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Boozhoo and welcome to the Miisaninawiind weekly newsletter!

The Miisaniinawind brings you important news, announcements and updates, designed specifically for the Red Cliff community. But that's not all. The weekly eNewsletter will also provide news about neighboring tribes, communities and broader issues across Indian Country that matter to you.

If you have photos, news or information you'd like to share, please email submissions to [communications@redcliff-nsn.gov](mailto:communications@redcliff-nsn.gov).

Check our Facebook page [HERE](#) and our website [HERE](#). We are working on a new website and can't wait to share it with you!

Want to receive the newsletter each week? Sign up [HERE](#).

[Click HERE to view this email as a webpage instead.](#)

## Red Cliff News & Updates

### COVID-19 Community Updates

Various Tribal programs, services, and events have been canceled or temporarily suspended in our efforts to limit the spread of COVID-19.

An up-to-date list can be found on the Tribal Facebook page, and is updated continuously throughout each day.

You can also find a series of video updates from the Red Cliff Health Division on the Tribal Facebook page.

# **Red Cliff Stay at Home Resolution Remains in Effect Through May 26**

## ***Letter From Chairman Peterson and Tribal Council***

May 14, 2020

Dear Red Cliff Community,

As many of you may have already heard, yesterday (May 13) the Wisconsin Supreme Court struck down Governor Evers' Stay at Home Emergency Order effective immediately. This will allow all businesses and activities within the state covered under the state's emergency order to now open and proceed as they would like. This includes the operations of both bars and restaurants.

While we support economic prosperity for all during normal times, the Red Cliff Tribal Council does not consider these to be normal times with the coronavirus pandemic still putting lives at risk across the country. In following the advice of our medical professionals, we issued our own Tribal Stay at Home resolution and also supported the State of Wisconsin's order. In anticipation of the Wisconsin Supreme Court's potential ruling against the Governor's Emergency Order, the Red Cliff Tribal Council met immediately after the filing of the lawsuit and made the decision that regardless of the court's ruling, our Tribal Stay at Home resolution would stand as motioned. Thus, the Red Cliff Stay at Home resolution is still valid through May 26, 2020.

The safety and wellbeing of our community members, especially the most vulnerable, is of the utmost priority to the Tribal Council and we will continue to listen to the advice and guidance of our medical professionals led by Dr. Anne and Dr. Khou along with our Emergency Response Team moving forward. This includes potentially extending our Tribal order longer if need be and taking further actions to keep our people safe.

We strongly urge that everybody continue to abide by recommended medical safety precautions, many of which are updated regularly via our Tribal social media and direct communication avenues. We must remain vigilant and do all we can in our efforts to keep ourselves and families safe against the COVID-19 virus.

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Rick Peterson and Red Cliff Tribal Council

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# *Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa*

## *General Election*

*Will be held on Tuesday July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020*

*If you would like to declare your candidacy for*

*Member At-large*

*Please submit your intentions in writing no later than*

*6:00 p.m. on June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020*

*To the Red Cliff Tribal Council Secretary, Laura J. Gordon*



*Polls will be open 8am to 8pm*

*\*\*Place will be Determined\*\**

*For more information please contact*

*Laura J. Gordon @ [secretary@redcliff-nsn.gov](mailto:secretary@redcliff-nsn.gov)*

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## **Council Meeting May 19**

The Red Cliff Tribal Council will meet on May 19 at the Red Cliff Community Health Center.

The Regular Session will begin at 4:30 PM.

Click [HERE](#) for the meeting agenda.

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**Propane Tank For Sale - Requesting Bids**



The Red Cliff Tribal Property and Procurement Department is seeking sealed bids for a 940-gallon propane tank that is located at the "new" pow-wow grounds. The propane tank will be sold as is and is required to be removed by the winning bidder within 30 days of purchase.

If you are interested, please submit your bid to:

Red Cliff Tribal Administration  
Attn: Property & Procurement Dept.  
88455 Pike Road  
Bayfield, WI 54814

Deadline: May 29, 2020 at 4:00 PM



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## Transfer Station Reminder

The Red Cliff Recycling & Transfer Station is OPEN on Tuesdays and Saturdays 8am - 6pm.

Spring Cleanup is still postponed, but the Recycling & Transfer Station will continue to operate.

Here are details on the transfer station along with information on how to properly dispose of various waste.



## Open-Top Dumpster

Please ask the Transfer Station Attendant about what materials are acceptable for disposal in the open-top dumpster.

