

Monthly Community Newsletter

Summer Greetings!!

- SAVE THE DATE! Join us to Celebrate the American Indian Cultural Districts' One Year Anniversary and Cultural Hub Grand Opening on Saturday, September 25th from 12 - 3 pm at Fort Mason Upper Meadow. See the flyer here.
- 8/25, <u>Applications will be due</u> to join <u>Illuminative</u> for their upcoming virtual series in September to learn more about careers in the entertainment industry.
- 8/13, American Indians Accessing Health Professions 6th Annual Conference is a free two day virtual event starting August 13, 2021. <u>Registration here.</u>
- 8/5, SFUSD Indian Education Title VI Program is hiring a Management Assistant! <u>Application here</u>.
- 8/3, The Department of Public Health (DPH) passes its Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgement Resolution and is in reviewing stages with American Indian Health Orgs on an American Indian Health Disparities Resolution.
- 7/24, Our free Native and Vaccinated Pins are here!! Stay tuned to our social media for updates!
- 7/23, The Cultural Conservancy partnered with the Native American Food Sovereignty Alliance and the Indigenous Seed Keepers Network to collaborate on a short film, "Seed Mother: Coming Home". <u>Watch here.</u>

Follow us on social media for events & updates!

Blessings, The AICD Team On Unceded Ramaytush Ohlone Land

News & Updates



Big News in Indian Country!

- 8/3/21, Senate Advances Padilla Amendment to Improve Urban Indian Health Infrastructure. <u>More</u> <u>here.</u>
- 8/3/21, AICD Board Member Morning Star Gali discusses the effects of climate change to American Indian sacred lands and our way of life. <u>Read more</u> <u>here</u>.
- 7/30/21, A 25-foot Native American totem pole arrives in D.C. after a journey to sacred lands across U.S. <u>More info here.</u>
- 7/30/21, NAHC's Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Jenkins discussing the Delta Variant on NBC news, "Jenkins does not want to relive 2020, but he said that will all depend on how we respond to the contagious delta variant." <u>More here.</u>
- 7/27/21, California Tribal Members, And Fishermen Call On Gavin Newsom To Provide Water To Stop Salmon Fish Kills. <u>Read about it here in News from Native</u> <u>California</u>.

LOVE YOUR RIVER WEEK



OUN WATERSHEDS AND FISH ARE IN INCUELE. JOIN US FOR A WEER DEDICATED TO LOVING, SHARING ABOUT, ENJOYING, PRAVING FOR, AND TAKING ACTION FOR OUR RIVERS, CREEKS, SPRINGS AND BACTIONS ALL WEEK. SUPPORT YOUR EVENTS, POSTS AND ACTIONS ALL WEEK. CONTACT INFOCCALIFORNISSALMON, ORG TO GET INVOLVED.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS & EVENTS

- 8/15-8/21, LOVE YOUR RIVERS WEEK with Saving California Salmon. Contact: info@californiasalmon.org
- Sundays, 1pm: Join CCUIH on Facebook to hear COVID-19 updates from Executive Director, Virginia Hedrick. Join here.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Honor American Indian History & Presence in the SF Bay Area! <u>Take our survey</u> <u>here.</u>
- <u>Submit a photo here to be</u> shared across AICD social media platforms



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- 7/5, NEW GRANT OPPORTUNITY to support Bay Area artists with a music-based project or businesses. Applications due August 19. Learn more here.
- 7/1, Mayor Breed lit up City Hall in orange as the American Indian community in the SF Bay Area marched to the Civic Center to honor the legacy of residential school survivors and the memory of those who did not make it home. <u>More info here</u>.
- 6/25, <u>Read about the American Indian Historical Society</u> in our most recent collaboration with SF Heritage's to elevate the American Indian voice and contributions in SF, <u>More here</u>.
- 6/23, SF Recreation & Parks read a Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgement at India Basin Groundbreaking, <u>Watch here.</u>
- 6/23, The Native American Health Center is Hiring!!! They have several positions open in both their San Francisco and Oakland locations. <u>Search what is available and apply here</u>.
- 6/2, JOB OPPORTUNITY! Intertribal Rights of Nature (IRON) is seeking to contract with a communications professional to support the intertribal Rights of Nature Campaign. <u>Applications</u> <u>due July/15th</u>.

