



Sustainability

## *Secondhand Smoke Protections in Tribal Communities*

Mission and Core Values

To provide commercial tobacco secondhand smoke awareness and resources to New Mexico tribal communities, improving health outcomes.

Respect, Culture, Family, Responsibility to Community, Humility, Health, Love, Community, Empowerment,

### *Meet This Week's Outreach Coordinator*

Willymae Smith-McNeal

Willymae (Mescalero Apache) serves as the manager of the Mescalero Apache Tribal Tobacco Cessation and Prevention Program and the interim director of the Violence Against Women Program at the Mescalero Apache Tribe Human Services Department.

In her role, she is responsible for managing a commercial tobacco control program that outreaches to Mescalero Apache community members and provides education about the dangers of commercial tobacco use while promoting tribal tobacco use.



You can contact Willymae [here](#).

### *Tobacco in the News*

More than half of Americans at risk from unhealthy air



The 2016 "State of the Air" report, released on April 20 by the American Lung Association, finds that despite continued improvement in air quality, 166 million Americans (52.1 percent) are at risk from health effects of unhealthy air.

This 17th annual, national air quality report card found that unhealthy air puts more than half of all Americans at risk for premature death and other serious health effects like lung cancer, asthma attacks, cardiovascular damage and developmental and reproductive harm.

Read the full article [here](#).

### *Community Successes*

Laguna youth participate in growing project

Laguna Pueblo is making strides with youth and a community gardening project. The pueblo

has a cultural preservation program that brings together youth and farmers to garden fresh vegetables and plants. Students are introduced to the concepts of earth, water, and all elements, and guided by community elders about planting and harvesting.



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## Event Calendar

What's going on in the community.

Join Team *NativeExpress* in **Bike MS: Pedal Los Pueblos 2016!** The ride takes place August 27 & 28, 2016. The friendly race starts and ends at Buffalo Thunder Casino - Choose from three different race lengths.

Learn more about the team and event [here](#).

Click [here](#) to see the full event calendar. If you have an event in your area that you would like to add to our calendar, please share it with us [here](#).

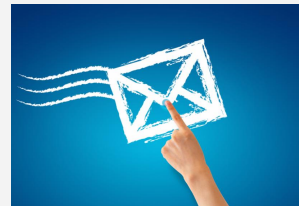


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## What now?

Moving Forward.

We encourage you to read all the articles in this and upcoming newsletters, and to share and forward these emails to people within your network to keep everyone up to date!



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*This is a free notification service that provides the latest on commercial and traditional tobacco news, events, topics, and successes.*

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