Prices for the open-top dumpster are as follows:

- Full Pick-up Load -- \$40
- Half Pick-up Load -- \$20
- Car Trunk Load -- \$5

The following items can **NOT** go into the open-top dumpster:

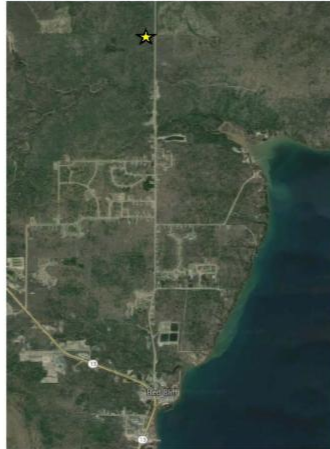
- Appliances
- TVs & Computer Equipment
- Waste Oil
- Car Batteries
- Yard Waste
- Fluorescent Bulbs
- Medical Waste
- Recyclable Materials
- Tires
- Construction Debris
- Hazardous Materials

## Red Cliff Recycling & Transfer Station

91465 Blueberry Road  
Bayfield, WI  
715.779.0171

Environmental Department  
715.779.3650

<http://redcliff-nsn.gov/divisions/TNRD/TS.htm>



## Red Cliff Recycling & Transfer Station



### Hours of Operation

Tuesdays and Saturdays

8:00am to 6:00pm

715.779.0171

## Residential/Household Waste Disposal

All household residential waste **MUST** be in a green bag or clear plastic bag. Waste brought in black or other unapproved bags will not be accepted.

Green bags and tags are available for purchase at the Tribal Administration Building, Buffalo Bay Gas Station, Housing Authority, and Peterson's Food.

- Blue Tags are \$3/each  
1 tag is good for:  
- 1 large bag (33 gallons)  
OR  
- 3 small bags (13 gallons)
- Red Tags are \$1/each  
1 tag is good for:  
- 1 small bag (13 gallons)

Residential waste going into the compactor must not include recyclable materials, aerosol cans, batteries, or hazardous materials.

Customers will be asked to remove any inappropriate materials from the compactor, if they are found to be in violation.

Please be mindful of the waste going in to the compactor.

## Free Recycling

Red Cliff encourages the practice of recycling by providing community members recycling free of charge.

The recycling dumpsters are single-stream, which means that all recyclable materials come in a single container. **NO PLASTIC BAGS IN RECYCLING BINS. ALL BAGS MUST BE RIPPED OPEN AND DUMPED OUT.**

Acceptable recyclable material includes:

- Cardboard  
**Must be dry and flattened.**
- Paper/ Newspaper  
**No shredded paper.**
- Plastics (#1 - #7)
- Glass and Jars (rinsed and lid removed)
- Bimetal cans (soup cans, etc.)
- Aluminum (please flatten)  
**Please separate cans.**
- We also accept scrap metal free of charge.

**Please separate from the rest of the recyclables.**

Please **CLEAN** recyclables. Help us keep the Transfer Station and the surrounding environment clear of waste.

## Special Waste Disposal

The Transfer Station provides waste disposal of a variety of special items for a fee.

- Appliances -- \$5/each
- Freon Appliances -- \$25/each
- Copier/Floor Printer -- \$25/each
- Televisions -- \$10/each
- E-Waste -- \$10/Component  
(computer monitors, DVD/VHS player, CPUS and laptops)
- Tires  
- Tubes/ Liners Bundled -- \$1/each  
- Light Trucks & Cars -- \$2.50/each  
- Medium Trucks -- \$3.50/each
- Car Batteries & Auto Parts -- FREE
- Residential Pesticides -- \$4/pound
- Fluorescent Bulbs  
- Less than 4 feet -- \$1/each  
- Greater than 4 feet -- \$2/each

Prices are subject to change without notice.

The Red Cliff Tribal Council is seeking three individuals interested in serving on the Law Enforcement Commission.

1 Commissioner  
1 Recording Secretary  
1 Alternate

For further information contact Tribal Administration at 715-779-3700.

If you are interested in serving on this committee, please pick up an application at the front desk of the administration building.

Please return your application to the receptionist at the administration building.

The deadline is May 29, 2020 at noon.

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## Proposed Revision to Code of Law

The Red Cliff Legal Department and the Red Cliff Planning Department have proposed revisions to Chapter 37 of the Red Cliff Code of Laws.

Click [HERE](#) to view the official notice.

You can view the revised Chapter 37 [HERE](#).

Public comment on this proposal is encouraged. Please drop your comments at the Tribal Administration Building, or forward them directly to the Tribal Council. This proposal will be voted upon on June 1, 2020 at the regular meeting of the Red Cliff Tribal Council. If the Council enacts this code addition, the code shall become effective upon enactment.

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## Proposed Revision to Code of Law

The Red Cliff Tribal Historic Preservation Office has proposed revisions to Chapter 20 of Red Cliff Code of Laws.