Follow us on social media for events & updates!

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News & Updates

Big News in Indian Country!

- 7/1/21, The Ramaytush Ohlone announced the kick off of the Water Front Trail in partnership with the Exploratorium. The trail will be an upcoming series of abalone shell shaped kiosks starting at the Exploratorium and ending at Crissy Field that will serve as informational booths to recount aspects of Ramaytush Ohlone history and story as well as share information about the American Indian presence in "Yelamu" from history to present day.
- 6/29/21, SF Public Press spoke with AICD Board Member Morning Star Gali about the occupation of Alcatraz and its significance to the American Indian community, "Alcatraz was the spark that lit the fire of indigenous resistance." Read the article here.
- 6/22/21, After tireless advocacy from the Indigenous Education Coalition, Los Angeles Unified School District Dedicates \$10 Million to Native & Indigenous Student Education. <u>Read more here</u>.





COMMUNITY MEETINGS & EVENTS

- 7/6, 6:45pm: NAHC Chief Executive Officer Martin Waukazoo will throw the Ceremonial 1st pitch for <u>SE</u> <u>Giants Native American</u> <u>Heritage Night!</u>
- 7/11, 11am 4pm: Don't miss the <u>Indigenous Red</u> <u>Market</u> at 3124 International Blvd. Oakland, CA
- Join CCUIH as they support <u>#Run4SalmonTEACHWEEK</u>!! <u>More info here</u>.





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Indigenous History Month

Greetings Relatives,

- Happy Indigenous History Month and Pride Month! This month we are celebrating and honoring <u>LGBTQ+ and Two</u> <u>Spirit Indigenous</u> relatives!
- For Indigenous History Month AICD is seeking community input to assist in documenting and elevating American Indian organizations, businesses, cultural sites, and community leaders to increase visibility, raise awareness, celebrate, and honor our contributions and history in San Francisco. Take the Surveyhere.
- Congrats to SF Heritage for their 50 Year Anniversary! Since April, AICD has been partnering on the SF Heritage Social Media Campaign to boost American Indian visibility and history in San Francisco. See last months <u>posthere</u> and stay tuned this month for a post on the American Indian Historical Society.
- 6/15, AICD and health based American Indian organizations (CCUIH, FHAAI, NAHC) will meet with Department of Public Health leadership to discuss accurate data, reporting and developing a meaningful partnerships.
- Join AICD Board Member, Peter Bratt as he partners with <u>The BIG We</u> and <u>The Battery SF</u> on June 15th from 5 pm to 6:30 pm to celebrate Juneteenth to discuss what freedom looks like for all communities. <u>Register here</u>.
- Native & Vaccinated Pins Coming Soon!!

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News & Updates

Big News in Indian Country!

- 6/11/21, <u>Cafe Ohlone, the world's first and only Ohlone food</u> pop-up, is gearing up to reopen as a full-on restaurant at the UC Berkeley campus.
- 6/9/21, 'Keystone XL is dead!' The Keystone XL pipeline project is officially terminated, the sponsor company announced Wednesday. <u>Read more here in Indian Country Today.</u>
- <u>6/4/21</u>, <u>The International Indian Treaty Council (IITC)</u> joins the call for justice for the <u>Tkémlúps te Secwépemc</u> <u>Nation</u> (WARNING: Death/Boarding Schools)
- 5/30/21, AICD Board Member Morning Star Gali has been part of the Tribal organization, Save California Salmon and the ongoing initiative to protect clean water in SF for Indigenous peoples cultures, traditions, and ways of life. Read about it in the <u>SF Chronicle here</u>.

