dan DeKorse at (231) 534-7990.

# TALKING CIRCLE

**ZOOM DAILY 10:30AM- 11:30AM**  
 Zoom Meeting Code: **886 8701 6931**  
 Password: **sobertalk**

Join Scott via Zoom for a virtual talking circle Wellbriety meeting.

Questions, contact Scott

231-534-7247 or

scott.scholten@gtb-nsn.gov



Disseminate culturally based principles, values, and teachings to support healthy community development and servant leadership, and to support healing from alcohol, substance abuse, co-occurring disorders and intergenerational trauma.

## NENAANDAWE'IWEJIG TRADITIONAL HEALING

WITH **JOE SYRETTE**

"We are all spirits living a human life. When we take the time to heal and acknowledge our spirit, then and only then will we know and understand our path and journey through life."  
 -Syrette



### HEALING SESSIONS DATES & TIMES

**APRIL**  
 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> - Traverse City  
 23<sup>rd</sup>\* & 24<sup>th</sup> - Peshawbestown  
 \*SWEAT on 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm

**MAY**  
 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> - Benzie  
 21<sup>st</sup>\* & 22<sup>nd</sup> - Peshawbestown  
 \*SWEAT on 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm

**JUNE**  
 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> - Charlevoix  
 18<sup>th</sup>\* & 19<sup>th</sup> - Peshawbestown  
 \*SWEAT on 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm

### PROTOCOLS

When seeking a Traditional Healer, please see list below to help you prepare for your healing journey. All ages welcome!

- Bring enough Tobacco for a full Pipe bowl
- Refrain from Alcohol/Drugs 4 days prior
- *Optional: Gift with your request*
- Women on their sacred "moontime" (monthly cycle) cannot attend this session

### REGISTER FOR A SESSION OR SWEAT HERE



SCAN ME

### HEALING REQUESTS

Requests for Anishinaabe names, colors, clans, teaching, doctoring for illness, dreams, spiritual guidance, etc. are appropriate requests.

### CO-ED SWEATS

Co-Ed Sweat Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, & March 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in Peshawbestown. Limited capacity, must pre-register at [bit.ly/GTB\\_THH\\_APPT](https://bit.ly/GTB_THH_APPT)

**Reserve Your Spot in Co-ed Sweat Today!**

(231) 534-7090  
[bit.ly/GTB\\_BH](https://bit.ly/GTB_BH)  
 GOVBehavioralHealth@gtb-nsn.gov

2300 N. Stallman Road  
 Peshawbestown, MI 49682

Learn More About Joe Syrette Here!  
[bit.ly/THHJS\\_Bio](https://bit.ly/THHJS_Bio)

Behavioral Health Presents

# ALTERNATIVE THERAPIES

## FREE SESSIONS!

**MASSAGE • AURICULAR ACUPUNCTURE • ACUPUNCTURE ASHTANGA CHIROPRACTIC • ENERGY HEALING REIKI • YOGA • MEDITATION • MINDFULNESS & MORE**

The Behavioral Health Services (BHS) is now offering appointments for Alternative Therapies to the community. All services will be provided in BHS offices, including GTB Satellite offices. Services & providers subject to change.

SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT THE LINK TO LEARN MORE:  
[https://bit.ly/GTB\\_HS](https://bit.ly/GTB_HS)

MORE DATES & LOCATIONS TO BE ADDED FOR SERVICES

All services dependent on provider availability, contracts, funding & are first come first serve by signing up. Please limit appointments to one per person per 30-days to allow others access the services.

**CONTACT:**  
 Marion Wabanimkee-Minzey (231) 534-7091  
 Marion.Wabanimkee-Minzey@gtb-nsn.gov

Kathy Tahtinen (231) 534-7255  
 Kathy.Tahtinen@gtb-nsn.gov

# BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

- Psychiatric Telehealth Appointments
- Traditional Healer Appointments
- Sweat Lodge Ceremonies
- Outpatient and Inpatient Treatment Referrals
- Counseling Referrals and Resources
- Weekly Zoom Peer Recovery Support Meetings
- Prevention and Recovery Support and Events

More information, please contact Marion at 231-534-7090

# HUMAN SERVICES

**NEW FY24 Client Application Scan QR Code**  
**NEW Rent and Mortgage**  
**(One time assistance \$400/household/fiscal yr)**

- Food Rescue (All community members - Mondays after 11am)\*
- Food Pantry (application & appointment)\*
- Food Assistance (application)
- Emergency Heat Assistance (application)
- Other Emergency Assistance (application) [bit.ly/GTB\\_HSA\\_FY24](https://bit.ly/GTB_HSA_FY24)
- Weatherization Items (application & while supplies last)



More information, please contact  
**Andrea 231-534-7910**

\*Food Rescue & Pantry Located: lower level of Medicine Lodge\*

# ANISHINAABEK FAMILY SERVICES

GTB AFS is here to protect the best interest of Native American Children and to promote the stability and security of Indian Tribes and families by implementing the requirements established in the Indian Child Welfare Act and by Tribal customs, codes, and policies. To facilitate the coordination of all Federal, Tribal, State, and other Social Services programs for the Tribe.

**“Building a healthy community and strengthen our families by providing comprehensive strength-based and culturally appropriate services that promote healthy lifestyles and self-sufficiency.”**

**Anishinaabek Family Services provides Adult and Child Social Work, Adult Protective Services, Child Protective Services, Case Management, Prevention Services, and Victim Services**

**Family Support Services:**

Assessments, Resources, Referrals, Support, Planning, and Parenting Education

**Child Protective Services:**

Child Abuse or Neglect Investigations on Tribal Land

**Foster Home Licensing:**

Providing support and education to licensed foster homes

**Community Resources, Education, and Referrals, Family Intervention and Prevention Assistance, Elder & Vulnerable Adult Intervention, Prevention, and Resources**

**STAFF DIRECTORY**

**AFS Caseworkers**

Laura Mains, Tim Stark, Jennifer Ray

**Adult Family Caseworker**

Jordan Langley

**Child Protective Service**

Robert Downen

**AFS Supervisor**

Denise Johnson

**CONTACT**

[AFS@gtb-nsn.gov](mailto:AFS@gtb-nsn.gov)

(231) 499-5126

**OFFICE LOCATION**

Medicine Lodge

2300 Stallman Rd

Peshawbestown, MI 49682

## ADMINISTRATION TRAINING



**4:00-5:00pm**

at the following locations:

**Charlevoix - Satellite Office**  
**May 14<sup>th</sup>**  
10085 Wa-Ba-Noong Mi-Kun

**Peshawbestown - Medicine Lodge**  
**May 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
2300 N. Stallman Road

**Traverse City - 3 Mile**  
**May 28<sup>th</sup>**  
845 Business Park Drive

**Benzie - Satellite Office**  
**May 31<sup>st</sup>**  
7282 Hoadley Road



## NALOXONE (NARCAN)

Naloxone (Narcan™) is an opiate antidote which reverses an opioid overdose in much the same manner as an EpiPen (epinephrine injection) reverses an allergic reaction. Opioids include heroin and prescription pain pills like OxyContin, Percocet, methadone, and Vicodin. When a person is overdosing from an opioid, their central nervous system and respiration system is depressed and breathing slows or stops. Naloxone blocks the effects of opioids and reverses the effects of an overdose.

**Topics Include:**

- Ability to recognize the signs of an opioid overdose.
- Acquire knowledge of how to administer the opioid overdose reversal drug Naloxone.
- Understand the role of harm reduction in the overall opioid public health crisis solutions / action plan / strategy.

The Layperson Naloxone (NARCAN) training course is suitable for laypersons, including, but not limited to businesses, organizations, community members, correctional facilities, educators, faith groups, government and health care professionals, parents and caregivers, pharmacies, school nurses, senior living facilities, sober living communities, treatment and recovery centers, and more.

Behavioral Health Presents

## FIRST AID MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING

Mental Health First Aid is an interactive training that presents an overview of mental illness and substance use disorders in the U.S.