Click [HERE](#) to view the official notice and proposed changes.

Public comment on this proposal is encouraged. Please drop your comments at the Tribal Administration Building, or forward them directly to the Tribal Council. This proposal will be voted upon on June 1, 2020 at the regular meeting of the Red Cliff Tribal Council. If the Council enacts this code, the code shall become effective upon enactment.

## Health & Wellness

### Help Raise Mental Health Awareness

What can you do to help raise mental health awareness? You can help spread the word by using the hashtag [#IntroMentalHealth](#) on your social media posts.



Inspire others to raise awareness and take part in sharing information, resources and support for mental health conditions.

You can also take the stigma free pledge, to help change the way the world sees mental health.

Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

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## Online Parents Support Groups and Resources



*Parenting in a Pandemic*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/coronavirusparents>

*Quarantine School*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/285400302445077/>

*Group for people giving birth or their partner will give birth during pandemic*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/COVID19Babies/>

*Healthcare workers support group*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1068738500158380/>

*Surviving Single Parenthood*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/SingleParents01/>

*Parenting with Special Needs*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1855573214536750/>

### Non-Facebook links

Here is a link to free recorded webinar to help parents and others to help children cope during COVID19:

<https://macmh.org/publications/covid-19-resources/#1>

Free podcast from National Public Radio called NPR Life Kit-

Parenting: <https://www.npr.org/tags/797069332/life-kit-parenting>

Subscribe to “A Fine Parent” and they also offer Covid19: <https://afineparent.com/coronavirus-support-for-parents>

Subscribe to “A mother far from home” and has free great resources at:

<https://amotherfarfromhome.com/>

And the “Big Life Journal” is another free resource and podcast to at:

<https://biglifejournal.com/>

Additional Parent resources below:

<https://www.nationalparenthelpline.org/find-support>

The Red Cliff Behavioral Health Department is currently taking new referrals and offering tele-visits for our Coordinated Services Team (CST), Substance Abuse,



The poster for Mental Health Awareness Month 2020 features a woman in profile, looking thoughtful with her hand to her chin. The background is a soft-focus image of people. The text is overlaid on the image in various colors and fonts.

**MAY**  
**MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH 2020**

**WEDNESDAY'S**  
**MAY 13-27**  
**@6PM**

**3-PART SERIES**  
I AM NOT A SUPER MOM  
I AM NOT YOUR SUPER WOMAN  
I AM NOT YOUR SUPER WOMAN  
**PANEL TALK BACK**

MHA Mental Health America  
Keytalife

#MENTALHEALTHAWARENESSMONTH

## Benefits of Meditation for Mental Health

May is designated as Mental Health Awareness Month! This is important because, at one time or another, we all experience periods of stress and may have some of the side effects of that such as depression or anxiety. It is more common than most people think. It is always good to learn about things we can do to help ourselves and others through these experiences. One tactic that has been effective for many people is meditation. It is an accessible, low cost activity that can really help us deal with stress and it doesn't require any special equipment or membership (although you can join a group or class if you like).

According to an article by Dr. Matthew Thorpe, MD, most people try meditation for stress reduction. In a study of 3500 people, meditation proved effective at reducing stress and, as an added benefit, reduced the inflammation-producing chemicals called cytokines that are one of



the harmful, and painful, effects of a stress hormone called cortisol. Other studies have shown that meditation helps control anxiety and depression, promotes an improved self-image and positive outlook, enhances self-awareness and improves attention span. It has also been shown to improve recovery from addictions by increasing self-control and awareness of triggers for relapse.

The peaceful feeling that comes from meditating regularly, improves sleep patterns, helps control pain, decreases blood pressure and can even make people feel more kind towards others.

All of these benefits certainly make it worthwhile to give meditation a try, and you can meditate anywhere! You can do it in as little as 10 minutes! All you need is to get comfortable in a quiet space. Here is how to start a basic meditation:

- Wear whatever you are comfortable in. If you are wearing a tie, belt or tight shoes you may want to remove or loosen them for greater comfort.
- Sit indoors or outdoors on anything that is comfortable. Sit with your back straight, neck relaxed and head tilted slightly forward. Rest your hands in your lap.
- You can start by meditating for 10 minutes, or as long as you are comfortable with. If 10 minutes seems too long a time to be still and quiet, try 5 minutes and work your way up. Meditating often is more important than how long each session is.
- Be clear on what you hope to get out of meditation – being happier, more relaxed, more focused. This will help create the right state of mind and help you maintain the commitment to regularly take this time for yourself.
- Notice your body – feel your weight on the chair, your feet and hands. Get comfortable in a position you can sit in for a while.
- Feel your breath. As you inhale, let the air fill your abdomen. As you exhale slowly, feel your body relax and ground.
- Notice when your mind has wandered. Acknowledge your thoughts, then release them and return your attention to your breath.
- Be kind to your wandering mind. Don't judge yourself or obsess over your thoughts – just come back to your breath.
- Close your meditation gently. When you are ready, open your eyes if they have been closed. Notice your surroundings and how you feel.

