



## Who We Are

Partnership With Native Americans is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit committed to championing hope for a brighter future for Native Americans living on remote or geographically isolated and impoverished reservations. Collaborating with a network of tribal community partners, we provide immediate relief and support long-term solutions for strong, self-sufficient Native American communities.

A BBB-accredited charity, PWNA partners with hundreds of reservation programs focused on leading positive change within their tribal communities. Our Native community partners provide input about reservation needs and goals, helping PWNA deliver the right goods and services to support solutions and help end the cycle of poverty.

**Our History:** Founded in 1990, PWNA has evolved from a small startup to a high-impact nonprofit with a clear mission, dedicated team and committed donors who support our work.

**Our Motivation:** We believe the people who live and work in the tribal communities we serve have the solutions to the problems that challenge their quality of life. PWNA's role is to be a trusted partner and resource to support their community-driven efforts toward lasting change.

**Our Locations:** Our program offices are centrally located in Phoenix, Ariz., and Rapid City, S.D., to serve reservations in 9 priority states. Our donor office is in Culpeper, Va. and our administrative headquarters is in Addison, Texas.

**PWNA Funding:** Through continuous service over three decades, PWNA has provided nearly \$430 million in aid to the reservations and impacted the lives of 250,000 Native Americans annually. PWNA relies solely on monetary and in-kind donations to serve Native Americans with the highest need in the U.S. By incorporating high quality gift-in-kind donations and monetary contributions, PWNA assures a cost-effective response to our reservation partners' needs.

**Partnerships & Programming:** PWNA's reservation program partners include grassroots community leaders, volunteers and community-based organizations working to assist tribal members. PWNA assists Native American communities with material aid, education services, capacity building such as leadership development and healthy nutrition training, and support for community investment projects that bring sustainable gains to tribal communities. PWNA also connects outside resources directly to reservations through our distribution network and partnerships.

## **What Sets Us Apart**

- PWNA has been serving Indian Country for 30 years, as one of the largest Native American-led and Native-serving charities in the U.S.
- Funders and collaborators often partner with PWNA because of our knowledge of Native history, cultural competency and distribution system.
- PWNA partners with programs in hundreds of tribal communities, delivering critical goods and services year-round and reaching remote reservations many organizations cannot reach.
- We focus on tribal communities across the Southwest and Northern Plains, serving the communities most in need with customized solutions for each.
- PWNA takes a dual approach, addressing immediate needs while supporting longterm solutions, for instance:
  - Food distributions and Native food sovereignty initiatives to support food access and healthy diets
  - o School supplies and scholarships as well as leadership training
  - Emergency response and emergency preparedness planning
  - o Animal welfare supplies as well as immunizations and spay/neuter services
- Long before nonprofit impact-reporting was expected, PWNA used a Program Logic Model to measure our impact and identify programs that are timely and culturally relevant for Native communities. This shows us nearly 90% of our partners are more effective due to working with PWNA.

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