



November 2020

The History of Native American Heritage Month

On Dec. 14, 1915, Red Fox James, a Blackfeet Indian, presented at the White House endorsements from 24 state governments for a day to honor Indians. But the federal government didn't take action until 1983, when President Ronald Reagan proclaimed May 13 as American Indian Day. In 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed a joint congressional resolution designating November as National American Indian Heritage Month. It is now called National Native American Heritage Month.

A banner featuring a vibrant, repeating geometric pattern of zig-zags and chevrons in red, yellow, green, blue, and white. The pattern is set against a dark background. In the upper left corner, there is a black rectangular box containing the text "NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH" in yellow and green.

**NATIVE
AMERICAN**
HERITAGE MONTH

Did you know?



NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

- ❑ Historians believe between 10 -12 million Indigenous people lived north of the Rio Grande (North America) prior to 1492.
- ❑ There are 573 federally recognized tribes. Approximately 229 of these ethnically, culturally and linguistically diverse nations are located in Alaska; the other federally recognized tribes are located in 35 other states. Additionally, there are state recognized tribes located throughout the United States recognized by their respective state governments.
- ❑ Today, there are nearly 6.79 million Native Americans in the US.



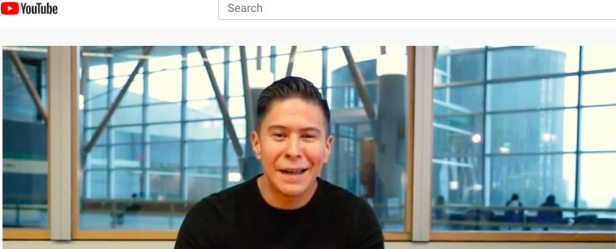
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- ❑ There are 139 students in SRVUSD who identify as Native or Indigenous.
- ❑ The Museum of the San Ramon Valley has a California's First People: Indian Life Program with in-person exhibits and learning resources. They have transitioned their content to be available virtually during COVID. Check them out!



Hownikan Podcast

Hownikan Podcast features all things Citizen Potawatomi Nation. Whether it is an in-depth look at a cultural tradition, a one-on-one conversation with a Tribal artist or a behind



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4) Most people categorize Native peoples as one of the "minority" or "under-represented" cultural groups in the US but tribal nations are the only ones with nationhood status.

We've been making treaties and legal agreements with other nations for hundreds of years.

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Ancestral Voices Roundtable



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3:00 PM