



# POTAWATOMI TRAVELING TIMES

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## A Look Back at 2020

by Winda Collins

The *Traveling Times* traditionally includes an end-of-year spread highlighting all the events of the year with photos. With 2020 not being your typical year, and what with lock downs, shutdowns,

quarantines, budget cuts and layoffs, I wondered whether there was enough material to showcase this time around. So many events were canceled, which meant no events for the newspaper to cover. I thought it would be an impossible task...

until I began paging through the issues. While there were painful losses within the community – losses that will linger forever in the hearts and minds of many, there were also moments of pride, joy, and accomplishment. These are the moments

that offer hope and encouragement for a better future in a world gone awry, and I think it important to revisit them now.



On Jan. 23, FCP hosted the Census 2020 Tribal Forum at Potawatomi Hotel & Casino in Milwaukee. This was an important step forward in engaging Native communities to participate and to be counted.



Feb. 18 marked an historic day for the FCP Community as Chairman Ned Daniels Jr. was the first FCP keynote speaker in the history of the annual State of the Tribes address.



Late February, early March saw FCP tribal member Breed Shepard Jr. end his high school wrestling career by taking 5th place in the 2020 WIAA State Individual Wrestling Championships.



Late March marked the beginning of a new form of communication between Executive Council and tribal members by way of Facebook live segments. It was around this time that the *Traveling Times* went completely digital.



May 15 was the day the Third Annual Wellbriety Walk for Recovery took place. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, business as usual was anything but.



FCP Chairman Ned Daniels Jr. proudly announced during the June 10 Facebook live session that the new Carter C-store would hold its soft opening the very next morning.

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# SPRING 2020 CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

In June, Executive Council offered an update on construction projects with a brief film that included: Rising Sun Daycare expansion, Caring Place expansion, new Carter C-store, and new Community Center.



Having canceled the second quarterly General Council meeting scheduled for May 9, discussions centered around making the August 8 quarterly meeting a reality.



On Aug. 14, Bodwéwadmī Ktëgan (Potawatomi Farm) officially welcomed two new residents of the four-legged kind all the way from Yellowstone National Park.



In September, the FCP Community Center achieved a major milestone with a topping off ceremony.



Sept. 26 was an historic day for the Forest County Potawatomi, marking the election of only the second ever Chief Judge to serve in FCP's Tribal Court.



On Nov. 2, the newly-elected officials of FCP Executive Council were sworn in and then posed for the traditional group photo.



Nov. 13 was a real winner for Forest County tribal members and sisters Makenna and Abi Winnicki and their mother Marna as they celebrated their Hodag girls swim team state championship win.



October, November and December saw FCP tribal member Zoey Weso busy having bake sales, Indian taco sales, raffles, and making holiday goody baskets, all to raise money to buy Christmas toys for area children.

## FCP Community Facebook Live Session Recap - Nov. 18, 2020

### Chairman Ned Daniels Jr.

Good morning. Thank you all for tuning in for this week's Facebook update. I am Ned Daniels Jr., Chairman of the Forest County Potawatomi Community.

I'm glad to be with you today. I hope that all of you had a nice long weekend, and that you are all happy and healthy.

For those of you who spent the last nine days looking for a deer during the gun hunting season, I hope you were able to fill your freezer. But if you weren't successful, don't worry. You can still try and get one during the muzzle-loader, antler-less or late bow seasons.

There seemed to be a lot more hunters out this year. Maybe COVID is getting people to try new things, or maybe people just wanted to fill their freezers with meat. Whatever the reason, I'm glad that more people are getting outside and connecting with nature. Enjoying Mother Earth is some of the best medicine that people can take. Having more people spend time outside and learning to appreciate nature is never a bad thing.

Since I last spoke to you, we have said goodbye to more tribal members and relatives. COVID has continued to spread throughout our community and take our loved ones. My heart breaks and I mourn for all those we have lost. I ask you to please remember the families and those mourning who we have lost. While their loved ones may be gone, they will continue to need our strength and support. Please make sure you reach out to them and help them with whatever they need.

The spike in sickness and deaths we have seen within the tribe and Forest County is not unique to this area. In fact, it's happening across Wisconsin. Communities across our state are seeing double digit increases in infections, hospitalizations and deaths. Hospitals across the state are filling up quickly, and many are nearly at capacity.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE continue to do your part to help protect our community. While there are many steps we have taken as a tribal government to protect our members and employees, it is also your responsibility to ensure it works. Continue to wear a mask, avoid gathering in large groups, practice social distancing, and wash your hands regularly. Following these simple steps can help protect our community in a big way.

Despite everything going on, I continue to be thankful for our people and our employees. We have all been asked to step up and tackle this problem. I'm grateful for our employees who have worked long hours to help us adapt and adjust to this ever-changing situation. I'm grateful for our community members who have stepped up to help other families when it's been needed. And I'm grateful for our Executive Council who have made important – and difficult – decisions to

ensure that our tribe can get through this.