That is all there is to it! Like many other activities, the more you practice meditation, the better you will get at it. There are many different methods of meditation including mindfulness meditation like the one above, guided imagery meditation, walking meditation and body scan meditation. Feel free to explore these methods and find the one that is best for you!

For more information, check out these websites:

<https://www.headspace.com/meditation/meditation-for-beginners>

<https://www.mindful.org/how-to-meditate/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W19PdsIW7iw>

<https://www.mayoclinic.org/tests-procedures/meditation/in-depth/meditation/art-20045858>

<https://www.ramdass.org/meditation-for-anxiety-and-stress/>

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For other Health Center information or general questions call: 715-779-3707 or  
Email [RCHealthCenter@redcliffhealth.org](mailto:RCHealthCenter@redcliffhealth.org)

Click [HERE](#) to visit the Red Cliff Community Health Center website

**Family & Human Services**

# Food Safety Tips & Recipes

Everyone is working hard right now to keep ourselves, our family, and our communities healthy. Two important practices we can all do to protect against COVID-19 is to maintain physical distancing of 6 feet while on essential trips, such as getting food, and frequent hand washing.

Click [HERE](#) for helpful food safety tips during the COVID-19 pandemic.

You'll also find recipes for a layered black bean dip, black bean soup, turkey chili, and half-veggie burgers!

Extension Ashland & Bayfield Counties



## PARENTS CONNECT Live Online Lunch & Learn

*Parents Connect* is an online series designed to support parents in Ashland and Bayfield Counties.



- ♦ For parents/caregivers of kids ages 3-12
- ♦ Strengths-based learning, discussion, videos, & more
- ♦ Join live video conference via phone/laptop/computer
- ♦ Fridays in May, 1-hour sessions with time for Q & A

**Registration required - Limit 10 per session - Free**  
**To learn more, call 715-373-6104 ext 2**  
**Or [Register Online](#)**

### SPRING 2020 SERIES

FRIDAYS ■ 1—2PM

<b>May 4</b>	Managing Household Stress
<b>May 15</b>	Gain Cooperation, Reduce Power Struggles
<b>May 22</b>	Helping Kids Cope with Strong Emotions
<b>May 29</b>	Building Confidence by Building Competence



Various Family and Human Services offerings have unique guidelines and hours in response to COVID-19.

See the Notices section toward the top of this newsletter for more information. You can also call the Family Human Services Division at 715-779-3706.

## Education

### Phrases and Vocabulary

Here are some basic questions and how to say them in Ojibwe!

Do you know him/her? Gigikenimaa ina?

Do you remember? Gimikwenden ina?

How are you? Aaniin ezhi-ayaayan?

How is it outside (what is the weather like)? Aaniin ezhiwebak agwajjiiing?

How old are you? Aaniin endaso-biboonagiziyan?

What are you called (name)? Aaniin ezhinikaazoyan?

Where are you from? Aandi wenjibaayan?

Where are you going? Aandi ezhaayan?

Click [HERE](#) to for more phrases and vocabulary in the Education Department's May newsletter.

You'll find an important message about self-care, updates from ECC teachers to their kids and students, and fun activities to try at home!

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# Apply Now for the Summer & Fall Semesters

## Summer

### Registration

March 23, 2020-

May 29, 2020

### Fall Registration

March 23, 2020-

August 28, 2020

## Programs & Certificates

BUSINESS

CULINARY ARTS

EARLY CHILDHOOD

HUMAN SERVICES

LEGAL STUDIES

LIBERAL ARTS

NATIVE AMERICAN STUDIES

NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH

SCIENCE

## MAIN CAMPUS

LAC COURTE OREILLES

## OUTREACH LOCATIONS

BAD RIVER

LAC DU FLAMBEAU

RED CLIFF

ST. CROIX

SUMMER CLASSES START JUNE 1, 2020

FALL CLASSES START AUGUST 31, 2020

CALL TO LEARN MORE | 715-634-4790

**lco.edu** f     

## LCOOC To Offer Bachelor Degree Programs

(Hayward, WI) – May 13, 2020– Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe College (LCOOC) has recently been authorized to offer fully accredited bachelor degree programs: Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Bachelor of Science in Human Services. Both will be the first bachelor degree programs being offered at Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe College starting in the Fall of 2020. The Institutional Actions Council (IAC) of the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) provided confirmation of this action through a letter dated May 8, 2020.



