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PIT RIVER TRIBAL HOUSING

SERVING PIT RIVER TRIBE SINCE 2005

LOOKOUT RANCHERIA

New Basic Home Owner









Carol Moore and her family received keys to their new home on February 17, 2022. Many were in attendance when the Moore family received their home to include, Angel Winn, Housing Chairman, Damion Stedman, Housing Commissioner, Agnes Gonzales, Pit River Tribe Chairwoman, Housing Staff, and Housing Construction Crew. Eddie Velasco, Housing Construction Supervisor gave Carol Moore and her family the key to their new home.





PIT RIVER TRIBAL HOUSING PROGRAMS

BASIC HOMEOWNERSHIP

The Basic Homeownership program is for Tribal Members who reside on Tribal Land Assignments. Through a Tri-Party Agreement with Pit River Tribe; eligible Tribal members maybe be able to have a home built on their land assignment. Under this program PRTHB will build homes within the 100 mile square on a Tribal Land Assignment.

All applications must be complete and all <u>documentation including land control i.e. land</u> <u>assignment</u> must be attached to be eligible. If you have received Housing services within the last 7 years you are not eligible. Pit River Tribal Housing will post open and close dates for this application. Applications must be updated annually to remain active.

Applicants can not have a current home in standard living condition on their land assignment.









WIYACHI VILLAGE

BURNEY, CALIFORNIA

Wiyachi Village is for Elder Pit River Tribal Members. This complex has 18 units, each unit has two bedrooms, one bath and a garage. The Wiyachi Village units are designed for elderly disabled individuals, with walk in showers, grab bars, and wide hallways and door openings. These units are well insulated, some units have solar panels depending on the location of the building and sun coverage. Pit River Health's Senior Nutrition is centralized within the Village where Elders can have a nutritional lunch at the Elders Center.

Applicants must be 55 years or older to be eligible.
Applications must updated annually to remain active.

XL FAMILY/ELDER HOUSING

ALTURAS, CALIFORNIA

XL Elder and Family homes are managed under the XL Subdivision rental program through Pit River Tribal Housing Board. Occupied at this time are 4 Elder homes and 4 family homes. One rental is currently under rehabilitation and will be made available as soon as the home is completely rehabilitated. Applications available on our website or you can call our office to have one mailed to you.

Applications must be updated annually to remain active.

Elder Housing: Applicants must be 55 years or older to be eligible.



PIT RIVER TRIBAL HOUSING PROGRAMS

BIA HIP

The BIA HIP program is a Tribal program. The Pit River Tribal Housing only assists in administering applications. The Housing Improvement Program is a home repair, renovation, replacement and/or new housing grant program. HIP serves the low income Tribal Members who have substandard housing or no housing. HIP funding is only received once a year. Please be advised, Pit River Tribe and Pit River Tribal Housing does not determine who receives funding. Application approvals will be made by the Bureau of Indians Affairs.

Please note; that all applicants applying for BIA HIP funds are competing for funds with other tribes nationwide. Applications must be updated annually to remain active.

REHABILITATION

PRTHB recognizes the need to rehabilitation homes and to address the most serious and detrimental housing conditions of the Pit River People. The goal is to attain decent, safe and sanitary living conditions and improve the quality of life of its members, and provide assistance to those members at the greatest risk to health and safety because of their housing conditions and environment.

Please be advised homeowners are responsible for the maintenance of their homes. PRTHB cannot provide maintenance services; regular maintenance is the responsibility of the homeowner, this includes but not limited to broken windows, painting, cosmetic repairs, septic tank pumping, and normal maintenance repairs, etc.

You can only receive services once every 7 years.

DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE

FOR FIRST TIME HOMEBUYERS

This program is now available. Eligible applicants could receive up to \$20,000 towards the down payment and closing cost of the purchase of a home on fee land. Down Payment Assistance grant is available for use only once in a lifetime. Applicant must qualify as a low income family, first time homebuyer, have obtained a prequalification letter from a lender and no outstanding balances due to the Pit River Tribal Housing or the Pit River Tribe. Pit River Tribal Housing will grant two or three per year.

2022 Median Family Income \$90,000

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Person	Persons	Persons	Persons	Persons	Persons	Persons	Persons
80%	\$50,400	\$57,600	\$64,800	\$72,000	\$77,800	\$83,600	\$89,300	\$95,100
100%	\$63,000	\$72,000	\$81,000	\$90,000	\$97,200	\$104,400	\$111,600	\$118,800

WHERE TO FIND APPLICATIONS FOR PIT RIVER TRIBAL HOUSING PROGRAMS

PLEASE BE ADVISED; IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICANT TO KEEP THEIR APPLICATION CURRENT AND UPDATED.

Eligible individuals, family and Elder Pit River Tribal members are encouraged to apply. Please call our office at (530) 335-4809 to have an application mailed to you. Applications are also available at the PRTHB Office; or on our website www.prthousing.com. Should you have questions on the eligibility requirements or about the application please contact the PRTHB office.



