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Who We Serve

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- Supporting Tribes with the repatriation of human remains and sacred items
- Supporting Tribes' engagement with the United Nations; including the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples;
- Working with Tribes on the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples;
- Calling attention to human rights violations and abuses perpetrated against indigenous individuals and violence against indigenous environmental defenders
- Developing initiatives that address the disproportionate effect of the climate crisis on indigenous peoples around the globe and support indigenous efforts to mitigate and adapt to the crisis
- Promoting the development and installation of technical resources to combat issues such as human trafficking, road safety, and environmental emergencies

New Initiatives

International Museums Guide

STOP Act

White House Council on Native American Affairs

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Washington, DC 20240

The Trump administration's defense of its \$400 million White House ballroom project

failed to impress U.S. District Judge Richard Leon, who on Tuesday accused the DOJ of "shifting" arguments as to why the president didn't obtain approval from Congress. The administration contended that Congress has several million dollars allocated for White House maintenance, a representation that Leon mocked as "brazen," given the scale of the renovation. Leon said he hopes to deliver his ruling by the end of March — shortly before above-ground construction is set to begin.

A federal judge has reinstated 1,000 Voice of America employees,

calling Kari Lake's lack of cooperation in the case a "Hallmark production in bad faith." Lake oversaw the wind-down of VOA's parent, the U.S. Agency for Global Media, which U.S. District Judge Royce C. Lamberth said violated federal administrative law. Lamberth ordered all full-time employees to return to work by March 23, and the agency to resume international broadcasting — resurrecting a key source of independent U.S. messaging abroad at a vital juncture for foreign relations.

New NV top water regulator appointed, industry ties questioned by conservation groups

Joe Cacioppo appointed as Nevada state engineer, tasked with managing water resources and resolving water claim disputes. [Read more...](#)



~ The Trump administration's attacks on diversity programs and immigrants have reached a new level with the General Services Administration introducing a new rule that would require all nonprofits, Tribes, and service providers to sign onto and abide by the administration's proposed illegal restrictions.

Trump issued an executive order early in his second term banning federal agencies from implementing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) initiatives meant to address generational inequities in our society. But this new proposed rule takes that even further, opening up nonprofits and other entities to legal harassment by the federal government. And it's not just an attack on DEI. **Trump is seeking to criminalize any assistance to immigrants, and seeks to label groups that oppose his agenda as domestic terrorists.**

Throughout U.S. history, Native peoples and Tribes have faced attacks for our beliefs and ceremonies, and have had our land, human rights, and sovereignty trampled on by the federal government. We have seen and fought back against these kinds of attacks before. But this time it is different.

Right now, there is a federal comment period and we need to show a growing movement that will never be silenced or intimidated.

[Click here to submit your official comment opposing Trump's anti-DEI and anti-immigrant attack on nonprofits, Tribes, and service providers.](#)

Under attack are the organizations that are the backbone of urban and rural communities and reservations that provide essential services, including housing, economic development, environmental protection, health, education, food sovereignty, disaster recovery, and grassroots advocacy.

Under the proposed changes, applicants and recipients of federal financial assistance would be required to sign new certifications under penalty of criminal and civil law. **But, because the administration's requirements are so vague, many organizations will choose not to utilize federal funding in order to avoid the anticipated legal harassment. Health, educational, and social disparities will grow, deepening the divides between communities.**

Nonprofits wrongfully accused of violating these orders would have to spend enormous amounts of time and money defending themselves in audits, investigations, and court.

These proposed changes will accelerate the politically driven attacks on the health and well-being of all of our communities. Tribes, Native communities, immigrants, and communities of color will become the first to face accusations. We have already witnessed the politically motivated attacks on Medicaid and child care in Minnesota and the Somali community.

[Take action now. Submit your official comment to the General Services Administration and urge them to reject this proposed rule change that is an attack on nonprofits, Tribes, and service providers.](#)

In Minnesota, the actions of the people proved our Native traditional ways are a path to resist the attempts to divide us: community care and protection. Serving Native peoples, immigrants, and communities of color is not domestic terrorism. Together, let's raise our voices and fight back.