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COMMUNITY MEETINGS & EVENTS

- 6/14, 10am: NAHC Basket Weaving Workshop. Contact veronicash@nativehealth.org
- 6/18 & 6/25, 10am 2:30pm: Join SFUSD Indian Education Program, Title VI for a series of California Indian Traditional Cultural Arts Workshops. To register email floresp@sfusd.edu.
- 6/19, 1:30pm: Join <u>BAAITS</u>
 <u>Powwow</u> and <u>Frameline</u> for
 Pride Month. <u>Purchase your</u>
 <u>ticket here</u>.
- 6/29, 5:30 pm 7:30 pm: Powwow Dancing with Eddie Madrill Zoom Meeting ID: 565-487-5962 Passcode: nahc#2020
- 7/1, 1-3pm: CCUIH invites Native youth to a domestic violence prevention workshop. Contact <u>arianna@ccuih.org</u> for more info and <u>register here</u>.

CITY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- 6/15, 4pm: Everybody Reads Summer 2021. <u>Register here</u>.
- 6/28, 2:30pm: Beyond the Dream: Strategies to Advance Social Justice. <u>Register here</u>.
- Help shape SF's Housing Element Policies by taking the <u>General Plan Survey</u> and enter in a raffle for a \$50 gift card.



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May Greetings!

- For Asian Pacific Islander (API) Heritage Month AICD is participating in an interview with SFAC's Cultural Affairs Director, Ralph Remington to talk about solidarity against white supremacy and tokenism.
- 5/1, The San Francisco Urban Film Fest highlighted our event panel, Exploring the Urban American Indian Experience in Yelamu, from December on their blog. <u>Read here</u>.
- 4/29, What are the Spring Happenings for the Cultural Conservancy (TCC)? Read their <u>Newsletter here.</u>
- 4/27, AICD is partnering with SF Heritage on their Heritage Social Media Campaign to boost American Indian visibility and history in San Francisco. See their recent article on the Friendship House Association of American Indians.
- 4/23, AICD Board Member, Morning Star Gali guest presents on <u>Lady Don't Take No Podcast</u> to discuss COVID-19 and Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women.
- What is the Village Project? The Village is a social services, cultural & spiritual center envisioned by an inter-tribal coalition of Native American organizations, and led by the Friendship House. <u>Learn more here.</u>
- CCUIH introduces CalHOPERedLine to provide 24/7 services by our people for our people on topics such as COVID-19, food access, housing referrals, substance use and emotional support. Call 1-800-368-4090. <u>More info here.</u>

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What is MMIW?

Missing Murdered Indigenous Women

April 29th through May 5th was National Awareness Week for Missing Murdered Indigenous Women & Relatives (MMIWR) however, it is important to honor and remember our MMIWR every day.

- On 5/5 AICD partnered with AICC, RJIP, Native Women's Circle and several other City orgs to host a healing gathering at City Hall for MMIR. <u>Watch here</u> or <u>read</u> <u>about it here in Indian Country Today.</u>
- San Francisco is the number ten city for MMIW cases in the nation of the 71 cities that were investigated in the Urban Indian Health Institute's "Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls" report.
- <u>"Silent No More"</u> is a documentary that seeks to expose the epidemic of Missing and Murdered Indigenous women in the United States.
- Read Stacy Leeds article, <u>Left Speechless By Art That</u> <u>Speaks Volumes</u> for more on MMIW.



MAY 22ND 2021 1:30PM-4;30PM HUMMINGBIRD FARM, SAN FRANCISCO AICCSF.SQUARESPACE.COM AICCSANFRANCISCO@CMAIL.COM

COMMUNITY MEETINGS & EVENTS

 5/22, 1:30 - 4:30 pm: Join us for AICC's Spring Gathering at Hummingbird Farm with live music and food!



BIG NEWS IN INDIAN COUNTRY!

- 5/1, <u>Top 10 Indian Country</u> <u>Today stories here.</u>
- 3/23, AB 855 written by Assemblyman Ramos (Serrano/Cahuilla), was passed allowing paid holiday advances to state and local court employees in celebration of California Native American Day (CANAD) which is the 4th Thursday of September each year. This year NAD will be 11/24/21. <u>Read more here.</u>



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Welcome Spring.

