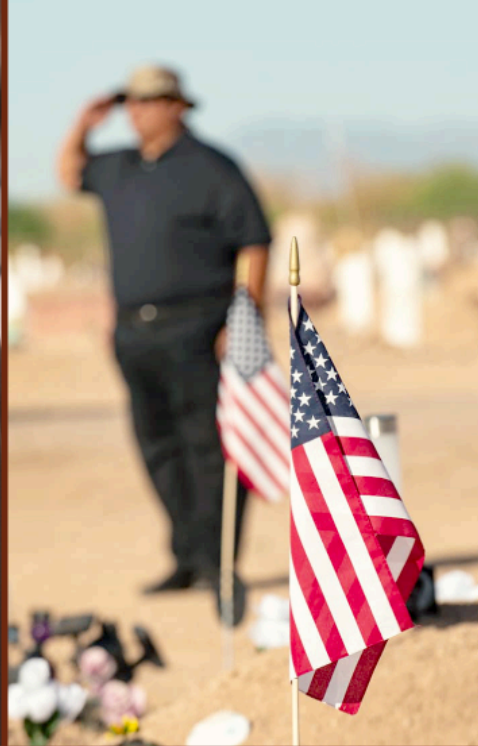


SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY



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MAY 2026 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the May Edition of the SRPMIC Monthly Newsletter!

As we head into May and the summer season approaches, we look forward to a month filled with opportunities to gather, celebrate and reflect. This month, we honor the accomplishments of our graduates, recognize Missing and Murdered Indigenous People Awareness Month, and pause in remembrance of those who have served and sacrificed on Memorial Day. As you take part in events and activities throughout the Community, please remember to stay safe in the heat while out and about.

Community Highlights



Echoes of Akimel Mural Festival

Seven brand new murals were created this year during the return of the Echoes of Akimel festival! Ten celebrated indigenous artists guided youth from the Community in spray-painting these beautiful additions to locations across the SRPMIC. This year brought a new tradition: a fashion show where young designers could showcase their work.

[Read the Full Story Here](#)



Spring Piipaash Matasheevm

The 9th Annual Piipaash Matasheevm was held in Lehi, bringing the Community together for two days of celebration, remembrance and tradition. The spring gathering honored the teachings and legacy of those who came before, with special recognition for elders and veterans through heartfelt speeches and plaques. Attendees also enjoyed singing and dancing and appearances from special guests, making the event a meaningful celebration of culture and community.

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Announcements

Stay Updated with Community Alerts!

The SRPMIC Announcements page is your source for important notices, including road closures, health alerts, safety tips, and other timely updates.

SRPMIC Offices will be closed for Memorial Day Monday, May 25, 2026

Essential Services Will Remain Operational.

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Tribal Transportation Safety Plan (TTSP)

SRPMIC is working on identifying and implementing transportation safety solutions and we need your help! We'll be improving on previous strategies, developing effective crash countermeasures, and figuring out which projects are a higher priority to the Community so those can be worked on first. Learn more about the study and provide your input at the link below.

More Information

Memorial Day Flag Planting

Assist the Veteran Services office in honoring warriors who lost their lives in service to our country. Plant American flags on the graves of our veterans while connecting with the Community. Join this opportunity and pay respect to those that made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.

[More Information](#)

Tips for Fire Prevention

We're in wildfire season, and it's only going to get hotter and drier from here. If you haven't already, now's the time to create defensible space around your home to keep yourself and your loved ones safe. Learn more about how to do so and what weeds to watch out for so you can start today!

[More Information](#)

Upcoming Events

May brings many opportunities to connect, celebrate, and take part in Community events. Below are a few featured gatherings to take a look at. Check out the full calendar for more events occurring in our Community.

Calendar of Events



Kavaj / Kushov Cultural Center Grand Opening

Saturday, May 2, 2026

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Kavaj/Kushov Cultural Center

Join the Cultural Resources Department as they welcome the public to view their new office space and cultural campus. There will be many activities, from tours to vendors to social dancing!

[View Event Info](#)

Missing & Murdered Indigenous People Awareness Day

Tuesday, May 5, 2026

8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

*Two Waters Amphitheater and ALA
Football Field*

Help us raise awareness by participating in our events. Bring your photos and/or other remembrances to the Red Wrap. Participate in a Walk of Remembrance and check out information about lost loved ones at Light Up The Night.



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American Indian Convocation for Maricopa Community Colleges Graduates

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Salt River Fields at Talking Stick

SRPMIC will be hosting the American Indian Convocation with support from Gila River Indian Community, Tohono O'odham Nation, and Ak-Chin Indian Community. All are welcome to attend!

Memorial Day Ceremony

Monday, May 25, 2026

7:00 a.m.

Lehi Cemetery

Pay homage to the brave people who gave their lives while serving in the U.S. armed forces. Join us first at the cemetery, then head to the Lehi Community Center for a reception where those from the Community can share their stories and photos.



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

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