

NATIVE YOUTH PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

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Native American Heritage Month

Happy Native American Heritage Month! The origins of the month can be traced back to a combination of efforts by various individuals and groups advocating for the recognition of Indigenous peoples. This month we honor the contributions, achievements, sacrifices, and cultural and historical legacy of Native American Tribes.

Fun Facts:

- **First Celebration:** In 1916, the second Saturday in May was declared "American Indian Day" by the governor of New York.
- **NAHM Established:** In 1990, Congress passed a resolution that officially designated November as National American Indian Heritage Month (now Native American Heritage Month).

Upcoming Events

Monthly Theme:
Family-Puow'wan
(Pron. poo-ohw'wahn)

- **Nov. 04:** Communicable Disease Presentation by ZDI at PITU Gym, 4-5 p.m.
- **Nov. 22:** Fall Gathering at SUU Hunter Alumni Center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Nov. 27 -28:** Thanksgiving Powwow, Grand Entries Friday 6 p.m. and Saturday 2 & 6 p.m.

See full calendar of events at
[PITU.gov/Native-Youth/](https://pitu.gov/Native-Youth/)

November Performances

- Nov. 1 - Enoch Gateway Academy, 9 a.m. (All)
- Nov. 9 - Wes Nielsen business, 11 a.m. (Drum and Flute)
- Nov. 11 - Cedar City 173rd Birthday Celebration Concert, TBA
- Nov. 14 - SUU NASA Showcase, 5 p.m. (All)

Puow'wan

This month we will be crafting centerpieces, which will consist of mason jars, branches, lights, and photos of Paiute tribal members. This craft will be the youth's contribution to this year's Fall Gathering. When you think of the significance of family, reflect on these characteristics:

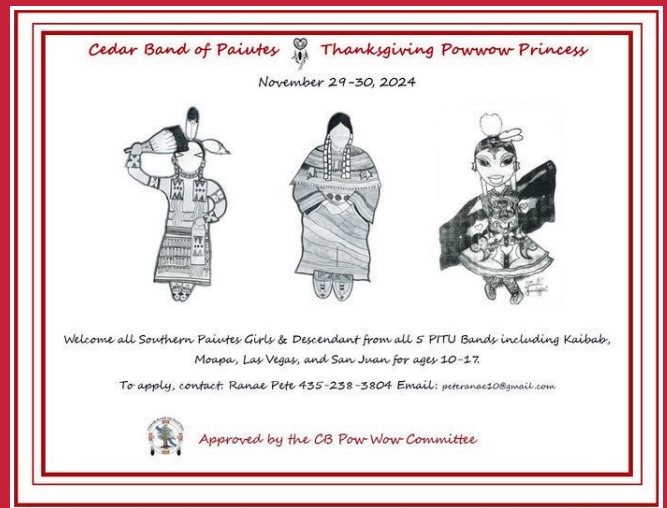
- **Cultural Identity:** who you are and where you come from (language, culture, traditions)
- **Community:** participating in the community for the betterment of the community will enrich the lives of those within
- **Being a Good Relative:** showing kinship, compassion, love, and support.

"To have strong community, we need strong families. To have strong families we need strong community."



Youth Fall Gathering

During the Fall Gathering, the Youth will be visiting SUMA, participating in a STEM activity, and more. The Native Youth Program will escort kids to join their parents for the Fashion Show at 2 p.m. Additionally, youth will have the chance to win prizes.



Cedar Band of Paiutes Thanksgiving Powwow Princess Applications

The pageant is open to all female Southern Paiutes and descendants, ages 10-17. The pageant will be held during the 1st session of the Thanksgiving Powwow. For more information or to apply, contact Ranae Pete at (435) 238-3804 or peteranae10@gmail.com.

Registration

Please ensure that all Native youth are registered, as it is required for participation in the activities. Visit our website at <https://PITU.gov/native-youth> or use the QR code to register.