“We are now able to provide the opportunity to further your education, while staying in your community. This opens the door to prepare for and begin to develop additional bachelor degree programs,” says Dr. Russell Swagger, President of Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe College.

Limited pilot courses, in both programs, were offered in the Fall and Spring of the 2019-2020 academic year. The College would like to thank the students who successfully completed the pilot courses and had confidence in Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe College.

The course offerings will be available to enroll starting May 18, 2020, for the Fall 2020 Semester.



To learn more about these bachelor degree programs or to enroll, call Jimmy White, Recruitment and Admissions Specialist, at 715-634-4790 ext. 148 or visit the website at <https://www.lco.edu/reg>

#### About Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe College

The Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe College's mission is to provide Anishinaabe communities with post-secondary and continuing education while advancing the language, culture, and history of the Ojibwe.

Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe College (LCOOC) is a non-profit Ojibwe tribal community college. Our focus is to help Native students advance themselves in the world, while studying their own history and language. We are an open-door institution which welcomes anyone who would like to work toward a better tomorrow. LCOOC does not discriminate based upon race and will not deny admission to any Native student regardless of tribal enrollment or affiliation.

Learn more at <http://lco.edu>

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## Indigenous Legacy Scholarship

TC Energy has extended the application period for the TC Energy Scholarship Program to June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020! The Program offers scholarships to students in three categories, including 77 scholarships specifically for Indigenous students who can apply online at [www.tcscholarships.com](http://www.tcscholarships.com):

1. TC Energy Indigenous Legacy Scholarship (\$5,000 each) – awarded to Indigenous (Native American) students pursuing any full-time, post-secondary program at a registered education institute. Our priority is to support students from the Nations we work with.
2. TC Energy Community Leaders Scholarship (\$2,500 each) – awarded to students who demonstrate a strong commitment to their communities through volunteerism, leadership and other activities.
3. TC Energy Trades Scholarship (\$2,500 each) – awarded to students who are studying a skilled trade relevant to our business.

If you have any questions about the Program or the application process please contact [TCScholarships@transcanada.com](mailto:TCScholarships@transcanada.com).

## Are you an Indigenous student pursuing post-secondary education?



**Apply for our Indigenous Legacy Scholarship.**

See if you pre-qualify by answering five quick questions.

**Apply today** ► [TCScholarships.com](https://TCScholarships.com)



## Boys and Girls Club of Gitchigami



# Calling all Club Members ages 10-17



## Sign up for MyFuture.net!

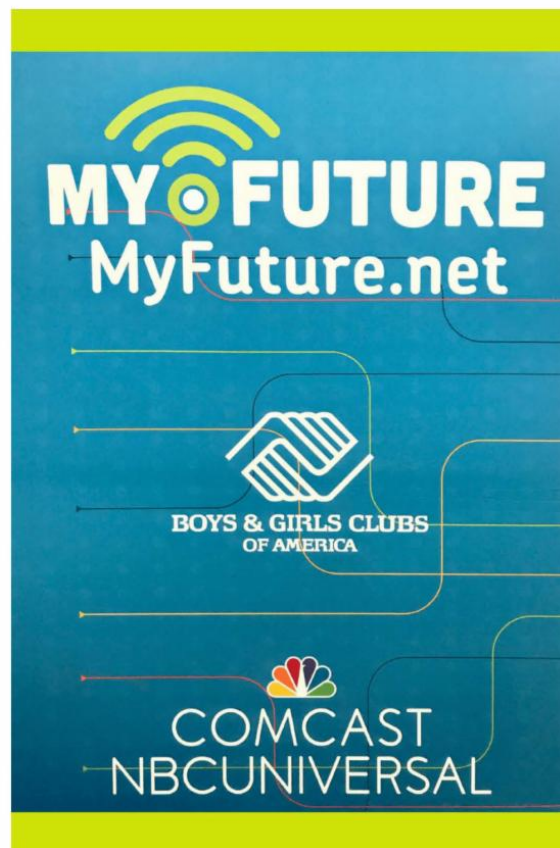
GREAT FUTURES START [HERE](#).



Young people are drawn to spaces where they can engage with their peers, learn new things, express themselves and earn recognition. Nobody does this better than the Boys & Girls Clubs. With MyFuture, Clubs can reach young people online to provide rich opportunities for fun, learning and positive youth development.