- Limited Seats Available, Must Sign Up Ahead of Time
- Must Be Over 18 Years of Age to Participate in This Training
- Must Commit to the Whole Day Training (8am-5pm)
- Pre & Post Surveys Will Be Required

EVENT SPONSORED :



**JUNE 24 & 25 2024**

**Starts at 8:00am**

**JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup> MEDICINE LODGE**  
2300 N. STALLMAN RD, PESHAWBESTOWN

**JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup> 3-MILE SATELLITE OFFICE**  
845 BUSINESS PARK DR, TRAVERSE CITY



Help Keep Your Community & Family Safe by Learning the Signs of Mental Health Distress

**REGISTER: CALL (231) 534-7090**

[https://bit.ly/GTB\\_HS](https://bit.ly/GTB_HS)

**KATHY TAHTINEN (231) 534-7255**

**KATHY.TAHTINEN@GTB-NSN.GOV**

PLEASE PROVIDE PARTICIPANT NAME, PHONE NUMBER, & EMAIL



# HUSTLE FOR THAT MUSCLE.

**New Strongheart Hours**  
Starting May - October

**MONDAY - THURSDAY**  
6:30AM - 7:00PM

**FRIDAY**  
6:30AM - 6:00PM

**SATURDAY**  
9:00AM - 1:00PM

**CLOSED SUNDAYS & MAJOR HOLIDAYS**

**\*\*SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\***

**FRONT DESK: (231) 534-7457**  
**2700 STRONGHEART WAY, PESHAWBESTOWN**







More Information 

*36<sup>th</sup> Annual*

# Michigan Indian Family Olympics

**Friday, July 19, 2024**

**Central Michigan University's**   
Bennett Track & Field

TEAM GTB Registration opens: May 6 | [https://bit.ly/GTB\\_MIFO\\_REG24](https://bit.ly/GTB_MIFO_REG24)

For more information, please contact: Leanne Alber at (231) 534-7551



Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan  
"Working Together for Our Future"

7500 Soaring Eagle Blvd.  
Mount Pleasant, MI 48858  
989-775-4000  
[www.sagchip.org](http://www.sagchip.org)

# ZUMBA DANCE FITNESS CLASS

## EVERY Wednesday

Starting February 14<sup>th</sup>  
**12pm - 1pm**

No Dance Experience Required!  
FREE to Tribal & Gym Members!  
\$10 per Class for Non-Members

**Zumba Certified Instructor:**  
Natalie Kohler

**Strongheart Center**  
(231) 534-7457  
2700 Strongheart Way, Peshawbestown





**Grand Traverse Band**  
**Federal Recognition Day**  
**BENZIE**  
**5K CELEBRATION WALK / RUN**  
**Miptoo-Daa! Let's Run!**

5K STARTS AT  
**9am**



**FOOD • FUN • DOOR PRIZES**

Everyone Invited! Walking Encouraged!

Fun for the whole family with **Door Prizes, Prize Drawings & FREE T-Shirt!**  
**Must Be Present to Win!**

**FOR MORE INFO: CALL, TEXT, OR EMAIL STRONGHEART STAFF**

**05.18.24**  
**SATURDAY**

**BENZIE OFFICE**  
7282 HOADLEY RD.  
CALL: (231) 534-7831 | TEXT: (231) 866-0954  
EMAIL: [STRONGHEART.CIVIC.CENTER@GTB-NSN.GOV](mailto:STRONGHEART.CIVIC.CENTER@GTB-NSN.GOV)



[WWW.GTBINDIANS.ORG/STRONGHEART.ASP](http://WWW.GTBINDIANS.ORG/STRONGHEART.ASP)



# HOUSING

ALL PROGRAMS BASED ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

## HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE Offered by GTB HOUSING

### EMERGENCY HOME REPAIR

- ✓ \$15,000 available to household in any rolling 5 year period.
- ✓ Completed application & attachments are required at time of requested service. Please review ALL regulations of the program.
- ✓ Must be primary resident of the home and within 6 county service area.



### SEPTIC PUMPOUT

- ✓ Must be primary resident of the home & within 6-county service area.
- ✓ Eligible for (1) pumpout every other year.

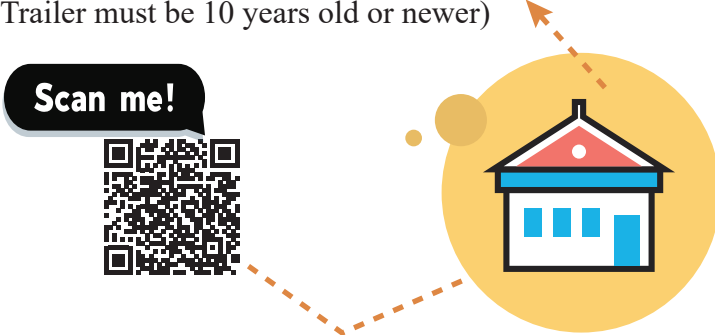
### HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE PROGRAM

- ✓ \$20,000 total lifetime availability for Elders or certified disabled tribal member homeowner.
- ✓ Must be primary resident of the home & within 6-county service area.



### DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE/ HOMEBUYER EDUCATION

- ✓ Available to Tribal Members purchasing a home within 6-county area
- ✓ Pathways Home Classes
- ✓ Limited to a One Time Use (lifetime)
- ✓ Cannot access the Emergency Home Repair for 5 years
- ✓ Qualified Tribal Member Households receive \$15,000
- ✓ Single wide trailers may receive up to 10% of the purchase price (Trailer must be 10 years old or newer)

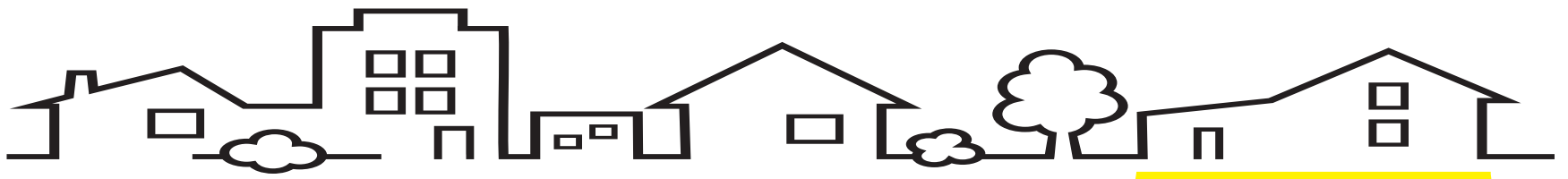


## NAHASDA Rental Subsidy Assistance

\*Please note the differences in the programs\*

### Eligibility for Rental Subsidy Assistance

- A. To be eligible for rental assistance, applicants must meet all of the below conditions:
1. Be an enrolled Tribal member of the Grand Traverse Band;
  2. Be eighteen (18) years of age or older;
  3. Reside in one (1) of the following counties: Leelanau, Grand Traverse, Antrim, Charlevoix, Benzie, or Manistee;
  4. Qualify as a low-income family, defined as a family whose income does not exceed 80% of the median income, as published annually by Office of Housing and Urban Development (HUD);
  5. Live in a space that requires rental payment. For example; apartment, mobile home park, town house, etc. Rental assistance **will not be offered for assistance with mortgage payments, lot rent (of participant owned/mortgaged home) or when renting an individual room;**
  6. Not be delinquent on their rent at the time assistance is offered;
- B. The applicant is eligible to receive **up to** \$250.00 per month for rental assistance.
- C. Rental assistance may be provided for a maximum of six months in a two-year period.
- D. Applicants who receive benefits and become ineligible due to receiving the maximum six months of benefits are eligible to re-apply two (2) years after date of initial application.
- E. An applicant may not receive rental assistance while receiving the benefit of any other form of housing subsidy for the same dwelling unit. (with the exception of the ARP supplemental assistance)
- F. Applicants that owe monies to the Grand Traverse Band Housing Department are not eligible for Rental Subsidy Assistance until the balance is paid in full.



## CONTACT US

**HOUSING TENANTS**  
After Hrs. Emergency Line  
**231-866-1290**

Lori Dudley	Administrative Assistant	(231) 534-7800
Maxx Jacko	Occupancy Specialist	(231) 534-7447
Joe Kaubenaw	Occupancy Specialist – GTB rental info Down Payment Information/Homebuyer Education	(231) 534-7803
Emmett Marlow	Occupancy Specialist – GTB rental info	(231) 534-7802
Tarik Bouguettaya	Emergency Home Repair, Handicap Accessibility Program	(231) 534-7886
Nicki Basch	Department Manager	(231) 534-7449

[www.gtbindians.org/housing\\_dept.asp](http://www.gtbindians.org/housing_dept.asp)

# NATIONAL WOMEN'S HEALTH WEEK



**Dr. Jessica A. Rickert, DDS, Anishinaabe Dental Outreach**, is the first female American Indian Dentist, a member of the Prairie Band Pottawatomi Nation. She attended the University of Michigan School of Dentistry and practiced in private practice and at the Family Health Care FQHC located in Baldwin.

## SACRED ANISHINAABE WOMEN

Anishinaabe women are sacred, honored, and revered because they bring new Anishinaabe babies to our tribes, and for their vital role in raising children. The earth's energy powers the cycles of life, including the cycles of Anishinaabe women, the Anishinaabekwewag.

## NATIONAL WOMEN'S HEALTH WEEK (NWHW)

National Women's Health Week (NWHW), 5/14 - 5/20, celebrates the health and well-being of all women. Healthy teeth...healthy woman...healthy tribe...healthy Anishinaabe! How can we achieve this goal?

- Ideal physical health
- Prevention
- Stress management
- Physical activity
- Healthy eating

## IDEAL HEALTH

Ideal Health can be defined as the condition of being of sound body, mind, and spirit, with freedom from physical disease or pain. There are many factors contributing to ideal health. Genetics plays a big part, which cannot be controlled. Why not control what each of us can to promote individual ideal health?

