

SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY



Sko:magi Maşad "Gray Month" / Xly'a Shaxuk Mayk Xvik "Twelfth Moon" (December)

DECEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the December Edition of the SRPMIC Monthly Newsletter!

As the year comes to a close, we take a moment to celebrate the accomplishments, gatherings, and programs that continue to strengthen our Community. This month's issue highlights the events and initiatives that demonstrate SRPMIC's ongoing commitment to service and stewardship.

Thank you for staying connected, engaged, and involved as we close out 2025 together. We look ahead with excitement to 2026 with appreciation for who we are as a Community, the Onk Akimel O'odham and the Xalychidom Piipaash, and the progress that continues across the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

Community Highlights



A Tribute to SRPMIC Veterans

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community hosted a combined Veteran's Recognition Celebration honoring both Community Members and SRPMIC employees who have served in the United States Armed Forces. The event expressed gratitude for the dedication, sacrifice, and continued contributions of our Veterans to both our Country and our Community.

During the program, Community Manager Bryan Meyers read the Veteran's Military Birthday Proclamation, approved by the Community Council on October 22, 2025. The proclamation further affirms SRPMIC's commitment to recognizing and honoring our Veterans throughout the year.

We extend our deepest appreciation to all Community and Employee Veterans. Thank you for your service.

Special thanks to SRPMIC Veterans Services for coordinating this meaningful celebration.

To learn more about Salt River Veterans Services and the programs they offer, please visit:

Veterans Services: www.srpmic-nsn.gov/Community/Veterans/



Community Thanksgiving Celebration

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community gathered for the annual Community Thanksgiving Celebration at the Two Waters Courtyard, bringing families and friends together for an afternoon of food, fun, and community connection. Attendees enjoyed a traditional turkey dinner with pumpkin pie, followed by lively entertainment throughout the event.

This year's celebration featured a spirited Turkey Calling Competition, family bingo coordinated by the Young River People's Council, and live music and dancing with D Faktion Nyne.

Thank you all for joining us at this year's Community Thanksgiving event! We look forward to seeing you at the [Community Christmas Program](#) on December 6.



Announcements

Stay Updated with Community Notices!

Looking for important updates? The SRPMIC Announcements page is your go-to source for notices on public meetings, service closures, health alerts, safety tips, and more.

SRPMIC Holiday Office Closures:

- **Thursday, December 25 & Friday, December 26 - Christmas Holiday**
Essential Services Will Remain Operational.
- **Thursday, January 1 - New Year's Day**
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[View All Announcements](#)



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Meet River & Rainn, Your Public Health Ambassadors!

Meet Rainn, River and Blu, SRPMIC Public Health's kid-friendly Ambassadors who help families learn healthy habits in a fun and engaging way. Their short videos cover topics like hand washing, safety tips, vaccines, and more to support wellness across our Community.

[Learn more and watch their videos](#)

New Year's Eve Wristband Sales

The Salt River Community Children's Foundation is selling New Year's Eve 2026 Midway Wristbands for \$5 each. Cash and debit are accepted.

A special Buy 3, Get 1 Free offer is available while supplies last, courtesy of Messinger Mortuaries. Wristbands are required for all riders. Rain or shine. All sales are final.

Basic Wildland Training Opportunity

Community Employment is offering a 40-hour Basic Wildland Training program for aspiring wildland firefighters. Participants will gain foundational skills through classroom instruction and hands-on field exercises, and those who successfully complete the program will receive certification and a monetary award.

[More information](#)

This opportunity is open to enrolled SRPMIC Members ages 18–24 with a high school diploma or GED. Applications open December 3 and are due December 19 by 4 PM.

[View full details](#)

Winter SRPMIC Activity Guide Now Available

The SRPMIC Winter Activity Guide is now available, featuring a full season of programs, events, and activities for Community Members of all ages. Inside, you'll find youth programs, cultural activities, senior offerings, special events, and opportunities across Community Recreational Services, the Boys & Girls Club, Tribal Library, and more.