### Here's How It Works for Youth:

- MyFuture is a platform designed to engage youth across BGCA's program areas. Youth ages 10 and older take part in 21st century learning activities including STEM, leadership, career exploration and much more.
- Youth may participate in contests to help Clubs win prizes.
- Club members register for accounts, which must be approved by staff. Members can then save their work and access the platform from any computer or mobile device.
- The accounts that youth create and the work they upload require staff approval. This review ensures the safety of youth while they are online.



Complete the fields below with your personal info:

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<input type="text" value="Female"/>	<input type="text" value="WI"/>	<input type="text" value="BAYFIELD"/>
<input type="text" value="Boys &amp; Girls Club of Gitchigami-42767"/>		
Create your own profile password		
<input type="text" value="Password *"/>	<input type="text" value="Confirm password *"/>	

\* Required field

Make sure your "Find My Club" section has the Boys & Girls Club of Gitchigami selected, so staff can approve youth.

Any questions please email Paige at [paige.moilanen@redcliff.gov](mailto:paige.moilanen@redcliff.gov)

## Native Learning Center Art Contest

The Native Learning Center is hosting a poster contest for Tribal Youth and is offering prizes for three different age group winners.

Theme: WHAT HOME MEANS TO ME

ENTER TO WIN A PRIZE!

Accepting Submissions from

April 1- June 30, 2020

All Tribal Communities are Welcomed to Submit! All Posters Must Be Original Art Work.

You May Use: Markers, Paints, Crayons, Colored Pencils, Beads and Fabric! Get as Creative as you'd like! Create a poster that shows what home means to you!

All forms of art are welcome; however your submission does need to be poster friendly.

Once you've finished your poster or if you have any questions, submit to:  
WilmaNoah@semtribe.com or  
KrystalCedeno@semtribe.com

3 AGE GROUP WINNERS!  
5-10; 11-13; 14-18



## Virtual Daily Lessons

The Boys and Girls Club has created Virtual Daily Lessons for school-age children!

There is a schedule of activities for both 3rd-5th graders and middle to high schoolers.

Want to access the activity links? Simply click on the Closures & Notices post that is pinned to the top of the Tribal Facebook page. Then click on "Boys & Girls Club Virtual Daily Lesson"

Enjoy!

**GREAT FUTURES START HERE.**



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS**  
OF THE RED CLIFF BAND OF  
LAKE SUPERIOR CHIPPEWA

Gitchigami

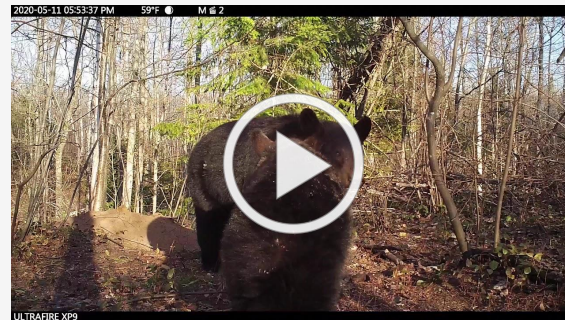
## Treaty Natural Resources

### New Wildlife Videos

Ma'iingan Den - Wolf Den



**Makwa - Bear**



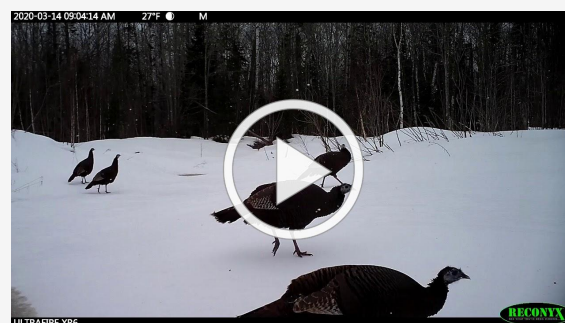
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ma'iingan - Wolf and Coyote**



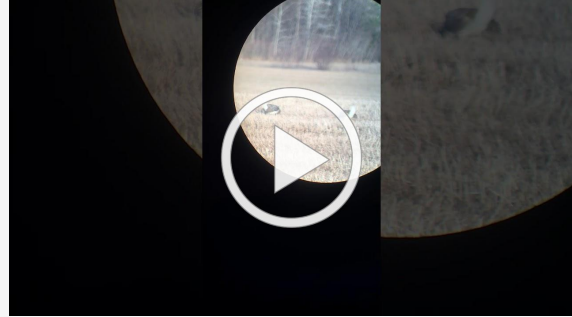
**Migizii - Eagle**



**Mizisewag - Turkey**



## Aagask - Sharp Tail Grouse



## Aagask 2 - Sharp Tail Grouse



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## Request for Bids: Construction of Light Industrial Building

Red Cliff's Treaty Natural Resources Division is soliciting bids for a General Contractor or Modular Building Company to build a 1,500 ft<sup>2</sup> light industrial building that will be used as a food handling, processing and storage space, as well as an office space.