Dental disease contributes to premature births and low-birth weight. Healthy eating for mother and baby requires excellent dental health.

The Center for Disease Control states that

Native American women die at a higher rate from pregnancy-related causes than in any other group of mothers. Our women's health impacts the future of our Anishinaabe nations.

## PREVENTION

Prevention is key to optimal health. The early diagnosis and treatments of diseases results in better health outcomes for women.

Anishinaabe have a higher rate of diabetes than any other group. Adhering to CDC recommendations to control diabetes can slow many severe effects. Excellent dental health with a full complement of strong teeth and healthy gums enables diabetics to eat the recommended raw vegetables and fruits. The American Dental Association states that dental disease makes blood sugar control so difficult. When diabetes is not controlled, the human body will deteriorate more quickly. A negative spiral begins when uncontrolled diabetes causes more tooth loss and gum deterioration; this makes eating raw vegetables and fruits and cooked protein more difficult. Blood sugar levels then become hard to control. Heart disease is the number one killer of women in this country. People with gum disease have two to three times the risk of experiencing heart attack disease and stroke.

Obesity is a serious problem for all women. Dental disease resulting in poor chewing ability can lead to a diet of soft, gooey, sugary, caloric foods which seem to be addictive.

Nearly one million American women will be diagnosed with cancer this year. Early cancer detection saves many women's lives.

Cancers of the mouth are diagnosed and treated by dentists, oral surgeons and oncologists. It is so important that all women see the dentist at least once a year. Oral cancers include lip, tongue, roof-of-the-mouth, inside cheek, floor-of-the-mouth, jawbone, and salivary gland cancers. Tobacco, illegal drugs, and alcohol use increase the risk of all oral cancers. Throat cancer rates have risen in the past two decades. These are most often caused by the Human Papilloma Virus, (HPV). The HPV vaccine can prevent most of these cancers.

## STRESS

Stress affects the entire body. Preventing and managing stress improves the health of women. There are many factors which cause stress: money problems, a long-term illness, taking care of family (add your own woes to this list).

Physical signs of stress can include Temporomandibular Joint Disorder (TMJD). If diagnosed early, the dentist can help stop damage to the teeth, gums, face, and joints.

## PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Physical Activity improves health and can relieve stress. May is also National Physical Fitness and Sports Month, so this is a good time to start walking, swimming, biking, dancing, exercising, joining competitive sports and other activities. The key to better strength, endurance, and stamina is consistency. For any contact sport, a mouth guard is recommended for protection. If dental pain is present, women are less likely to exercise.

## PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Healthy Eating always requires choosing healthy, whole foods. Women should limit the amount of junk foods eaten. Foods and beverages high in added sugars, saturated fat, and sodium can contribute to many health problems, including poor dental health.

The digestive process begins in the mouth. The saliva has enzymes which start the breakdown of food. Excellent dental health with a full complement of strong teeth and gums starts the process. The chewing process macerates food so that the stomach & intestines can ideally extract the nutrients. Healthy choices include fruits, vegetables, whole grains, milk, yogurt, cheese, rice, seafood, lean meats, poultry, beans, peas, lentils, nuts, and eggs. These foods promote excellent dental health.

There are many recommended minerals, which include: Calcium, iron, iodine, magnesium, phosphorus, selenium, zinc, and folic acid. All vitamins, but especially vitamin B9, vitamin D and omega-3 fatty acids, are essential for women to be healthy. These nutrients can be found in whole foods.

Women do have unique nutritional needs, during different stages of life, such as adolescence, during pregnancy and breast feeding or after menopause.

Water and milk supply all the body needs to have strong teeth, healthy saliva, hydrated gums and strong bones and muscles. Anishinaabekwewag's love and care for the Anishinaabe is greatly esteemed. My challenge to you is to love yourself enough to improve your health this month!

1. <https://www.koognaasewin.com/blog/anishinaabekwewag-anishinaabe-women> 2. <https://niibcenter.org/3>, <https://www.womenshealth.gov/nwhw> 4. <https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/health> 5. <https://ohioline.osu.edu/factsheet/HYG-5573#:~:text=Pregnant%20and%20breastfeeding%20women%20need%20more%20nutrients%20than,whole%20grains%2C%20lean%20protein%20and%20low-fat%20dairy%20products> 6. <https://www.myplate.gov/life-stages/pregnancy-and-breastfeeding> 7. <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3926714/> 8. <https://www.cancer.org/cancer/types/oral-cavity-and-oropharyngeal-cancer/about/key-statistics.html> 9. <https://www.health.harvard.edu/heart-health/gum-disease-and-heart-disease-the-common-thread#:~:text=People%20with%20gum%20disease%20also%20known%20as%20periodontal,But%20there%20may%20not%20be%20a%20direct%20connection> 10. <https://health.gov/myhealthfinder/health-conditions/heart-health/management-stress>

# GTB DENTAL CLINIC

The Grand Traverse Band Health Services Department (Manoomin-Rice): Dental Clinic is currently experiencing a staffing shortage that is affecting our dental hygiene appointments. Effective May 5th, we will have a part-time Dental Hygienist and actively recruiting a full-time Dental Hygienist. As we work through this process we ask for your understanding moving forward. You may receive a call to cancel or reschedule your scheduled hygiene care and may experience longer times between your hygiene appointments. We are hoping to have this resolved as soon as possible and appreciate your patience while we address this issue. In the meantime, you can contact Stella Chippewa at the PRC office at 231-534-7931 for referrals to other dental offices in the area to accommodate your oral hygiene needs. We apologize

for this inconvenience and hope to see all our patients back at their dental home here at GTB in the near future!

On behalf of your GTB Dental Team,  
Chi-Megwetch!

Sonya Zotigh, MPA  
GTB Health Administrator  
Sonya.Zotigh2@gtb-nsn.gov  
(231) 534-7241 or cell: (231) 463-7193

Call our office today to schedule an appointment!  
We hope to see you soon!

**(231) 534-7211**



# GTB HEALTH CLINIC

MAY PHYSICAL FITNESS AWARENESS MONTH



## PHYSICAL FITNESS AWARENESS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY & EVERYDAY

May is dedicated to raising awareness about the benefits of being physically active. Most often when we think of physical activity, cardiovascular health, weight control, blood sugar and blood pressure control, building muscle and getting in shape come to mind. Physical activity also provides many benefits to mental wellbeing. Being physically active helps in gaining self-confidence, being happier, and even smarter thinking. Regardless of age or fitness level, getting inspired to exercise can lead to a healthier and happier life overall.

Benefits of Physical Activity Include:

- Children & adolescents – Improves muscular fitness and bone and heart health.
- Adults – Can lower risk for heart disease, type 2 diabetes, and some types of cancer.
- Older adults – Can lower risk of falls and improve cognition.
- Stress Reduction – Increase levels of norepinephrine, which can improve response to stress.
- Boost overall mood – Release endorphins, which can create feelings of happiness.
- Improve self-confidence – Can elevate a person's perception of their self-worth.
- Prevent cognitive decline – Can prevent degeneration of the hippocampus; important to memory and learning.
- Alleviate anxiety – Release of brain chemicals during and after can have a calming effect and decrease anxiety.
- Boost brainpower – Cardiovascular exercise can help in creating new brain cells, improve overall brain performance and is believed to help with decision-making.
- Get more done – Workers who take time for exercise on a regular basis are more productive and have more energy than their more sedentary peers, according to research findings

## GTB FAMILY HEALTH CLINIC PATIENTS

The Grand Traverse Band Health Services Department (Manoomin-Rice) would like to kindly remind GTB patients to please arrive 15 minutes early before your Clinic and/or Dental Clinic appointments. If you are

running late, please call 231-534-7200 for the Clinic and 231-534-7211 for the Dental Clinic to ensure that your appointment can be accommodated.

Please remember to bring all your IDs and insurance, especially if there are any updates to be made. If you are experiencing any covid or flu-like symptoms let staff know when you are checking in.

Your Grand Traverse Band Family Health Clinic is pleased to announce an Elders Vaccination Clinic on May 8th, 2024 in Benzie. We are partnering with the GTB Elders Department, and we will be offering a second COVID-19 booster. The new booster has been recently recommended for those 65 years old and over, and immunocompromised clients. This is a second dose of the 2023/24 formulation and needs to be greater than 4 months since your last dose.

You must be registered and eligible with GTB Clinic, but on-site registration will be available.

Any questions please call one of your **GTB nurses at (231) 534-7236, toll free (866) 534-7750 ext 7256.**

For more information:  
<https://bit.ly/CDC-OA-COVID-19>

## CHIEF PHARMACIST ANNOUNCEMENT

The Grand Traverse Band Health Services Department (Manoomin-Rice) is very excited to announce that Kimberly Hines, has begun her employment with us today as the Chief Pharmacist.

