

Invitation to Submit a Summit Proposal for Speakers



3rd Annual Domestic Violence Awareness Month Summit
“Positive Impacts for Victims”
TUESDAY OCTOBER 29, 2019
9 AM – 1 PM

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A Brief History

Tribal communities all over the U.S. face family struggles and our Isleta community is not excluded. American Indians often face a complexity of struggles including but not limited to, social and cultural pressures, financial struggles, isolation, and physical/emotional and mental abuse and neglect which often plagues the Native communities.

Isleta K'ea Wah Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Program and Isleta Social Services in joint efforts with Isleta Victim Services Program, Isleta Governor's Office, and Isleta Recreation Center have created a single day summit to bring awareness to our community on the topic of Domestic Violence and the lasting impacts on our families and the greater community. This will be our 3rd annual summit geared toward bringing awareness of the impacts of domestic violence.

Dedicated to Positive Impacts

This summit dedicates itself to bringing together members of the community, tribal leaders, various department professionals, and others who care about making lasting positive impacts on the lives of survivors and their families. It is an opportunity to foster collaboration and support systems to begin a journey to healing for individual victims and all those impacted by acts of domestic violence.

This summit is committed to inviting all members in the community to instill a strong sense of support, ownership, and pride. We encourage all members to attend as Domestic Violence impacts those directly and indirectly involved.

Positive Impacts for Victims Summit Values

At the Pueblo of Isleta Domestic Violence Awareness Summit, we believe in creating a system of supports that will collaborate efforts to raise community awareness of the many impacts that individuals, families, and children face when involved with domestic violence. We believe that our community members do not face domestic violence alone and should never feel they do not have community support. Our planning committee consists of various leaders in the field including those from Isleta K'ea Wah Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Program, Isleta Social Services, Isleta Victim Services Program, Mental and Physical Wellbeing establishments, and backed by the support of the Governor's office who all work together to help curate an exceptional experience for our summit participants.

Learning is the first step in the healing process that leads to healthier families and stronger communities. Communication in families and communities is essential as well as, seeking and receiving support services to prevent and halt many of the domestic abuse behaviors and situations. Everyone can learn to change—no one is beyond hope's reach for a better tomorrow.

Seeking Speakers

The planning committee is seeking inspiring and motivational speakers to attend and inform our community of their expertise in the following topics:

Topics for 2019:

- What is Domestic Violence and What are the Impacts
- Trauma Impacts of Domestic Violence for Children
- How Domestic Violence Impacts the Workplace
- Healthy Relationships
- Empowering Youth to Make Healthy Relationship Choices
- Importance of Mental and Physical Wellbeing
- Community Support Systems
- How to correctly apply for and complete a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) to protect victims of domestic violence from further exposure and repeated trauma.
- Intimate Partner Violence in the LGBTQ Community
- How to Build Resiliency
- How to Deescalate a High Risk Situation
- What to do if you Suspect Abuse
- Open to Other Proposals

Criteria for Speakers

Engaging: To be a part of the “Positive Impacts for Victims” Summit, you should be an experienced, inspiring and innovative speaker that captures and connects with your audience.

Applicable: Each session should do more than merely state what your organization does but should be applicable and relevant to the Native population. There should be some type of takeaway that the participants and the community can use readily.

Authentic: We believe that stories are the foundation of our work and sharing your experiences should be sensitive to and reflect those impacted by domestic violence.

Types of Speakers Needed

Professionals in the field who can share their work and/or personal stories in a quick and engaging talk. Being able to share personal stories of trials and revealing moments in your journey to find peace and healing is not a requirement but a way of connecting with the audience. Informational speakers to provide tools for learning, growing, and healing. Motivational speakers to engage and inspire the community members to build a new pathway to healthy relationships with intimate partners, their children, families, and community.

Our Honor and Privilege

It is our honor and privilege to invite you to participate in this “Positive Impacts for Survivors” Summit. We believe that your contribution to this field is unparalleled and the information you choose to share with us will be of great benefit to individuals, families, and the greater community.

We look forward to a positive confirmation, an honor for us indeed. Kindly RSVP with your desired topic to speak on and if you would also like to be provided a space/table in the resource fair.

**We ask that you kindly respond with interest no later than
September 11, 2019.**

For more information or submission please contact

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Summit Made Possible By:

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