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Community Voices: Preserving American Indian Culture in San Francisco



- 4/15, AICD Board Member Gregg Castro is speaking to SF Library Commission on a Ramaytush Ohlone Resolution, and sharing more about partnering on an American Indian info archival system, digitized resources, a physical space in the library, and assisting the community with research.
- 4/2, AICD co-authored SF Heritage's Community Voices Column for their Newsletter. <u>Read "Preserving American</u> <u>Indian Culture in San Francisco" here.</u>
- 3/31, AICD presented on a panel in partnership with SF Cultural Connection, Decolonizing Museum: Initiatives In California Museums And Cultural Centers. <u>Stream here.</u>
- 3/24, AICD partnered with SF Urban Film Fest on their Instagram Live to interview Crow Artist, Adam Sings In The Timber on Native tokenism, monuments, and his artwork. <u>Watch here.</u>
- AICD will be discussing arts, equity, multiculturalism, racial justice, and social justice with SF Arts Commission's Director of Cultural Affairs, Ralph Remington for Asian Pacific Islander (API) Heritage Month in May.
- Don't miss California Truth & Healing Council Northern Region Listening Session on Thursday, April 20th at 1 - 2 pm. <u>More info here.</u>
- In collaboration with our eight American Indian Sister Organizations, AICD will be sending a list of land, policy, and funding requests to the Mayor/BOS/HRC seeking equitable resource distribution and reparations for the Ramaytush and American Indian community. For more info read about our <u>Native Visibility Project here.</u>

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Blessings, The AICD Team



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News & Updates

Big News in Indian Country!

- 4/8/21, Fifth Circuit Court Keeps and Strikes Portions of Indian Child Welfare Act, <u>read here.</u>
- 3/23/21, Progressive City reviews AICD's discussion panel & watch party, "Exploring the American Urban Experience in Yelamu." <u>Read here</u>.

In Loving Memory of Helen Waukazoo

We admire and respect Heler's visionary leadership that paved the way for generations of American Indian families to find healing. The American Indian Cultural District will continue to learn from her leadership and keep her family and loved ones in our thoughts and our prayers. A community memorial will be held on April 14th via zoom to honor Helen. Info here.







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COMMUNITY MEETINGS & EVENTS

 4/22, 5 pm: SF Environment's Annual Earth Day Celebration will be honoring and recognizing AICD Executive Director, Sharaya Souza, for her leadership in the City. <u>More info & free</u> registration here.



RED LIGHTNING WOMEN'S SONG GROUP





CITY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- San Francisco rolls out a guaranteed income program giving artists \$1,000 a month. Application deadline is April 15. Apply here.
- Join AICC/AICD/CCUIH on 4/17 from 12 - 2 pm as we will be tabling at the <u>Stand</u> <u>Together SF's Campaign for</u> <u>Solidarity</u> event. Grab a mask and head to the Civic Center!

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Honor Native Women!

- We want to take a moment to honor our beloved community member Janet King. Her dedication, kindness, humor & fierceness touched & inspired so many lives. Her spirit lives on through those still with us & we want to honor her legacy & all the amazing Native women in our lives & community. See more about our campaign here.
- 2/18, AICD partnered with the SF Urban Film Fest on a panel: <u>Exploring the Urban American Indian Experience in</u> <u>Yelamu</u>
- To fight decades of Native erasure we have been busy with a Native Visibility Campaign. Our most recent data find puts American Indians at 1.1% of the SF population versus .3% reflected in the most recent Mayor's Budget. Read about AI <u>Data Genocide</u> <u>here</u>.
- AICD is partnering with the Planning Department to start our first Historical Context Statement & preserve American Indian cultural heritage sites in SF.
- <u>The Native American Health Center</u> (NAHC) has FREE COVID-19 walk up testing at 3050 International Blvd. Oakland, CA 94601. Call: Call (510) 535 - 4400.
- FREE FOOD DELIVERY! Pantry at Home Delivery Service eligibility: 65+ years, health disparity, or disability. For more info call: 628-272-8430.

Follow us on social media for events & updates!