Hawwih (*thank you*) for supporting organizations that are critical to the health and well-being of our communities. Judith LeBlanc (Caddo), Executive Director

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**There's a little-known law that Congress is using *in an unprecedented way* to unravel protections for some of our most treasured public lands.**

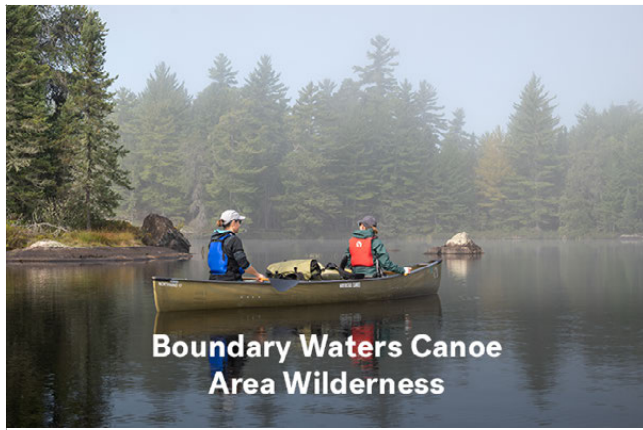
**It's called the Congressional Review Act**, and it allows Congress to review and potentially overturn rules being finalized by federal agencies with a simple majority vote. Its original intent was to give Congress a tool to review last-minute rules being enacted by outgoing administrations—but for the first time in history, anti-conservation members of Congress are **using it to axe protections for national monuments, wilderness areas and even wildlife refuges.** **[Learn more about how this obscure tool is being weaponized to break America's public lands >>](#)**

**The CRA is highly controversial—and the impact on our public lands could be dangerous, sweeping and permanent.**

**Here's how Congress' abuse of the CRA could impact three important landscapes:**



Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in southern Utah is home to towering red and white cliffs, ancient petroglyphs and dinosaur fossils that give us an amazing window into our past. **But now, Utah's Senator Mike Lee and Representative Celeste Maloy are attempting to use the CRA to overturn its management plan and reopen the door to drilling and mining that would permanently scar this incredible landscape and limit our freedom to experience its natural treasures.**



**The Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness** in northern Minnesota is one of our nation's largest and most visited wilderness areas. It contains more than a thousand lakes and streams, making it a one-of-a-kind spot for canoeing and recreation. It's also part of the ancestral and modern homeland of the Anishinaabe people, and a key refuge for wildlife including lynx, otters, black bears and sturgeon. But lawmakers are weaponizing the CRA to strip vital protections from its headwaters—paving the way for destructive mining that would devastate wildlife, poison pristine waters and prevent the public from exploring this beloved place.



**America's Arctic** is one of the last great wild places on Earth, a vast and remote region that sustains Indigenous communities and is home to abundant wildlife. But Congress has used the CRA to overturn hard-fought protections for both the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and the Western Arctic. Plans that took years of science, public comments and collaboration with Alaska Native communities have been tossed aside by politicians in Washington D.C.—all to benefit oil and gas companies.

**[Learn more about how the CRA is being used to throw public lands into chaos >>](#)**

**These landscapes belong to all of us. They are sources of clean water, wildlife habitat, cultural history and renewal—and we *must* protect them today so that future generations may inherit their wonders.**

This destructive use of the CRA is unprecedented—and we are only able to fight back because of the advocacy and support of public lands champions like you. Thank you for standing with us and staying engaged at this critical moment.

With gratitude, Margot Krieger, Director of Membership, The Wilderness Society



*Learning is the raising of character by the broadening of vision and the deepening of feeling.*  
— Mayer Sulzberger

**Big power facility advances:** Reno Planning Commission recommended approval of 200-megawatt lithium-ion battery storage facility in South Reno, connecting to Mira Loma substation. Supporters cite grid stability while a commissioner questions backups for residents -- [see what's planned and debated](#).

California condors are the largest land bird in North America — with wingspans of almost 10 feet. The vultures look and sound otherworldly, with good reason. They are a Pleistocene-era animal, survivors of the last ice age. These incredible scavengers — weighing up to 25 pounds — used to range from California to Florida and from Canada to Mexico.

But in the last century, their populations crashed. The federal government listed them as endangered in 1967, and in 1982, only 23 condors survived worldwide. A substantial conservation campaign in California followed, spanning several decades. Now there are more than 600 alive, but they aren't doing as well as scientists expected.


Read on to find out why, despite many protections, the birds are still struggling.

[Read More](#)

## **Engineering Night Mar 27, 2026 - 05:30 PM**

William N. Pennington Engineering Building Lobby (UNR) Middle school students ages 10 to 14 who enjoy building, testing, tinkering, or figuring out how things work can dive into an evening of interactive engineering at UNR. Families can explore activities that encourage experimentation, creativity, and discovery. Kids can try a variety of challenge stations hosted by engineering clubs, students, and faculty, each showcasing a different idea from the engineering world. The experience highlights how engineers address real-world problems and gives participants a chance to imagine and create their own solutions. Registration information is available. [Learn more](#)

**Car Care Day at the The Discovery Museum    Mar 28, 2026 - 10:00 AM**                      Car Care Day brings hands-on automotive exploration to The Discovery for enthusiasts of all ages. Experts with NAPA AutoCare Centers help visitors delve into how vehicles move, steer, and stop. Activities include an auto parts petting zoo, opportunities to build and test a race car, and the chance to conduct crash testing yourself. The day also features the Wicked Wayz car show and an opportunity to meet NHRA driver Ron Capps, along with more car care experiences throughout the event. Admission to the museum is free for all ages all day.    [Learn more](#)

 **Saturday (March 21) (Las Vegas, 3-6 p.m.)**

**Beading with Susie**

Native Voters Alliance Nevada will host a community event focused on beading and Native advocacy discussions.