We are so happy to have her join our team to help fulfill a key priority of our Department and the GTB Leadership: To commence the steps towards the establishment of our very own GTB Pharmacy to better serve our Tribal and community members.

Kimberly comes to us with an impressive and comprehensive background working with Walgreen Pharmacies for many years. She will be in office #213 at the Medicine

Lodge, and her extension is 534-7245. Please join us in welcoming Kim to our GTB team.

## HEALTH FAIR

The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians' ANNUAL HEALTH FAIR will be held on the 16th of August 2024 at our Medicine Lodge in Peshawbestown, Michigan: 2300 N. Stallman Rd. Peshawbestown, Michigan 49682.

Making this great event successful requires hard work and funding from our dedicated sponsors, donors, and volunteers. The Health Fair committee does not make a profit from this event, and it is not our intention to make a profit. Our soul mission and goals are to provide an event that promotes overall, holistic health, healthy lifestyles, and health awareness.

Your support will play a crucial part in the Health Fair's success and that is why we are requesting your help. Please consider donating to support the GTB Health Fair. Any product, service, or monetary donation would be welcomed and used towards the mission and goals of the Health Fair.

With your contribution, we will place your name in our program. We will also provide the list of contributors to our Tribal Council, Tribal Membership and community expressing our appreciation for the contribution via the Grand Traverse Band's monthly newsletter.

We look forward to hearing from you and anticipate that, through your generous assistance, our 2024 GTB Health Fair to be one of our biggest and best yet.

Please contact our **Health Fair Committee members:** Stella Chippewa at 231-534-7931 or [stella.chippewa@gtb-nsn.gov](mailto:stella.chippewa@gtb-nsn.gov) or Mary Agosa at 231-534-7556 or [mary.agosa@gtb-nsn.gov](mailto:mary.agosa@gtb-nsn.gov).

Megwetch-Thank you!

Sonya Zotigh, MPA GTB Health Administrator

**See Fundraiser flyers on page 19**  
**See "Save The Date" flyer on page 23**



## AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE VETERANS

### Copayment Exemption

You may be eligible for copayment exemption and reimbursement of copays for health care and all urgent care visits.

Learn about eligibility and how to submit official Tribal documentation:

**Visit**  
[www.va.gov/health-care/copay-rates](http://www.va.gov/health-care/copay-rates)

**Call**  
1-800-MyVA411  
(1-800-698-2411)

**Scan**  
With your smartphone

GTB Tribal Veteran Representative Angelina Raphael 231.534.7731



## Renewals Are Coming... Don't Lose Your Coverage

Make sure your contact information is up to date!

For assistance, reach out to

**The Grand Traverse Band Family Health Clinic**  
**PRC Benefits Coordinator Angelina 231-534-7731**



Need assistance or would like more information? Please contact  
**Angelina Raphael, PRC Benefits Coordinator**

GTB Tribal Veteran Representative / Certified Medicare & Medicaid Assistance Program Councilor / MDHHS Community Partner

**(231) 534-7731 or (231) 866-0326 (call/text)**  
**[Angelina.Raphael@gtb-nsn.gov](mailto:Angelina.Raphael@gtb-nsn.gov)**

<https://bit.ly/GTB-AGR>

# MAY AGRICULTURAL FOOD SOVEREIGNTY

Lets Grow Together



## ZIIBIN (SUMMER) FARM WORKSHOPS

Are you ready to roll up your sleeves and experience the joys of farming in 2024? Join us at the Peshawbestown Farm for our exciting Sweetgrass Transplanting Day, Corn Planting Day, and Squash Planting Day! And wait, there's more! We'll also be planting corn and squash at the Charlevoix Farm. Get ready to immerse yourself in the beauty of nature, learn new farming techniques, and make unforgettable memories with like-minded enthusiasts. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to connect with the land and cultivate your passion for farming!

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Sweetgrass Transplanting Day**  
MAY 28<sup>th</sup> 2:00 – 6:00PM at Peshawbestown Gitigann
- Corn Planting Day**  
June 3<sup>rd</sup> 4:00 – 6:00PM at Peshawbestown Gitigann
- Squash Planting Day**  
June 4<sup>th</sup> 4:00 – 6:00PM at Peshawbestown Gitigann
- Corn & Squash Planting Day**  
June 6<sup>th</sup> 1:00 – 3:00PM at Charlevoix Gitigann



## 2024 VEGETABLE PLANT GIVE-AWAY

We're excited to announce that we'll be hosting a plant and seed give-away event for the 2024 growing season! The main plant give-away will take place on May 21st from 3:00 - 6:00 PM at the Pow Wow Ground pavilion, where you can take home up to 12 plants per person. We'll also be bringing some vegetable plants and seed to the GTB 3 Mile Office, Charlevoix Office, and Benzie Office, which will be available from May 28th to May 31st.

We'll have a variety of vegetable plants available, such as tomato, cherry tomato, bell pepper, jalapeño pepper, herbs, cucumber, cabbage, broccoli, winter squash, zucchini, and more. Additionally, we'll be offering bags of our GTB-made fish waste compost, made from 3,000 pounds of fish waste that we compost at our farm. We're getting a sifter to make sure the compost is consistent and high quality.

As a community, we believe that everyone should have the opportunity to cultivate their own garden at home. To this end, we are excited to offer an event exclusively for the GTB community. We encourage you to help us spread the word so that everyone can take advantage of this fantastic opportunity to grow their own garden and reap the benefits of fresh, healthy produce. Together, let's make sure that no one misses out on this incredible chance to learn about gardening and cultivate their green thumb!

**GTB  
VEGETABLE  
PLANT  
GIVEAWAY**

OPEN TO ALL GTB COMMUNITY  
(TRIBAL MEMBERS & GTB EMPLOYEES)  
**MAY 23<sup>RD</sup> 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM**  
**POWOW GROUNDS PAVILION**

**PLANTS AVAILABLE:**  
TOMATOES, PEPPERS, HOT PEPPERS,  
BASIL, SQUASH, BROCCOLI, KALE,  
& MORE!

**QUESTIONS?**  
CONTACT WILLIAM DEROUIN  
(231) 534-7023  
✉ WILLIAM.DEROUIN@GTB-NSN.GOV

**GTB Is Now Offering FREE  
Household Battery Recycling!!**

With support from the Leelanau County Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection GTB will now be collecting batteries from GTB households and recycling them at Leelanau County HHW Collection Days. Blue Collection Tubes (pictured below) will be located at: **ALL Satellite Offices, Strongheart, Medicine Lodge, and Housing.**

The collection tubes are for standard household batteries such as AA, AAA, 9v, C and D Batteries and "Button" type batteries. Please Note Lithium and 9v batteries **MUST** be separate from other batteries and placed in a plastic bag or have the terminals taped with clear tape. Car Batteries, Laptop Batteries and other larger batteries should be disposed of through your county's Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection.

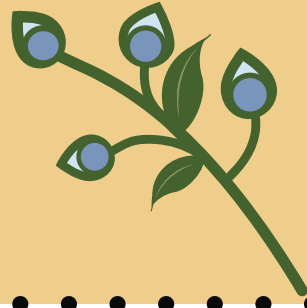
**For more information, please contact Scott Mitchell at (231) 534-7036 or NRD Front Desk at (231) 534-7500.**





# MAY CULTURAL & LANGUAGE

[https://bit.ly/GTB\\_Cultural](https://bit.ly/GTB_Cultural)



Boozhoo kina gwiya, Federal Recognition Day is quickly approaching, and to celebrate this year GTB will be hosting a traditional pow wow at Turtle Creek Casino. I would like to take the time to highlight the head staff to the community as they help us welcome another year of being federally recognized!

### Host Drum

**Bear Creek**, we are excited to have Bear Creek Singers join us for FRD 2024 Pow wow. Bear Creek has travelled the North American continent sharing their Grammy nominated sound with the world. Originally hailing from Batchewana First Nations, Bear Creek has expanded and grown throughout their over 25 years of singing to include singers from various locations. Be on the lookout for their newly dropped album ALIVE, available on iTunes and CD.

### Local Host Drum

**Dusty Bear**, our local host drum originally started singing together in the mid 2000's and are still going strong close to 20 years later. The singers have been making and singing their own songs, while expanding outside of the Peshawbestown area to include singers from all over the 6 county service area.

### Head Dancers

**Tiana Schocko and Jared Broome**, both dancers are hosting dance specials during pow wow.

**Tiana Schocko**, is a Champion Jingle Dress dancer that has called Peshawbestown home. She has been dancing most of life, attending pow wow's and ceremony alike. Tiana is a former World Hoop Dance Champion, while participating in GTB prevention programs and continues to lead by example to all around her.

**Jared Broome**, was gracious enough to accept the Head Dancer duties, to showcase his Grass Dance skills. Jared travels to pow wow's to share his love of dancing and singing with his Drum groups, Dusty Bear and Swift Voice. Jared is a solid example of sticking to your traditions and culture as it has opened many opportunities.