Your Executive Council has been working hard to deal with this pandemic for more than eight months. They have worked long hours and made strong decisions to protect this tribe. Without their support and leadership over the last eight months, I know we would not be in the position we are today – we would be worse. Migwetch to the Executive Council. I appreciate all you have done, and continue to do, to get us through this.

I want to close with a heartwarming story about one of our own tribal youth. FCP tribal member Zoey Weso has been busy raising money for weeks – all in an effort to buy toys. With the pandemic taking a toll on so many families in Forest County communities, Zoey thought this would be a great idea to help ensure that children affected by these hard times could have the Christmas they deserve. With that goal in mind, and with the help of her family, Zoey got busy baking, cooking, raffling and shopping! When she first began, Zoey's goal was to hit \$1,000. Luckily, news traveled quickly, and because kindness is indeed contagious, funds from unexpected sources came flooding in. As a result, Zoey's new goal has climbed to \$6,000!

Zoey's mother, Mary Sue Weso, has contacted county offices to help distribute toys to families who are in need, including foster homes. If you are interested in donating to the effort, know of a family who could use some help, or are in need yourself, feel free to contact Mary Sue via her Facebook page. We wish Zoey much success in her endeavor. The world needs more of the kindness and compassion displayed by this remarkable young lady!

### Family Services Division Administrator Abbey Dall

Bosho, Forest County Potawatomi Community!

We know many of you are waiting patiently for word when the next commodity boxes will arrive. We know we'll have more coming, but we just don't know the actual date. Please be sure to watch Facebook for updates. A big thank you to the Farm, Community Advocacy, and Recreation staff for all their help in getting these distributed to you.

We are in desperate need of a few foster homes for some larger sibling groups. Please contact ICW to become a licensed placement and/or to obtain more information.

Here's a quick Child Care update: Please be sure to check your mail and return your application materials as soon as possible. It includes information about how we plan to keep your kidlets safe in response to COVID. Una is back, so if you have any questions pertaining to the application materials, please call.

We know you're headed back to work and school and we are doing our best

to ensure appropriate child care accommodations. We remain in great need of in-home child care providers. If you're interested in becoming a certified child care provider, please contact Kathy Tupper at (715) 478-4433.

Wisconsin Judicare will not be providing its normal on-site reservation services due to the COVID-19 pandemic. At this time, if you need assistance with the writing of wills or other legal needs, you can apply online at [www.judicare.org](http://www.judicare.org), or call their office to apply over the phone at (715) 842-1681.

Community Advocacy can still provide assistance with Health Care Power of Attorney or Financial Power of Attorney while maintaining social distancing and safety precautions by calling (715) 478-7201.

A colder season nears and we know you may feel a bit more stuck at home. We are available and will respond to emergencies and safety concerns accordingly. If you're feeling suicidal, please call for help at 1-800-SUICIDE or 1-800-273-TALK.

For non-emergency service requests, our business hours continue to be Monday – Thursday, 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. If you should call outside of these hours, please leave a message with your full name and a working phone number so that we may return your call. Call Family Services at (715) 478-4433.

Assistance is available for qualifying applicants for food, medical, and child care expenses. We invite you to apply at <https://access.wisconsin.gov>. We know that filling out large applications can be overwhelming. Please call us at (715) 478-4433 to schedule an appointment to receive assistance. Kiosks are ready and available.

Wishing you a safe weekend. See you soon! Ba Ma Me Na.

Family Services (715) 478-4433

Indian Child Welfare (715) 889-1446

Com. Advocacy (715) 478-7201

Child Support (715) 478-7260

### Emergency Management Program Manager Bobbie Irocky

Hello, FCP Community. The Incident Command System is at a Level 1 of a virtual Full-Scale Activation.

Now that the holiday season is here, reinforcing everyday preventive actions are necessary during this time. If you or anyone in your household is thought to have been in contact with anyone who lives outside of your household for longer than 15 minutes and was unable to social distance, you need to watch for COVID-19 symptoms which could be but are not limited to: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting and/or diarrhea.

Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after

exposure to the virus. If at any time you are experiencing these symptoms or feel you have come into contact with a person that has COVID, please reach out to your healthcare provider right away.

I cannot stress enough the importance of everyone needing to wear a mask, washing your hands, and staying at least six feet away from others who do not live with you. We all know that this virus has extremely escalated, and we all need to get back to doing our part to keep everyone safe.

There will be a free drive-through COVID-19 testing for Wisconsin residents provided by the National Guard on Friday, Dec. 4, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Forest County Highway Department, 5350 County Hwy. W in Crandon. This testing will be first come, first serve. You will need to stay in your vehicle at all times. Anyone five years or older that lives or works in Wisconsin is eligible for testing. If you need any further information, please contact the Forest County Health Department at (715) 478-3371.