Whether you're looking for winter break camps, after-school programs, family events, or fitness activities, the guide provides everything you need to plan the season.

[View the full Activity Guide](#)

Upcoming Events

December is filled with festive opportunities to gather, celebrate and enjoy the season with the Community. This month's events include the Community Christmas Program, the Holiday Light Parade, and the New Year's Eve Celebration

View the full calendar to see everything happening throughout the season.

[Calendar of Events](#)



Community Christmas Program

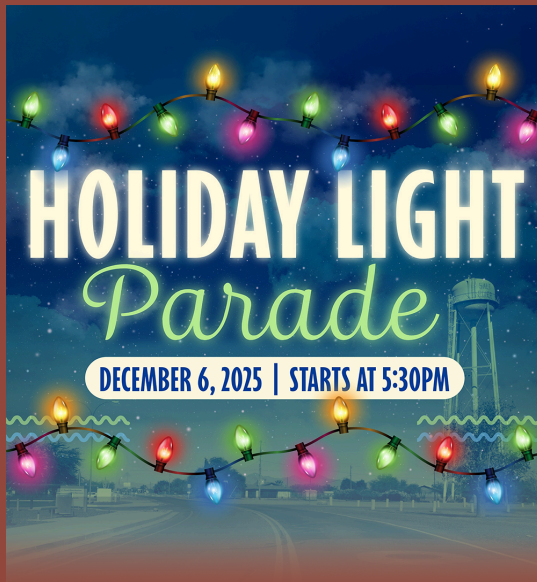
Saturday, December 6, 2025

12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Two Waters Courtyard

Join us for the annual Community Christmas Program! Enjoy the festive holiday entertainment, treats, vendor booths, photos with Santa Claus, the Huhugam Ki: Museum Gingerbread House Contest, and the Senior Holiday Bingo. Bring the family out for an afternoon of celebration with our Community.

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Holiday Light Parade

Saturday, December 6, 2025

Parade starts at 5:30 p.m.

Longmore Road - Between Salt River Ballfield & Two Waters Complex

Continue the holiday fun at the 2025 Holiday Light Parade! The parade will travel north on Longmore Road, starting at the Salt River Baseball Field and ending at the Two Waters Complex. Enjoy festive floats, sparkling lights, and cheerful holiday displays as the Community celebrates together.

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New Year's Eve Celebration & Pie Giveaway

Wednesday, December 31, 2025
Salt River Ballfield • Salt River
Community Building

Celebrate the end of 2025 with a full day of Community festivities! Start the morning with the Community Member New Year's Eve Pie Giveaway at the Salt River Ballfield at 10:00 a.m. (while supplies last; SRPMIC Tribal ID required), then enjoy an afternoon and evening filled with carnival rides, vendor booths, arts and crafts, family activities, and live music from DJ Reflekshin and Molina Music during the SRPMIC New Year's Eve Celebration. The night wraps up SRPMIC-style with a midnight fireworks show and balloon drop to welcome 2026.

**Dates, times, and locations, are subject to change or cancellations.*

District & Council Meetings

Community voices matter! For the latest on District and Council meetings, including dates, times, and agenda topics — visit our website.

[Meeting Updates & Agendas](#)

Board & Committee Vacancies



BOARD VACANCIES

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APPLICATION DEADLINE

December 31, 2025

SRPMIC is seeking Community Members to serve on several Boards and Committees. Serving in these roles is an opportunity to support Community decision-making, provide guidance, and help strengthen departmental and enterprise operations.

Current vacancies include positions on the Education Board, Gaming Enterprise Board, Gaming Regulatory Board, Miss Salt River Committee, Phoenix Cement Company Board, Salt River Community Children's Foundation, and the Salt River Golf Enterprise Board.

Applications can be picked up or submitted through the Administration Office.

[View vacancies and application details](#)

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