### Jr. Head Dancers

**Liliana McClellan-Shinos & Brandon Marshall Jr.**, are both local youth that have exhibited extraordinary dancing prowess. After a tough decision, these young dancers have caught the attention of community members as they travel out to represent GTB at various pow wow's in the Midwest area.

### Arena Director

**Tom Shomin**, sharing many, many, many years of experience in the Pow Wow circle, Tom will keep things running smoothly with his expert knowledge. A Champion Fancy Dancer himself, as well as a member of Dusty Bear Singers, we are honored to call on him for his assistance and guidance for this year's FRD Pow Wow.

### Master of Ceremonies

**Paul Raphael**, We are all looking forward to hearing the soothing sounds of Paul's voice on the microphone during the FRD celebration. Paul is world renown during his time as a Peacekeeper for GTB, as well as his art work, singing, dancing and storytelling. Paul has the perfect blend of Cultural knowledge, Anishinaabemowin, and Dad jokes to ensure a great time this year. We are excited that Paul is able to assist this year to make our pow wow even more memorable.

Take a look at the NEXT PAGE & BACK PAGE of the GTB News for complete flyers. Also, stay connected with our Facebook event page, so you never miss a beat.

Chi miigwech g'bizindaawii'ik miinwa wingezik (Thank you for listening and take care)

Mii'iw  
Makwa Chivis

GTB Culture Department

## Moccasin Workshop



Must Register



20 Spots Available  
[bit.ly/3wMnkdl](https://bit.ly/3wMnkdl)

Eyaawing Museum

Thursday, May 16th  
9am -5pm  
Friday, May 17th  
9am-4pm

More Information:  
TaShena Sams  
Culture Assistant/Program Director  
231.534.7766  
[TaShena.Sams2@gtb-nsn.gov](mailto:TaShena.Sams2@gtb-nsn.gov)

Seeking GTB High School Youth 14-18 years old interested in creating and developing...

GTB Culture/Language

# podcast

*Stream*

Starting April 3rd  
Every Wednesday in April  
3:30pm-6pm  
Eyaawing Museum

**\* Incentive Program**

If interested Contact:

TaShena Sams  
231.534.7766  
[TaShena.Sams2@gtb-nsn.gov](mailto:TaShena.Sams2@gtb-nsn.gov)



# YOUTH JINGLE SPECIAL

*Hosted by head dancer Tiana Schocko & family*

## 1ST PLACE

*\$500 + Ribbon Skirt  
+ gift basket*

## 2ND PLACE

*\$200 + Beaded Earrings  
+ gift basket*

## 3RD PLACE

*\$100 + Wild Rice  
+ gift basket*

*Photographer: @Nbiishplease*



# JARED BROOME

# YOUTH GRASS SPECIAL

**MAY 11TH  
2024**

**17 & UNDER**

**1ST PLACE 300\$**

**2ND PLACE 200\$**

**3RD PLACE 100\$**

**CONSOLATIONS FOR ALL  
NON-PLACING DANCERS**

**GRAND TRAVERSE BAND  
OF OTTAWA & CHIPPEWA INDIANS**

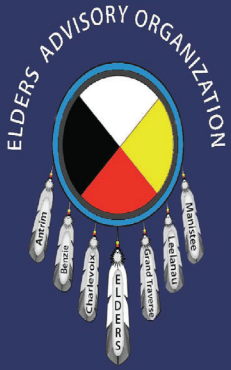
**44TH ANNUAL FEDERAL RECOGNITION DAY  
MINI TRADITIONAL POW-WOW**

**7741 M-72, WILLIAMSBURG, MI**

**POSTER AND PHOTO  
@NBIISHPLEASE**

# JOIN US FOR THE 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

HOSTED BY THE ELDERS ADVISORY ORGANIZATION



"WITH AGE COMES WISDOM"

**SATURDAY, JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> 2024**

11AM - 3PM AT EAO HEADQUARTERS  
717 WOODMERE AVE, TRAVERSE CITY, MI

Come and celebrate with the Elders Advisory Organization Board of Directors at our inaugural Annual Membership Meeting!

Become a member, pay your \$10 annual dues, and receive your exclusive welcome bag.

Enjoy light snacks, beverages, and explore vendor booths.

Don't miss out on exciting door prizes!

## WHO CAN ATTEND?

The Elders Advisory Organization is exclusively for federally recognized tribal elders aged 55 and above residing in the following counties: Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Grand Traverse, Leelanau, and Manistee.

We do recognize Tribal Members spouses or cohabitants.

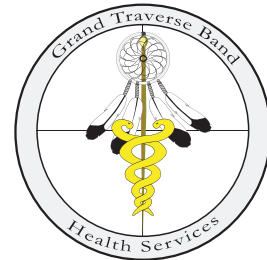
MEGWETCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT! SAVE THE DATE & LET'S RECONNECT SOON!

FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL: SANDY ANDERSON  
(231) 866-0064 · SAndersonElders@gmail.com



## SPORTS PHYSICALS

The Grand Traverse Band Family Health Clinic providers are available to provide sports participation clearance exams and well-child checks!



AVAILABLE AT THE GTB CLINIC  
Monday-Friday  
8:15am to 3:15pm

CALL NOW TO SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT!  
Clinic (231) 534-7200 Toll free (866) 534-7750 ext 7256

The GTB Family Medicine Clinic's mission is to provide quality health care in a confidential atmosphere with dignity.



GRAND TRAVERSE BAND

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## 'LET'S ALL CLEAN'

GTB Housing, Owned Properties, & Tribal Trust Land ONLY!

Carlson Road, Peshawbestown, Benzie, Antrim, Charlevoix, & Herkner Housing Property Maps (Pink & Yellow parcels) & Anti-Dumping Ordinance: [bit.ly/GTB\\_FM](https://bit.ly/GTB_FM)

### IMPORTANT CHANGES!

#### JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup>

#### JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup>

- Curbside Refuse **pick-up** will now be **limited to a 5x5x5 pile per address**. Anything over that size pile **WILL NOT BE PICKED UP** and will be the responsibility of the resident/homeowner to dispose of and removed from curbside by June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
- Items that **WILL NOT BE PICKED UP CURBSIDE**: household garbage, concrete, bricks, commercial and residential construction material, batteries, liquid paint, gas, oil, pesticides, yard waste, and refrigerants. **Tires without rims are acceptable (limit 4 per address)**.
- Once the truck comes through your area **7:00am – Noon, IT WILL NOT RETURN!**
- DO NOT start refuse piles until June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024!** This is mandated and enforced in accordance with GTB Tribal Code Chapter 11 – Anti-Dumping Ordinance.

- An additional day for Refuse clean-up will be offered by **Drop-Off only** in **Peshawbestown**. The drop-off site will be located across from Leelanau Sands Casino in the east parking lot. Drop-off site will open at **8:00am – 6:00pm. One drop-off load per address!**
- The same refuse items not picked up curbside, are not eligible for drop off
- NO boxed trucks or enclosed trailers allowed to drop-off refuse
- You **MUST** reside on GTB Housing/GTB Owned Properties/Tribal Trust Land. *Addresses will be confirmed from the list on-site.*
- You **MUST** show valid ID's; **GTB Tribal ID and Driver's License or State ID. ID's must match address from the list.** Once verified, your signature is required.
- We ask for your patience** upon arrival, wait in line, pull-up when motioned, stay in your vehicle since on-site workers will unload.

#### Questions:

Facilities Maintenance (231) 534-7700  
Housing Front Desk (231) 534-7800



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## GTB HEALTH DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES DATES FOR THE 50/50 RAFFLE FUNDRAISERS FOR THE ANNUAL GTB HEALTH FAIR 2024:

APRIL 3, TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE  
APRIL 24, 50/50 RAFFLE WINNER ANNOUNCED

MAY 1, TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE  
MAY 22, 50/50 RAFFLE WINNER ANNOUNCED

JUNE 5, TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE  
JUNE 26, 50/50 RAFFLE WINNER ANNOUNCED

JULY 3, TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE  
JULY 24, 50/50 RAFFLE WINNER ANNOUNCED

AUGUST 7, TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE  
AUGUST 16, 50/50 RAFFLE WINNER ANNOUNCED

Please contact: Mary Agosa @ 534-7556  
Stella Chippewa @ 534-7931  
Sonya Zotigh @ 534-7241