Click [HERE](#) for submission details, building specifications, and contracting requirements.

All sealed bid proposals and materials must be received by 4:30 pm on May 20, 2020.

A public bid opening by the Project Team will be held on May 26 at 10:00 am in the Tribal Administration Building located at 88455 Pike Road, Red Cliff, WI.

Submit Sealed Bid by mail or physical delivery service to:

Red Cliff Property and Procurement Department  
Attn: Mino Bimaadiziwin Farm Building  
88455 Pike Road (Red Cliff)  
Bayfield, WI 54814

Prospective bidders may also hand deliver their sealed bid to the public bid opening. Hand delivered bids must be received prior to the start of bid opening at 10:00 am.

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## Venison Interest Webinar

The GLIFWC Ceded Territory Traditional Food Regulatory System Project staff are partnering with the Mino Bimaadiziwin Farm to host a live webinar for the Red Cliff Community.

Learn more about the project, hunting regulations, food safety and contaminant



concerns, and the Model Food Code's venison chapter.

Tuesday, May 26th  
2 - 3 p.m.

Click [HERE](#) to register or call (715) 685-2147.



## SPRING GARDEN ASSISTANCE for the Red Cliff Community

### Raised Bed Give-Away



- Free raised beds are available for community members
- Crew available to deliver and assemble for you

**Questions? Want to sign up? Please call Noah at  
the Environmental Department  
(715) 779—3650 ext. 4315 or  
[noah.saperstein@redcliff-nsn.gov](mailto:noah.saperstein@redcliff-nsn.gov)**



### Garden Tilling Assistance

Have an existing backyard garden you'd like tilled?  
Mino Bimaadiziwin Farm staff are available to help!

**Questions? Want to sign up? Please call Allissa at  
(715) 779 - 3782 or  
[allissa.stutte@redcliff-nsn.gov](mailto:allissa.stutte@redcliff-nsn.gov)**



### Save the Date for the Annual Plant Give-Away !



**May 28th and 29th at Mino Bimaadiziwin Tribal Farm  
Look for more details coming soon!**

Click [HERE](#) to view the TNR Ziigwan Spring Newsletter.



715-779-3744



## HOUSING NEWS

Red Cliff Chippewa Housing Authority News Brief

### COVID 19 Tips:

- For disinfecting hard surfaces use diluted bleach solutions or alcohol solutions with at least 70% alcohol.
- Diluted Bleach Solution: 1/3 cup of bleach per gallon of water
- Laundry: Use hot water

### Leasing/Occupancy (ext. 3501)

If your income has reduced, it is to your benefit as a tenant to do an Interim Recertification; in most cases it will lower your monthly rent charge.

### Recertifications are still required & can be accomplished electronically.

Take this time to get your account in order with more flexible payback agreements.

### Spring Clean-Up—COVID-19 Style

**TENANTS** may dispose of Spring Clean-Up items by dropping them off in the RCCHA dumpster at no charge. (Pick-up unavailable at this time).

**Monday, 5/18—Friday, 5/24**  
**8:30 am to 4:00 pm**

There are a number of items that we will not accept. Please review that list on our recent tenant notice (mailed).

*"With new homes being built soon, poise yourself to be a homeowner by checking your credit score & meeting with our Housing Counselor to ready yourself."*

*Cheryl Cloud, Housing Director*



Private Home Rehabilitation Programs in Action.  
Contact Cindy Butterfield at ext. 3516.

## News Across Indian Country

## White Pine Restoration

# to Improve Habitat, Climate

From Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission

In the first phase of a two-year effort, a crew contracted by The Nature Conservancy planted 42,500 native tree seedlings Wednesday in the Bad River reservation forest.

Most of the trees are white pine—once the dominant species in the area—and planted in the understory of a struggling mixed poplar stand. Bound in a soil plug, each pine seedling has a well-developed root system that provides advantages over traditional bare root seedlings.



With funds from a private foundation focused on forest restoration, Mashkiiziibii Natural Resources Department plans to continue work this summer, hiring tribal members to plant another 7,500 trees into the reservation forest.

Trees are excellent reservoirs for carbon dioxide, a gas that contributes to global warming and climate change. The Nature Conservancy is partnering with agencies and organizations in multiple Ceded Territory locations.

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## Ethnic Minority Emergency Grant

### Applications Accepted May 18-24

To help ethnic minority-owned micro-businesses cope with the economic impact of COVID-19, the Ethnic Minority Emergency Grant Initiative is being launched with a total of \$2 million to be made available to 1,000 Wisconsin micro-businesses.

