## The Gathering

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#### Citizen's Corner

We have a citizen who works in the insurance field. He has offered to help other citizens with selecting medical insurance / medicare during the current open enrollment period. He is offering his assistance at NO CHARGE to citizens. Those who would like assistance in choosing a health plan contact Aaron "Lobo" Thorne via text (305) 497-4132 or email <a href="mailto:aapthorne@gmail.com">aapthorne@gmail.com</a>. OPEN ENROLLMENT IS: NOV 1-DEC 15 for under 65 OCT 12-DEC17 for medicare over 65

#### **Federal Acknowledgement**

Thank you to all who have submitted items - we greatly appreciate it, it is very important and helpful to this journey. There is still time to submit anything you have to share!

It is time to begin collecting any and all historical, spiritual and political (governance) information that will be used to create a historical and spiritual timeline leading from the 1852-1853 treaty up to now. This is absolutely necessary to get our Nation to acknowledgment. Magazine articles, internet articles. Personal (family) stories, books, research papers and any communications to or from us that show we are recognized by other entities as a Nation. Examples would be recent communications from federal government asking for our input into place name reconciliation act, other federally recognized tribes forwarding requests for tribal enrollment, ICWA inquiries, any communications between state or federal government representatives (state or federal legislators, governors or other state officials). Involvement of support for Oak Flat, Boarding School historical education, support for our Nations and other Tribal Nations cultural or political causes.

Contacting scholars to see if they would help provide their research for the scattered Chiricahua. Remember no piece of information is to small.

This is an all hands on deck situation and will need Council and Citizens of our Nation to accomplish.

The time is now! If we want to achieve acknowledgment we MUST gather the above mentioned information. How much do we want this for future generations? How much do we want this for our people? This will not be easy but if we all work together it is possible. The future of our Nation is in every Citizens hands!



Next Open Council Meeting December 13th, 2023 - 6:30pm MST

Zoom link posted <u>www.ChiricahuaApacheNation.org</u>

Citizen participation welcome: questions, comments, concerns

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### Citizens' wellness!

We are pleased to announce that we are able to offer some items for our citizens. Contact Diane at <a href="mailto:dnaranjo@chiricahuaapachenation.org">dnaranjo@chiricahuaapachenation.org</a> for more details.





#### Donations

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