**Las Vegas serves as case study for groundwater recovery, study says**

“Groundwater depletion is a growing concern for regions that need to provide water for growing cities and thirsty agriculture in a drying climate, but Las Vegas offers a case study for how intervention can help stabilize a major source of portable water. New research published in Science Magazine Thursday documents dozens of cases of “groundwater recovery” across the globe — where groundwater levels rose after a prolonged period of depletion. Las Vegas stood out as a rare case of groundwater levels recovering significantly after intervention through artificial recharge, which involves direct injection of treated unused Colorado River water into the local groundwater aquifer. Since 1987, the Las Vegas Valley Water District (LVVWD) and its partners have stored more than 360,000 acre-feet of treated water, or roughly 117 billion gallons, in the local underground aquifer — a major shift after decades of intensive groundwater use that caused once free flowing artesian wells in the valley to run dry. ... ” [Read more from the Nevada Current.](#)

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“A truly great library contains something in it to offend everyone.”

—*Mary Jo Godwin*

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**Nevada utility to Lake Tahoe: Find electricity elsewhere**

**In summary**

Lake Tahoe’s longtime power supplier, NV Energy, will cut off the region next year. It has said data centers are driving “unprecedented” demand.

<https://calmatters.org/economy/2026/03/nevada-utility-to-lake-tahoe-find-electricity-elsewhere/>

## Scholarships with April 20-26 Deadlines

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| <a href="#"><u>American Sports Builders Foundation Scholarship</u></a>          | \$2,500  | April 20, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Lisa Higgins Hussman Scholarship</u></a>                         | \$3,000  | April 20, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Schwallie Family Scholarship</u></a>                             | \$3,000  | April 20, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Synchrony Scholarship for Autistic Students of Color</u></a>     | \$3,000  | April 20, 2026 |
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| <a href="#"><u>APCF Bank of the Sierra Scholarship</u></a>                      | \$2,000  | April 21, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>APCF Best Formulations Scholarship</u></a>                       | \$10,000 | April 21, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>APCF Cathay Bank Foundation Scholarship Program</u></a>          | \$2,500  | April 21, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>APCF Royal Business Bank Scholarship</u></a>                     | \$1,000  | April 21, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>APCF State Bank of India (California) Scholarship</u></a>        | \$1,000  | April 21, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Chao Family Foundation Scholarship</u></a>                       | \$20,000 | April 21, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>CRA All-Access Scholarship</u></a>                               | \$5,000  | April 21, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>NCCA VS Scholarship Opportunity</u></a>                          | \$20,000 | April 21, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>NCITD International Trade Scholarship Program</u></a>            | \$1,000  | April 21, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Preferred Bank Scholarship Program</u></a>                       | \$2,000  | April 21, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>SVCF Honmyo Nguyen Family Trust Scholarship</u></a>              | \$2,500  | April 21, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Waukegan Park District Scholarship</u></a>                       | \$1,000  | April 21, 2026 |
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| <a href="#"><u>AIGA Worldstudio Scholarships</u></a>                            | \$5,000  | April 22, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Central Coast Greenhouse Growers Association Scholarship</u></a> | \$1,500  | April 22, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>New Mexico Engineering Foundation Scholarships</u></a>           | \$3,000  | April 22, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Wilt Chamberlain Memorial Fund Scholarship Program</u></a>       | \$20,000 | April 22, 2026 |
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| <a href="#"><u>The Hyacinth Scarlett Music Memorial Scholarship</u></a>         | \$500    | April 23, 2026 |
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| <a href="#"><u>7X24 Exchange Rocky Mountain Chapter Scholarship</u></a>         | \$5,000  | April 24, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Anthony Muñoz Scholarship Fund</u></a>                           | \$20,000 | April 24, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Davis Memorial Foundation Scholarship</u></a>                    | \$5,000  | April 24, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Girls on the Run Molly Molk College Scholarship</u></a>          | \$1,500  | April 24, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>New England Service Scholarship</u></a>                          | \$1,000  | April 24, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>NURSE Corps Scholarship Program</u></a>                          | \$1,626  | April 24, 2026 |