A business may apply for a one-time grant of \$2,000 for short-term operations assistance through Wisconsin's Collective Ethnic and Diverse Organizations. Applicants will be subject to underwriting, and grant recipients will be required to submit a report indicating how the funds were used.

Applications will be accepted from May 18-24, 2020.

Eligible applicants are ethnic minority-owned businesses with five or fewer full-time equivalent employees (including the owner) in the retail, service or hospitality sectors that have not received assistance through WEDC's Small Business 20/20 Program or the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) through the federal CARES Act.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and frequently asked questions.

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## Resources for Small Business Owners

The Small Business Administration has made economic injury disaster loans available to small agricultural businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.



These loans are designed to provide working capital to help the business meet their ordinary and necessary financial obligations that cannot be met because of COVID-19 economic disruption. Interested applicants should go to the portal and apply as soon as possible.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

## Resources: Wisconsin Indian Business Alliance

### COVID-19 Resource Information

A new study showed that one out of five households have been affected by Covid-19 through a loss of income.

The Wisconsin Indian Business Alliance is here to provide you with information and resources to help you through any financial hardship during this time. Below are items or topics that we thought would be beneficial for you.

#### Start with the basics and take it step by step.

1. Calculate all expenses
2. Gather your bills and write down all total balances due
3. Determine your available income
4. Contact lenders

#### REMEMBER GOOD COMMUNICATION IS KEY!

Contact your lenders before missing a payment. They appreciate knowing that you care about having your account in good standing.

#### Who can I contact for rental assistance?

Contact your landlord to discuss your situation. Discuss the option of a payment plan. Another option is to contact US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) online at [www.hud.gov/coronavirus](http://www.hud.gov/coronavirus) or by phone at 414-935-6604 or 414-935-6605.

Some counties in Wisconsin, such as Dane and Milwaukee, have put a hold on processing any new eviction orders. Check with your county for applicable eviction codes.

If you are unable to make a loan payment it is important for you to contact lenders to notify them about your situation. **Some companies or lenders may be able to waive certain fees.** They might also be able to delay, adjust or skip payments. Creditors may also hold off on reporting any late payments to credit bureaus. When calling these lenders be prepared to explain the following:

- Your situation
- How much you can afford to pay
- When you're likely to be able to restart regular payments



#### What can I do about my mortgage payment?

HUD can provide approved housing counselors to discuss options if you are having trouble paying your mortgage or reverse mortgage loan. This may include forbearance or a modified payment program.

- Links for more information regarding mortgage assistance:
  - <https://www.fhfa.gov/Homeowners/MortgageAssistance/Pages/Coronavirus-Assistance-Information.aspx>
  - <https://www.hud.gov>



#### COVID-19 Stimulus

On March 27, Congress approved a \$2 trillion stimulus to help Americans during this Coronavirus crisis. This stimulus payment does not have to be paid back nor will it affect your future tax refund. This payment is non-taxable and does not need to be included when determining eligibility for federal programs.

For more information regarding COVID-19 Stimulus, please visit: <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/economic-impact-payments>



#### What about my utility bills?

Governor Evers' declared an Executive Order (#72) which stopped the disconnection of residential services for nonpayment and to reconnect service that had already been disconnected until the State of Emergency has been lifted. Wisconsin Emergency Order #11 also extends guidelines to Public Service Commission (PSC) utility providers to stop assessing late fees and not require a deposit for reconnection. Please note that this order only includes the PSC and does not include utility cooperatives. You will need to contact your utility provider for their disconnection policy or to set up a payment plan. Visit <https://www.benefits.gov/benefit/1397> for more information.

#### Family health insurance

Research demonstrates that out-of-pocket costs can, and frequently do, effectively limit access to needed care for insured patients. Public health experts warn that efforts to control spread of the coronavirus that causes COVID-19 will be less effective if people fail to seek appropriate diagnosis or care due to the cost.



It is important for you to research your coverage and premium expenses especially if you have been laid off. For example, with the Ho-Chunk Nation employees, health insurance benefits for temporary layoffs will continue throughout the time that the employee is laid off but once employee returns to work he/she will be deducted for their missed insurance premium. This is where it is important to make sure you plan and budget for that expense.

**2-1-1**  
Get Connected. Get Help.™

**Call 211**  
This resource will provide a list of referrals for many things such as food assistance, paying housing bills, accessing free childcare or obtaining help with any other needs you may have.  
<https://211.wisconsin.communityos.org>

Special thanks to **First Nations Community Financial** for compiling this information.



## Community Updates

Follow the link below to see announcements for upcoming events!

[View the announcements](#)

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