



## **CHURCHILL COMMUNITY COALITION**

- Substance abuse prevention nonprofit, est. 2001
  - **Funders:** Federal and State Substance Abuse Prevention & Treatment Agency (SAPTA) Funds
  - Churchill County Funds

#### Goals:

- Reduce alcohol, marijuana, tobacco, and other drug use in Native American youth, adults & families through education & using cultural practices to support prevention.
- Provide youth, adult & families with tools to live healthy, substance-free lives.
- Partner with tribal entities and local tribal members to create culturally relevant content, materials and programs.

# CHURCHILL COUNTY: 5,024 SQ. MILES "TOI DICUTTA NUMU" LAND

### General Population Overview:

- 24,022 people
  - 9,000 located within the City of Fallon
  - County land is predominantly used for agricultural farms, ranches and dairies
- 1 Federally recognized tribal reservation and colony
  - Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe (FPST)
- 1 Naval Air Base
  - Over 3,000 active duty personnel, civilian employees and DoD contractors
- Closest urban areas (Carson & Reno) at least 60 miles away
- Limited access to general healthcare & behavioral health providers

## Native Nations Demographics:

- Over 1,500 enrolled Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tri bal Members
  - ~900 members living within the county
  - ~500 members living on tribal land
    ~385 youth 21 and under
  - Large Elder population
  - Churchill Native population is represented by members of many different tribal nations

<u>Sources:</u> datausa.io cnic.navy.mil FPST Tribal Enrollment



## TRIBAL PARTNERS

- Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe
  - (FPST)- Main Partner
- Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
- Walker River Paiute Tribe
- Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
- Yomba Shoshone Tribe
- Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe



## **FPST COLLABORATION**

- Majority of our collaborative efforts are with FPST
- Assisting with COVID-19 prevention efforts: Bulletin Boards
  - Annual Events:
    - Tribal Earth Day
    - Tribal Health Fair
    - Rx Drug Roundup
    - 5k Color Run
    - Coalition Youth Summit

- Monthly Events:
  - Tribal Advisory Committee (TAC)
  - Coalition Quarterly Meetings

- Community Trainings:
  - Naloxone, Daughters of Tradition, Crisis Intervention, Digital Storytelling, Mindfulness, Too Good for Drugs



## **CIRCLES OF CARE COLLABORATION**

- Circles of Care (FPST Behavioral Health Program)
  - *TAC Meetings*: Collaborate on current projects and efforts throughout Northern Nevada
  - Youth Projects.
    - Gathering of Native Americans
    - Tribal Youth Advisory Committee (YAC)
    - In Her Shoes training
    - Collective Youth Workshop
  - Media Campaigns
    - Brochure & Materials Collaboration
      - Billboard Collaboration
        - "When one of use heals, we all heal"

In partnership with Circles of Care, we are able to extend current programs, events and efforts to surrounding tribal communities they work with directly.



#### **COALITION "CULTURE IS PREVENTION" PROGRAMS**

We create programs geared towards addressing cultural values and the history of indigenous peoples struggle with substances and assimilation to help students understand historical and intergenerational trauma.

These programs provide students with the tools to claim their power and make educated and informed decisions. It is important for youth to understand that their identity is vast and that they make choices that effect their futures.

#### **Provided Programs:**

- One of Many High School Focus Group
- Vision Quest Middle School Focus group
- FPST Youth Summer Program
- Native youth ropes course Leadership Training
- Annual Youth Summit
- Weber Cultural Camp



#### **COALITION "CULTURE IS PREVENTION" PROJECTS**

We contract local and nonlocal First Nations people to teach cultural workshops and programs that promote cultural values an d tie indigenous peoples to the past and present.

They align with what the research says works in prevention.

#### **Provided Workshops:**

- **Drum Making**: Chet Stevens (Te-Moak Elko Western Shoshone)
- Moccasin Making: Lillie Bright (FPST Toi Dicutta)
- Winnowing Basket Weaving: Donna Cossette (FPST Toi Dicutta, Agai Ticutta)
- Cradle Board Making: Donna Cossette
- Digital Storytelling: Myron Dewey (FPST Toi Dicutta, Agai Ticutta)
  - Media Creation: Local youth create artwork for projects
- Finding Your Connection: Roy Murphy (Muckleshoot Tribe, WA)
  - **Peyote-Stitch Beading**