GTB ANNUAL HEALTH FAIR SAVE THE DATE 8/16/2024

# PUBLIC SAFETY

## A Guide Promoting Pedestrian Safety Among Children

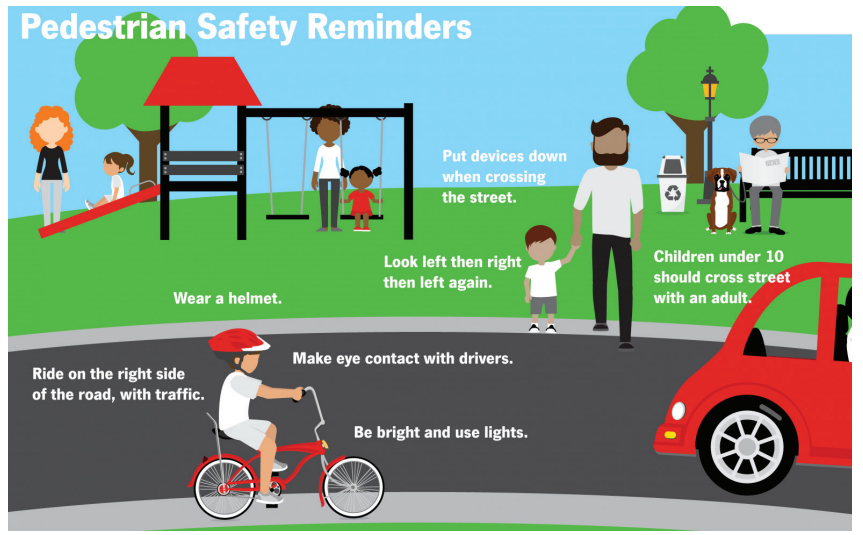
Walking is a fundamental means of transportation, especially for children. The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians is committed to ensuring the safety of young pedestrians through education and awareness. In their recent initiative, they highlight key safety tips for children to follow while walking.

### A Kid's Guide to Safe Walking:

Walking is not only fun but also a healthy way to get around. However, it's crucial to stay safe while walking to prevent accidents or injuries. Here are some important safety tips for children to remember:

#### Safety tips for crossing the street:

- Stop at the curb or the edge of the road if there is no curb.
- Look left, then right, then left again for moving cars before stepping into the street.
- Wait for cars to pass before crossing.
- Be cautious of parked cars and ensure there is no driver inside.
- Walk—do not run—across the road and continue looking for cars.

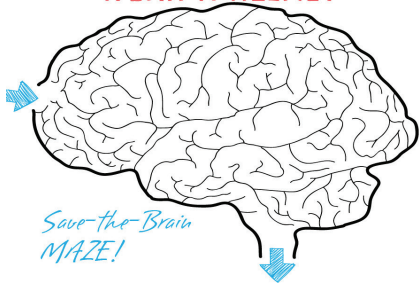


#### Things to remember when walking:

- Always walk on the sidewalk when available.
- If there's no sidewalk, walk facing traffic.
- Wear brightly colored clothing during the day and reflective material at night to stay visible to drivers.
- Avoid darting out in front of parked cars.

The Grand Traverse Band emphasizes the importance of following these safety guidelines to protect children while walking and ensure their well-being.

## BIKE SAFE! WEAR A HELMET



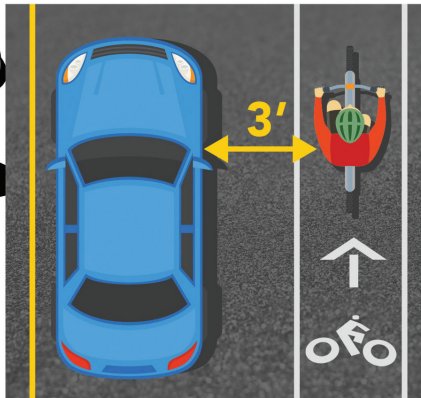
### 3-STEP HELMET FIT TEST:



1. Look up – You should see the bottom rim of the helmet.
2. Straps form a "V" under your ears when buckled – snug but comfortable.
3. Open your mouth as wide as you can – helmet will hug your head.

## DRIVE SAFE! SHARE THE ROAD

- Be extra cautious when driving near bicyclists.
- Come to a complete stop and look in both directions before turning right on red.
- Keep at least a 3 foot barrier between you and the cyclists.



## Walk, Bike, Drive Safe: A Collective Responsibility

Safety on the roads is a shared responsibility among pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists. The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians advocates for safe practices for all road users through their campaign, "Walk, Bike, Drive Safe."

### Walk, Bike, Drive Safe:

This initiative aims to promote safe behaviors and adherence to traffic laws among pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers. Here are some key points highlighted by the campaign:

#### State Laws:

Guidelines for pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers to follow traffic regulations and ensure mutual respect on the road.

#### Safety tips:

Tips for walking, biking, and driving safely, including obeying traffic signals, yielding to others, and being aware of surroundings.

#### Road infrastructure:

Information about features such as Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs), bike lanes, and shared lane markings, emphasizing their role in enhancing road safety.

By raising awareness and promoting responsible behavior, the Grand Traverse Band aims to create safer streets for everyone in the community.

## Hands-Free Driving: Upholding Safety on Michigan Roads

In an effort to enhance road safety, the state of Michigan has implemented a hands-free driving law to prevent distracted driving. The law, which came into effect on June 30, 2023, prohibits drivers from manually using cell phones or other electronic devices while operating a vehicle.

### Hands-Free Driving Law:

#### Under the new law, drivers are prohibited from:

Holding or supporting a phone or device with any part of their hands, arms, or shoulders.

Engaging in activities such as making or answering calls, texting, browsing the internet, or using social media while driving.

Operating a vehicle in a distracted manner that compromises safety.

Penalties for violating the law include fines and community service, with escalated consequences for repeat offenses. Additionally, fines are doubled if a traffic crash occurs due to

VISUAL	MANUAL	COGNITIVE
<p>Keep your eyes on the road.</p> <p>Pull over to read directions.</p> <p>Put your phone in "Do Not Disturb" mode.</p>	<p>Keep your phone out of reach.</p> <p>Make all adjustments before driving.</p> <p>Don't reach for items while driving.</p>	<p>Avoid phone calls, even hands-free.</p> <p>Stay focused on the road.</p> <p>Keep your emotions in check.</p>

distracted driving.

The law underscores the importance of prioritizing safety on the road and encourages drivers to adopt hands-free technology to minimize distractions while driving. By adhering to these regulations, motorists can contribute to safer roadways for all.



# FIRE & RESCUE



## Protecting Community Health: Medical Identity Theft & Medicare Fraud

**What is Medical Identity Theft?** Medical identity theft is when someone steals or uses your personal information (*such as your name, Social Security number, or Medicare number*) to submit fraudulent claims to Medicare and other health insurers without your authorization.

Medical identity theft can disrupt your medical care. In extreme circumstances, it could be life-threatening if the wrong information ends up in your medical record.

### Check Your Medical Bills, Medicare Summary Notices, Explanations of Benefits and Credit Reports:

- Were you charged for any medical services or equipment that you didn't get?
- Do the dates of service, charges, or provider names look unfamiliar?
- Were you billed for the same thing twice?
- Guard your Medicare and Social Security numbers. Threat them like you would your credit cards.
- If it's free, they don't need your number! Be suspicious of anyone who offers you free medical equipment or services and then requests your Medicare number.

On average, health plans are spending a total of **52 cents per year, per member** to fight fraud

The special investigation units within the plans have an average of **one** fraud investigator for every **192,000** plan members

Over the past two years, on average, fraud fighting expenses have decreased by **10%** while actual fraud instances have soared

### Report Health Care Providers of Medical Equipment Suppliers that Bill Medicare for:

- Services and/or products you didn't get.
- More services or products than you need (*such as diabetic test strips or medications*).
- Home health services for patients who are not confined to their home.
- Medication refills you never received.
- Medical equipment or services for patients who don't meet Medicare's qualifications.
- Adult daycare as psychotherapy treatment.
- Hospice services for patients who are not terminally ill and have not agreed to only receive palliative care.

### Questionable Charges?

If you spot unusual or questionable charges, contact your health care provider. It may just be a mistake.

If your issue is not resolved by your provider, report the questionable charges to Medicare at 1-800-MEDICARE or contact your local Senior Medicare Patrol for assistance:

- 1-877-808-2468 or [www.SMPResource.org](http://www.SMPResource.org)

## Staying Safe During Michigan Thunderstorms

**Your chance of being struck by lightning greatly increases when remaining outdoors during a thunderstorm.**

Some of the activities people were doing when they were recently struck by lightning include:

- Golfing
- Boating
- Running
- Grilling
- Walking
- Construction
- Riding
- Gardening
- Swimming

Lightning can strike from up to 10 miles away.

When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors!

See a Flash, Dash Inside!

weather.gov

Thunderstorms are a common occurrence in Michigan, and with them comes the threat of lightning strikes. Here's how to stay safe when thunder rumbles in the Great Lakes State:

### Understanding Alerts:

- **Thunderstorm Watch:** This alert means that conditions are favorable for thunderstorms to develop in your area. It's a cue to stay vigilant and prepared.
- **Thunderstorm Warning:** When this alert is issued, it means that a thunderstorm is imminent or already occurring in your vicinity. Take immediate action to seek shelter and protect yourself.