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| <a href="#"><u>Parkinson Association of the Rockies Eric Wright Memorial Fund</u></a> | \$20,000 | April 24, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Texas Women in Public Finance Scholarship</u></a>                      | \$3,500  | April 24, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>WGA Celebrate The West High School Art Competition</u></a>             | \$600    | April 24, 2026 |
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| <a href="#"><u>AADE Appalachian Chapter Scholarship</u></a>                           | \$2,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u><b>AIANTA Tourism &amp; Hospitality Scholarship</b></u></a>            | \$2,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Builders League of South Jersey Scholarship Foundation</u></a>         | \$7,500  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Butkus-Sylvester Family Scholarship</u></a>                            | \$23,420 | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u><b>CCPA Native American Scholarship</b></u></a>                        | \$1,500  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>COMTO Philadelphia Scholarship Program</u></a>                         | \$2,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Couch Oil Cares Scholarship</u></a>                                    | \$2,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Illinois Engineering Initiative Scholarship</u></a>                    | \$2,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Linda Craig Memorial Scholarship</u></a>                               | \$2,500  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Marylinn Munson &amp; Bio Nebraska STEM Scholarship</u></a>            | \$2,500  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>NENAWC Career Scholarship</u></a>                                      | \$2,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>NSPE-NH State Scholarship Program</u></a>                              | \$1,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Peppy Moldovan Memorial Award</u></a>                                  | \$1,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>SDC-Harris Education Scholarship</u></a>                               | \$1,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>SENEDIA STEM Scholarship</u></a>                                       | \$2,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>The Emma Nysten Scholarship</u></a>                                    | \$6,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>The FAB Scholars Scholarship</u></a>                                   | \$1,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>The Weston Scholarship</u></a>                                         | \$1,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Vermont Federal Credit Union Educational Scholarships</u></a>          | \$2,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Vermont Retail &amp; Grocers Association Scholarship</u></a>           | \$1,500  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>WHFF Plein Environmental Scholarship</u></a>                           | \$5,000  | April 25, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Women's Metropolitan Golf Association Foundation Scholarship</u></a>   | Varies   | April 25, 2026 |
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| <a href="#"><u>Allegra Ford Thomas Scholarship</u></a>                                | \$5,000  | April 26, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Greek Women's University Club National Music Competition</u></a>       | \$1,000  | April 26, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>Saint Patrick's Scholarship Fund</u></a>                               | \$24,000 | April 26, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>St. Boniface Young Artist Showcase</u></a>                             | \$1,500  | April 26, 2026 |
| <a href="#"><u>The Agnes Cooke Scholarship</u></a>                                    | \$3,000  | April 26, 2026 |



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[From Cheryl Crazy Bull](#)

Our voices are a vital part of our democracy. We know how important it is for you to be heard and to make sure the communities you care about are heard, too. That's why we want to make you aware of an important issue being debated on the US Senate floor right now.

A new piece of legislation is threatening to silence your voice—and the voices of Native American communities across the country. Democracy only works when everyone is allowed to participate, yet the proposed SAVE Act creates hurdles that keep eligible voters away from the ballot box.



The SAVE Act (H.R. 22) would fundamentally change how Americans register to vote. It would require all citizens to provide physical, documentary proof of citizenship—such as a passport or birth certificate—to register or update their voter information. Because these documents must be verified by an official, this effectively forces most people to register in person. While this may sound like a simple requirement, it creates a disproportionate crisis for Native American voters.

Why is the SAVE Act a barrier?

The Act requires IDs to list a “place of birth” to be valid. Most Tribal IDs do not include this, effectively rendering them useless for registration.

Without a valid Tribal ID, voters must produce expensive or hard-to-replace documents like passports or birth certificates.

For those on rural Tribal lands, “registering in person” isn't a quick trip—it can mean a 100+ mile journey to the nearest election office during work hours.

Legislation that ignores the geographic and sovereign realities of Indian Country isn't about security—it's about exclusion. You can help stop this.

Tell Your Senators to vote NO

In Loving Memory of  
**Milton Taylor**

January 10, 1956 -  
March 04, 2026

As we honor the memories of those who have departed, we find solace in knowing that love never truly fades. It lingers in the soft whisper of the wind, in the laughter of those who remain, and in the quiet stillness of our hearts. Their legacy is not in the sorrow of loss, but in the beauty of the love they left behind.



**Funeral Services**

March 24, 2026 - 11:00AM

Walton's Funeral Home  
2155 Kietzke Lane  
Reno, NV 89502

Burial to be held at a later date in Polacca, AZ  
Dinner after services - Food Donation Appreciated  
Wadsworth Community Center