Blessings, The AICD Team



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News & Updates

Big News in Indian Country!

- 3/1/21, The Village Project will provide access to more than half a dozen American Indian social services and will serve as a community hub in our Cultural District in 2025. Fundraising has begun! <u>More here</u>.
- 2/27/21, Indigenous Leaders in California Fear COVID Deaths Are Going Undercounted

Job Opportunities!

- 3/9, The Community Ambassadors Program (CAP) is a community safety and neighborhood engagement job training program for low income folks. <u>More here.</u>
- 3/4/21, NAHC is hiring a <u>Site Operations Manager</u>!
- 3/3/21, The California Consortium for Urban Indian Health (CCUIH) is hiring a COVID-19 <u>Public Health</u> <u>Coordinator!</u>
- 2/3/21, The American Indian Cultural Center (AICC) is hiring a <u>Social Media Coordinator</u> & <u>Program</u> <u>Associate.</u>









COMMUNITY MEETING & EVENTS

- 3/17/21, 8 9:30 am: Join the International Indian Treaty Council Rights for Indigenous Peoples on the Situation of Indigenous Peoples living in Urban Areas. <u>Register here</u>.
- 3/31/21, 7 9 pm: Join NAHC for their Youth Lead Interconnectedness event! <u>More here.</u>

CITY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- 3/17, 6 7:30 pm: Planning Department's Environmental Justice Framework Workshop. <u>Register here</u>.
- 3/19, 12:30 2 pm: #SFClimateAction Plan Final community workshops. <u>Register here</u>.
- 3/24, 6 7 pm: Planning Department's Racial & Social Equity Plan. <u>Register here.</u>

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- We want to hear from you! Take the Cultural District <u>Mural Survey</u>
- We will be handing out free masks (with the AICD Logo) created by Native artists, Betty Trujillo & Kim Shuck, stay tuned!

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

- Locate food pantries near you <u>here</u>.
- Some rental evictions delayed to April. <u>Read here.</u>
- Dolores Street Services: <u>Housing & Shelter Initiatives</u>
- 30% Right Now Coalition is advocating for SRO and low income housing to be affordable and accessible.
 Find out more about the #30RightNow Coalition here.

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Our hearts are with you this month! February's highlights:

- American Indian Cultural District will partner with the San Francisco Urban Film Fest to host a FREE watch party & panel discussion February 18th at 5:30 pm (PT): Exploring the Urban American Indian Experience in Yelamu. <u>Register here.</u>
- 2/1/21, The Commission on the Environment consulted with the Ramaytush Ohlone & AICD on a Land Acknowledgment Resolution that commits to tribal consultation & recognizing Traditional Ecological Knowledge. <u>Read here</u>.
- 1/26/21, SFUSD passed Indian Education's Resolution which includes reparations on: land acknowledgement, funding for an Indian Ed position, removal of racist imagery, & Native languages as part of AG requirements. <u>Read here</u>.
- The American Indian Cultural Center (AICC) is hiring a Program Associate & Social Media Coordinator. <u>More info here.</u>
- The Native American Health Center (NAHC) established a new COVID19 Vaccine Program for Native elders (65+) & essential workers. For more info call (510) 485-5960.
- Mission Food Hub's 2021 Schedule: Mondays 1 pm Wednesdays & Fridays 10 am at 701 Alabama Street San Francisco, CA 94110. <u>More info here</u>.

Follow us on social media for events & updates!

Blessings, The AICD Team

News & Updates

Big News in Indian Country!

- 2/5/21, Find recent COVID-19 Statistics for our community and others here: <u>COVID Deadlier for Native Americans Than</u> <u>Other Groups</u>.
- 1/27/21, <u>President Biden focuses on strengthening</u> <u>Nation to Nation relationships with Tribal Nations</u>. Read his Presidential Memorandum <u>here.</u>

American Indian Cultural District News

- 2/4/21, <u>S.F.'s Cultural Hub for Urban Native Americans</u>: The Village will be a 'physical, cultural, and spiritual nexus of community services' in the heart of the San Francisco American Indian Cultural District. Stay up to date on the <u>Village Project here</u>.
- 1/18/21, AICD Board Member, Morning Star Gali joins Emerge California, a group paving the way for underrepresented women in the political realm. <u>Read here</u>.