### Outdoor Safety Tips:

- Michigan's unpredictable weather means that thunderstorms can develop rapidly. Keep an eye on the sky for signs of darkening clouds, flashes of lightning, or increasing winds.
- Seek shelter in a sturdy building or car with closed windows if thunder is heard or lightning is seen. Avoid seeking refuge in sheds, picnic areas, or bleachers, as they offer little protection.
- If you're caught outdoors with no shelter available, steer clear of trees and bodies of water, which are prime targets for lightning strikes. Instead, find an open area away from metal objects and crouch down, minimizing your contact with the ground.
- Remember to maintain a safe distance from others, approximately 15 feet apart, to reduce the risk of multiple injuries.
- Wait at least 30 minutes after the last observed lightning strike or thunder before venturing back outside for activities.

### Indoor Safety Tips:

- When thunderstorms strike, it's safest to stay indoors. Avoid water-related activities like showering, washing dishes, or doing laundry, as water conducts electricity.
- Refrain from using electrical equipment such as computers and appliances during a storm to prevent potential damage from power surges.
- Stay away from windows, doors, and porches, which can pose risks during lightning strikes.

### If Someone Is Struck by Lightning:

- In the event of a lightning strike, call 9-1-1 immediately for emergency assistance.
- Remember, individuals struck by lightning do not retain an electrical charge, so it is safe to provide aid to them.

By adhering to these safety measures, residents of Michigan can better protect themselves and their loved ones from the dangers posed by thunderstorms. Stay informed, stay prepared, and stay safe during Michigan's stormy seasons!

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**Government Operations**

**AFS Victims Shelter Coordinator (FT)**

Associate's Degree in Social Work, Sociology, Psychology, Family Studies, or related field, or a min. of (3) years' direct management experience in an emergency shelter, group home, crisis intervention, or homeless shelter services required. A min. of (2) yrs experience as a professional/paraprofessional experience in prevention and the provision of services to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, dating violence & victims of crime required. A min. of (1) yr experience of case management required. Must have a valid unrestricted Driver's License & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$47,987/yr 8.8.23- until filled

**Associate Tribal Judge (PT)**

A member of GTB who has attained the age of (18) and/or is an attorney licensed to practice before the courts of a state in the United States. Has not been convicted, within (10) years of such appointment, of any felony by a court of competent jurisdiction. (5) years of experience in legal practice. Must have a valid unrestricted driver license and be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -Salary 5.02.23- until filled

**Behavioral Health Case Manager/Program Director CSBH (FT)**

Bachelor's degree. A min. of 2yrs. experience substance abuse treatment, recovery, & mental health services required. A min. of 1yr experience facilitating education or support groups. A min. of 2yrs. experience in electronic records management required. Must have a valid unrestricted driver license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$DOE- until filled

**Behavioral Health Clinical Coordinator/Program Director (FT)**

Associate degree in Social Work, Psychology, Criminal Justice, or related human services field required. A min. 3yrs experience in office administration required. A min. 2yrs experience in electronic records management required. A min. 1yr experience substance abuse treatment, recovery, and mental health services required. Must have a valid unrestricted driver license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$47,987/yr - until filled

**(2) Behavioral Health Prevention Activities Coordinator/Program Director Native Connections (FT)**

Associate degree. A min. of 2yrs experience as a formal mentor, coach, or other youth or young adult leadership role required. A min. 1yr experience providing substance abuse and/

or suicide prevention required. Must have a valid unrestricted driver license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$DOE- until filled

**BHS Supervisor (FT)**

A Master's Degree in Psychology, Counseling, Social Work, Psychiatric Nursing, or related field required. State of Michigan full Licensure required. A min. of 4 yrs. experience providing substance abuse and/or mental health counseling of high risk populations including mental health, substance abuse and addictive disorders, and/or prevention/community education services required. A min of 3 yrs. experience in a supervisory position required. Certified Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CAADC), or ability to obtain within (1) yr. Must have a valid unrestricted driver license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$69,450/yr - until filled

**(3) Behavioral Health Therapist (FT)**

Master's Degree in Psychology, Counseling, Social Work, Psychiatric Nursing, or related field required. State of Michigan full Licensure required. A min. of (2) yrs. experience providing substance abuse a & or mental health counseling of high-risk populations including mental health, substance abuse & addictive disorders, and/or prevention/community education services required. Certified Advanced Alcohol & Drug Counselor, or ability to obtain within (1) yr. Must have a valid unrestricted driver license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$63,318/yr 6.25.21- until filled

**Chief Financial Officer (FT)**

Bachelor's Degree in Accounting or Finance. Must demonstrate at least 3yrs experience in leading a team in an accounting related field. Must have at least 3yrs of governmental accounting. Must have a valid unrestricted driver license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$DOE - until filled

**Chief Tribal Judge (FT)**

Member of GTB who has attained the age of (18) & or is an attorney licensed to practice before the courts of a state in the United States. (5) yrs. of experience in legal practice. Has not been convicted, within (10) yrs. of such appointment, of any felony by a court of competent jurisdiction. Must have a valid unrestricted driver license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -Salary 5.02.23- until filled

**Dental Assistant (FT)**

Associates Degree in Applied Science in Dental Assisting Certified Dental Assistant-CDA or Registered Dental-RDA Assistant with expanded duties. Certification in Radiology and CPR. -\$19.52/hr 7.25.23 - until filled

**Dental Hygienist (FT)**

Associates Degree in Dental Hygiene and Licensure

in State of Michigan.(24) hrs of biennial continuing education including four hours' HIV-AIDS & (3) hrs CPR training. Competence in operation of standard dental equipment: cavitron, prophjet, X-ray, radiograph processor, panelipse, dental chair & unit, sterilizers, hand scalers, and currettes. At least (1) yr of experience as a full time dental hygienist preferred. -\$36.62/hr - until filled

**EHS Education & Family Services Coordinator (FT)**

Must have a BA in Human Services or Social Work field. Must have experience in a supervisory position, with strong team leadership skills. One to three years experience in working in an Early Head Start and/or Head Start program preferred. Previous experience in the field, with skills in classroom management, and curriculum planning. Must obtain CPR/ First Aid certification. -\$43,750/yr 9.21.22- until filled

**EHS/HS Bus & Classroom Aide (PT)**

Must have High School diploma or GED. Must be able to effectively communicate with children & adults in an appropriate manner. Must be willing to obtain a CPR/First Aid certification. Ability to observe & evaluate children in a non-biased manner. Must be willing to & as well as obtain a CDA within first (2) yrs. of hire. -\$16.17/hr - until filled

**EHS/HS Health & Disabilities Coordinator (FT)**

Bachelor's Degree with strong emphasis in Health, Social Services, Psychology or Early Childhood Education. 1-3 yrs. experience preferred. Advanced knowledge of applicable law, regulations, rules & procedures of the Head Start/Early Head Start program. Must maintain current CPR/ First Aid Certification -\$43,750/yr 9.21.22- until filled

**(2) EHS/HS Home Visitor (FT)**

An Associates Degree in Early Childhood Education required. A Bachelor's Degree & (1) yr of direct experience preferred. (3) yrs. of directly related experience. -\$19.52/hr 9.01.22- until filled

**Facilities Maintenance I (FT)**

High School diploma or GED Must have at least three to (5) yrs experience in commercial building maintenance. Must have carpentry, plumbing & electrical repair experience. Must have knowledge of safety procedures & safety equipment recommended for use during the course of duty. Must pass test with 85% or better, practical test 100%. -\$17.29/hr - until filled

**Facilities Utility Worker 1st Shift (TEMP)**

High school diploma or G.E.D. preferred. Experience in commercial building maintenance preferred. Carpentry, plumbing & electrical repair experience preferred. Knowledge of safety

procedures & safety equipment recommended for use during the course of duty. Valid, unrestricted driver's license is preferred. -\$14.22/hr - until filled

**Facilities Utility Worker 2nd Shift (FT)**

High school diploma or G.E.D. preferred. Knowledge of safety procedures and safety equipment recommended for use during the course of duty. Must have good work habits, i.e., punctuality, & low absenteeism. A valid Michigan driver's license is preferred. Employee may not drive any Tribally owned vehicles without being properly insured by the Tribe. -\$14.22/hr - until filled

**Grant Administrator (FT)**

High School Diploma or GED required. A min. of (3) yrs. experience in office administration required. A min. of (2) yrs. experience in electronic records management required. A min. of (1) yr. experience in grant writing. Must have a valid unrestricted driver license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$21.75/hr 8.17.23- until filled

**GSRP Head Start Teacher (FT)**

Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education with a Z.A./Z.S. endorsement required. Previous experience preferred with skills in classroom management & curriculum planning. Must maintain current CPR/First Aid certification. Must be proficient in the use of computers & programs such as word processing. Able to develop & implement short and long term educational goals. Good observational skills & ability to summarize observed learning/ social behaviors in children. -\$52,633/yr 7.27.23- until filled