CHANGING LIVES ONE HOME AT A TIME SINCE 2005

OUR EMPLOYEES

Allen Lowry, Housing Coordinator
Since 2005

Marvena Harris, Housing MangerSince 2005

Celena Bennett, Bookkeeper
Since 2005

Marisa James, Office Assistant/HR
Since 2021

Eddie Velasco, Force Account Foreman
Since 2005

Evie Delatorre, Force Account
Since 2006

Anthony George, Force Account/Driver
Since 2007

Ron Gali, XL Essential Person
Since 2009

Warren Quinn, Force Account
Since 2016

Lincoln Granillo, Force Account/Driver
Since 2017

WinterHawk Granillo, Essential Person
Since 2018

James Mercado, Force Account
Since 2020

Darriec Preston, Force AccountSince 2021

Randy McMullen, Security
Since 2021

Kanaan Walters, Security
Since 2022

Andrea Wilson, Security
Since 2022

Chance Flores, Force Account
Since 2022



GET TO KNOW OUR STAFF



My Name is Celena Bennett, I have worked for the Pit River Tribe since 1999 starting at the Pit River Casino. I began working with the Tribes Department of Justice a few years later, once that program ended I transferred to the Tribal Office as their mail clerk. I interviewed with Allen and Marvena in 2005 and began working at the Pit River Tribal Housing as their Bookkeeper. I've been married for 19 years and we have 5 children and 8 beautiful grandchildren ranging from the ages of 1 to 12 years old. I am extremely family and friend oriented and love the outdoors. I am blessed to have been part of Pit River for 23 years and have met some wonderful people who will always be a part of my life.



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PIT RIVER TRIBAL HOUSING BOARD MEMBERS



Angel Winn Commissioner Madesi Housing Board Since 2010



Sierra Cabral-Villa Vice Chairwoman Madesi Housing Board Since 2021



Angela Diaz Secretary/ Treasurer Ajumawi Housing Board Since 2012



Ronnette Potts Commissioner Madesi Housing Board Since 2018



Andy James
Commissioner
Ajumawi
Housing Board in
2011 & Since 2015



William Gabellas Sr Commissioner Atsugewi Housing Board in 2007-2012 & Since 2017



Damion Stedman Commissioner Madesi Housing Board Since 2021

"A Leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way"

John C. Maxwell

GET TO KNOW YOUR HOUSING BOARD MEMBERS



Hello fellow tribal members. Wishing all the best during this year and years to come. It is an honor to serve on the Pit RiverTribal Housing Board. Developing and budgeting free housing programs has always been my belief as a board member. It is the battle at times but worth the effort. Stay safe and healthy.

Respectfully,

Angel Winn, Chairman



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN WINN

Hello again Pit River Tribal Members. This message is about Pit River Tribal Housing Board programs and Housing needs. The funding for NAHADSA 2022 grant was received in April of this year, well into the second quarter of our fiscal cycle. Construction of new homes, Down Payment Assistance, Rehabilitation, Rentals, and Free elder rentals in Alturas and Wiyachi Village take up a lot of our budget along with Administration. Housing has also received \$860,00.00 as a Covid Relief Grant. PRTHB applied for this funding in November 2021. The board brain stormed and prioritized activities for these funds which will include additional construction of more homes to alleviate homelessness and over crowding, a community emergency building in Alturas and PPE items will be offered. One of the constraints the PRTHB face include a bridge to the 79 acres and funding. Another constraint is waiting for existing land to go into trust that the tribe has purchased. Infrastructure, planning, working together with Tribal Council, Roads Department and other Tribal Entities is vital and crucial for construction and development to move forward for the future.

As we all know the COVID pandemic has been a real hindrance. Lock downs, masks, shots, a sickness that has affected our lives in one way or another, be safe and stay healthy. A roof over your head and a place to call home with running water and sanitary living conditions is the goal, all policies and actions taken is by the majority vote of the board. Thank you.

BASIC HOMEOWNERSHIP CONSTRUCTION STARTS











Esparanza Fabela is a recipient under the Basic Homeownership Program and was selected to receive a home on Lot 14 in Alturas on the XL Reservation. Covid set this project back however, the Pit River Housing Construction crew is hard at work in building her home as quickly as possible.

ARP FUNDING

Pit River Tribal Housing received ARP funding related to Covid. Pit River Tribal Housing will be building 1 - 3 homes within the Ancestral Boundaries. Also PRTHB will be providing air purifiers and other PPE items for tribal members and an Emergency Service Building will be constructed on the XL Reservation. Please visit our website or call our office on how to apply for these services, flyers will be posted at tribal entities once programs are ready for the application process.



IN THE SPOT LIGHT



McKinley McPherson, a former Wiyachi Village tenants grand-daughter who visited every summer with her grandparents, will be attending UC Santa Barbara in the fall to study Pre-Med Biology. She wants to become a surgeon.



Precious Wilson graduated from Humboldt University with a Bachelors Art Degree Social Work.

Christopher Villarreal a former Pit River Tribal Housing Board member graduated from Humboldt University with a Bachelor of Science Forester Hydrology.

If you know someone you would like to see in our newsletter please contact our office.

SERVICE AREA

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SHASTA COUNTY ~ MODOC COUNTY ~ LASSEN COUNTY ~ SISKIYOU COUNTY

PIT RIVER TRIBE TRUST LAND

XL (ALTURAS) ~ BURNEY ~ LIKELY ~ LOOKOUT ~ ROARING CREEK ~ MONTGOMERY CREEK ~ BIG BEND

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