COMMUNITY MEETING & EVENTS

- 2/12/21, 10 11:30 am: Join the International Indian Treaty Council for Protecting and Restoring our Traditional Food- and Ecosystems: <u>More info here</u>.
- 2/12/21, 4 6 pm: Join AICC for their entrepreneurial skill set classes on virtual online businesses. <u>More info here.</u>
- The NAHC is hosting an 8 week virtual Youth Suicide Prevention Campaign. <u>More</u> info here & on <u>Facebook</u>.
- If you missed BAAITS Powwow this year you can watch it on <u>youtube</u>.
- Mondays from 5:30 7 pm, join Red Lightening Women's Singing Circle where women of all ages can connect & heal through song & dance. <u>More info here</u>.
- Thursdays at 12 pm NAHC is doing a virtual book reading. <u>More info here</u>.

CITY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- The Planning Department is hiring for the Citywide Cultural Resources Survey Project. Let's get Natives in City roles: <u>Apply here</u>.
- The HRC is seeking new members for their LGBTQI+ Advisory Committee.
 DEADLINE Wednesday 2/17/21 @ 5 pm. <u>Apply here.</u>
- Be heard, find more info on local Public Meetings <u>here</u>.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

 We want to hear from you! Take the Cultural District Logo Survey (closes 2/15) & Mural Survey

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Monthly Community Newsletter

Happy New Year! 🗧

Welcome to the American Indian Cultural District's first official Monthly Newsletter!

Stay informed on City updates, local urban Indian news, Indian Country, and the latest happening with the American Indian Cultural District. We plan to share community resources for community wellness, local community events and more.

We are here to serve and honor the Native community and we want to hear from you every step of the way! Stay tuned for all our local engagement opportunities!

News & Updates

Big News in Indian Country!

- The State Of California Tribal Affairs Annual Report for 2020 includes information on: Tribal Consultation, the Census, Land Use, Cultural Heritage & Expression, Emergency Response and more. <u>Read</u> <u>here</u>.
- <u>Executive Order N-15-19</u>: Stay up to date on the Truth and Healing Council meeting times and <u>more</u> <u>here</u>.
- The 117th U.S. Congress includes a record number of six Indigenous Congress members. <u>Read here</u>.
- Rep. Deb Haaland is poised to become the first Native American to lead a Cabinet agency. <u>Read here</u>.
- <u>H.Res.1264</u>: Resolution recognizing that the United States was originally inhabited by Indigenous peoples.

American Indian Cultural District News

Two of our Cultural District's recent victories and initiatives highlighted in the San Francisco Examiner and an upcoming community project was discussed in the Guardian:

- 12/31/20, <u>Native American hub planned for Mission</u> <u>District</u>
- 12/8/20, <u>Supes to Acknowledge Ramaytush Ohlone</u> <u>at Every Meeting</u>.
- 11/30/20, <u>AICD expanding to include Dolores Park</u>

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AICD MEETING & EVENTS

- TBA, Mid-January: Community Town Hall Cultural Heritage Housing Economic Sustainability Strategy (CHHESS) Report Information Session
- Stay tuned to our <u>website</u> <u>event page</u> for more information
 - CITY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES
- 01/14/21, 5:30 6:30 pm: Climate Action Plan FREE webinar. <u>Register here</u> & take the <u>Climate Action Plan</u> <u>Survey here</u>.
- Find more info on local Public Meetings <u>here</u>.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- We want to hear from you! Take the Cultural District Logo Survey & Mural Survey
- Join our <u>Facebook group</u>, invite your friends, and follow us on <u>Twitter</u> to stay informed and involved!
- Visit our website to meet our <u>Staff & Board Members</u>, find <u>COVID-19 Resources</u>, learn about our <u>Indigenize Project</u> & our other initiatives.



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