**Head Start Assistant Teacher (FT)**

High School diploma or GED. Previous experience in the repair and maintenance of housing units. Must have a valid unrestricted driver license and be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$16.17/hr - until filled

**Head Start Teacher (FT)**

Associates Degree, with a Child Development Certification, with emphasis in early childhood development, Bachelor's Degree preferred. Previous experience preferred with skills in classroom management & curriculum planning. Must maintain current CPR/First Aid certification. Must be proficient in the use of computers & programs such as word processing. Able to develop & implement short & long term educational goals. Good observational skills & ability to summarize observed learning/ social behaviors in children. -\$19.52/hr - until filled

**(2) Housing Maintenance I (FT)**

Must have High School diploma or GED. Must be able to effectively communicate with children & adults in an

appropriate manner. Must be willing to obtain a CPR/First Aid certification. Ability to observe and evaluate children in a non-biased manner. Must be willing to & as well as obtain a CDA within 1st 2yrs of hire. -\$16.17/hr - until filled

**HS Bus & Classroom Aide (PT)**

Must have High School diploma or GED. Must be able to effectively communicate with children & adults in an appropriate manner. Must be willing to obtain a CPR/First Aid certification. Ability to observe and evaluate children in a non-biased manner. Must be willing to & as well as obtain a CDA within 1st 2yrs of hire. -\$16.17/hr - until filled

**Human Resource Associate (FT)**

High School Diploma or GED (2) yrs of HR experience with (1) yr of office experience required. Microsoft Office Experience. Must have a valid unrestricted driver license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$18.55/hr - 5.1.24

**Maintenance Supervisor (FT)**

High School Diploma or GED. Must have three to (5) yrs of progressive supervisory experience in a similar field. Must have residential construction trade or overall residential maintenance knowledge of at least (5) yrs. Must have a valid Michigan Driver's License & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$27.76/hr - 5.1.24

**Natural Resources Department Manager (FT)**

Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Sciences, Business Administration, Public Administration, or in a related field required. Two years of experience in a Natural Resources position and two years of supervisory experience. -\$71,500/yr - 4.5.24

**On-Call Receptionist (ON-CALL)**

Must have High School Diploma or GED equivalent. Prefer (1) yr experience in office management. Must have basic math skills & written skills. -\$14.22/hr - until filled

**On-Call Receptionist - Charlevoix (ON-CALL)**

Must have High School Diploma or GED equivalent. Prefer (1) yr experience in office management. Must have basic math skills & written skills. -\$14.22/hr - until filled

**Police Officer COPS (FT)**

Must be at least 21 Years of Age at the time of hire. High School diploma required, Associates Degree preferred in law enforcement, criminal justice, corrections or related field preferred. 1yr prior experience working in a law enforcement setting preferred. Must be certified or certifiable by Michigan Commission on

Law Enforcement Standards Certification (MCOLES) required. Must obtain and maintain a BIA (Special Law Enforcement Commission) Must become LEIN certified. Must complete Field Training Officer (FTO) Program for continuation of employment. Must be thoroughly familiar with all applicable policies and procedures, Federal Regulations, GTB Tribal Police Department Policies and Procedures, Tribal and State Criminal Codes, Children's Code, Tribal Constitution, Michigan Motor Vehicle, GTB Personnel Policy, Police Department Organic Resolution and Code, and all other applicable rules, regulations & statutes. Must have a valid driver license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$27.24/hr - until filled

**Registered Nurse - Diabetes Case Manager (FT)**

Bachelor's Degree in the Registered Nurse Program, with a current State of Michigan RN License. (3) - (5) yrs of nursing experience in a family clinic setting preferred. Certified Diabetes Care and Education Specialist (CDCES) preferred or willingness to work toward. Must have current BLS Certification. Must have a valid unrestricted driver license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. -\$69,450/yr - until filled

**Student Support Advisor - Benzie/Manistee (FT)**

Associates Degree is required in social work, education, counseling, or related field\* Must have a valid unrestricted Driver's license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. Must have a valid Chauffeur Driver's License. A min.of (3) yrs. experience working with Native American youths. Must maintain current CPR/ First Aid certification. -\$19.52/hr 10.16.23- until filled

**Student Support Advisor - Charlevoix/Antrim (FT)**

Associates Degree is required in social work, education, counseling, or related field\* Must have a valid unrestricted Driver's license & be insurable by the GTB insurance carrier. Must have a valid Chauffeur Driver's License. A min.of (3) yrs. experience working with Native American youths. Must maintain current CPR/ First Aid certification. -\$19.52/hr 10.25.22- until filled

**Utility Worker 2nd Shift (FT)**

High school diploma or GED is preferred. Knowledge of safety procedures and safety equipment recommended for use during the course of duty. Must have good work habits, i.e., punctuality, & low absenteeism. A valid Michigan driver's license is preferred. Employee may not drive any Tribally owned vehicles without being properly insured by the Tribe. -\$14.22/hr 11.14.23- until filled

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Victims Shelter Assistant (FT) Associates Degree in Social Work or a related field (Bachelor's Degree preferred). (1)yr of case management experience. Successful work or volunteer experience in a human service setting preferred. (1)yr or more direct service experience in an emergency shelter or homeless services. 1-2 yrs of professional/paraprofessional experience in prevention and the provision of service to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, dating violence & other forms of crime. Professional Ethical Standards of the position must be adhered to. Personal knowledge & support of the Anishinaabek culture in the provision of services. -\$21.75/hr - until filled

appointments please send a letter of interest and list any marijuana regulatory experience. Send your letter of interest for the Tribal Council appointments to: Tribal Council GTB of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians 2605 NW Bayshore Drive Peshawbestown, MI 49682 or gtb.cra@gtb-nsn.gov

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140 Legal Notice

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150 Bereavement

Nancy Jean Chippewa GTB Tribal Elder Traverse City, MI 11/30/1952 – 3/31/2024 Respectfully Acknowledging Our Loss

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120 Announcements

Marijuana Regulatory Commission (3) appointment to be filled by the Tribal Council. The Commission shall have (3) members consisting on at least (2) tribal members and a non-member provided that the nonmember offers unique skills, experience to the Commission The appointment terms are open-ended until the Commission makes regulations on the terms of appointment under § 1015(a) (1). For consideration for the

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41st Annual GTB Higher Education Program Education Banquet Saturday, June 1, 2024

For students receiving their Higher Education degrees upon completion of Summer 2023, Fall 2023, or Spring 2024 semesters, 2024 High School Graduates & students receiving AVT certifications and licensure from June 1, 2023 through June 1, 2024.



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Presents

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Join the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians for the 44th Annual Federal Recognition Day Mini Traditional PowWow! Explore a variety of authentic Anishinaabek crafts, artwork, and traditional foods at our market day. Engage with members of our community and learn about our rich history and traditions. This family-friendly event is open to all, with free admission. Join us for a day of celebration, culture, and community spirit!

Market Opening Ceremony at 11:00 a.m. • Grand Entry 12:00pm • Government Department Information Tables Will Be Available On-Site  
**DRUG, ALCOHOL, & DOG FREE EVENT**



### **Master of Ceremony:**

Paul Raphael

### **Sound:**

Mark Wilson

### **Host Drum:**

Bear Creek

### **Co-Host Drum:**

Dusty Bear

### **Arena Director:**

Tom Shomin

### **Head Veteran:**

Post 120

### **Head Staff:**

Jared Broome

Tiana Schocko

### **Jr. Head Staff:**

Brandon Marshall Jr.

Liliana McClellan-Shinos

## **SPECIALS**

### **Youth Jingle Special**

Tiana Schocko

1st Place \$300

2nd Place \$200

3rd Place \$100

### **Mother Sidestep Special**

No Regalia Necessary to Enter

1st Place \$300

2nd Place \$200

3rd Place \$100

### **Boys Grass Special**

Jared Broome

1st Place \$300

2nd Place \$200

3rd Place \$100

### **Spot Dances**

### **VOLUNTEERS WANTED!**

Scan the QR Code to Register:



[https://bit.ly/GTB\\_FRD\\_VOL24](https://bit.ly/GTB_FRD_VOL24)

For All Volunteer Inquires Please Email:

[Gtbgovt.news@gtb-nsn.gov](mailto:Gtbgovt.news@gtb-nsn.gov)

## **HONORARIUM**

Show-Up Drum Split  
\$2,000

Dancer Honorarium  
\$20

## **VENDORS**

All Vendors Welcomed

Food Spaces are Limited, No Fee,  
Registration Form in QR Code & Link  
Deadline April 19<sup>th</sup>



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Everyone Welcome!  
Free Admission

FREE Gift for  
GTB Tribal Members

All Youth Must be  
Accompanied by an Adult

No Drugs, Alcohol, Firearms,  
Weapons, or Dogs



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All Children Must be Accompanied by An Adult. Unsupervised Children Will Be Reported to the Proper Authorities. GTB is Not Responsible for Any Injury, Lost, or Damaged Items Event Subject to Change Without Notice



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