If at any time you have an emergency need, please reach out to Emergency Management at (715) 478-4428, and we will either assist or put you into contact with the proper department that fits your needs. Thank you all and please stay safe!

### Michelle Stoffregen, Nursing Director

Good morning, FCP community.

The COVID 19 pandemic continues with a high level of cases nationally, along with Wisconsin hospitals providing care for roughly 1,800 patients, the Wisconsin Department of Health shared that one in four of them is in an ICU and only about 16 percent of hospital beds across our state are available. Our healthcare system is overwhelmed, which puts up a barrier for emergency care that we need other than COVID 19. What we do know, according to the CDC, is that American Indian/Alaska Natives (AI/AN) are 3.5 times more likely to be infected with the COVID 19 virus. In addition to wearing masks, social distancing, washing our hands, and avoiding gatherings, COVID vaccination remains the most promising countermeasure to further reduce disease, morbidity, and mortality.

So, let's talk about the COVID vaccine. The FCP Health Division has created a work group to work in collaboration with Indian Health Services (IHS) on the allocation, distribution and implementation for COVID vaccination. Due to Operation Warp Speed, the COVID vaccine was produced to deploy to facilities in a much faster way than any other vaccine, but has still gone through the safety requirements that vaccines must go through to be safely given.

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## Facebook Live Recap

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IHS is currently providing our team with the information and education on the upcoming COVID vaccines, and when they will be available to administer to the community and staff. We plan to reach out to you via phone when the vaccine is available, so please make sure your phone information is available and up to date at the Health & Wellness Center.

The first vaccine that is currently being reviewed by the FDA is called BioN-Tech from the manufacturer, Pfizer. This vaccine has shown to be over 90 percent effective. The second vaccine made by the manufacturer Moderna, is shown to be around 94.5 percent effective. Both of these vaccines will be a two-injection series, 21 days apart.

We want to provide you with information that is unbiased and reviewed by IHS and local healthcare professionals. Since this project is fast moving – and we are learning ourselves at this moment, we also want to provide you an opportunity to reach out to our COVID vaccine team to ask some of the questions you have about the vaccines. We have created an email option to do this: covidvaccinequestions@fcpotawatomi-nsn.gov. We will return your email as soon as we can. In addition to this email option, you can contact your care team at the Health & Wellness Center at (715) 478-4339.

Please be safe and stay healthy for yourselves, your family, and your community. Thank you.

## Billy Daniels Jr. “Ka Kéw Sé” - “Forever Going”



Billy Daniels Jr. “Ka Kéw Sé”, “Forever Going”, 88, of Crandon passed away Nov. 27, 2020, at Marshfield Medical Center, Eau Claire. Billy was born Nov. 1, 1932, in the Town of Lincoln, the son of William Daniels Sr. and Alice Benn.

He served in the US Marines. He was united in marriage on Aug. 23, 2002, to Alyce Pruitt. Billy loved to dance at Powwows and was a champion traditional dancer.

Surviving are his wife: Alyce Daniels; daughters: Francis Shepard (Crandon), Tina Daniels (Crandon), Maunee Daniels (Arkansas), Isabella Daniels (Crandon); adopted daughters: Gwen Awonophoy (Zoar), Verna Awonophoy (Zoar); sons: William (Katherine) Daniels III (Crandon), Daniel Prescott (Stevens Point), Dylan Prescott (Wausau); 24 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren; special grandson, Pawagen Frank; sister: Elizabeth “Lizzy” Daniels (Las Vegas); brother: Sydney Daniels (Crandon).

He was preceded in death by his parents; infant son; daughter: Diana; sisters: Mary and Florence; brothers: Ned and Julius; adopted children: Tony, Annett, Wabno, TeTa Awonophoy.

Visitation took place Nov. 29; services were held on Nov. 30, both at the Potawatomi Cultural Center. Burial followed at the Potawatomi Tribal Cemetery, Crandon.

Weber-Hill Funeral Home assisted the family with the arrangements.

JAN 1	12/16/20	JUL 1	6/16/21
JAN 15	1/6/21	JUL 15	6/30/21
FEB 1	1/20/21	AUG 1	7/21/21
FEB 15	2/3/21	AUG 15	8/4/21
MAR 1	2/17/21	SEP 1	8/18/21
MAR 15	3/3/21	SEP 15	9/1/21
APR 1	3/17/21	OCT 1	9/22/21
APR 15	3/31/21	OCT 15	10/1/21
MAY 1	4/21/21	NOV 1	10/20/21
MAY 15	5/5/21	NOV 15	11/3/21
JUN 1	5/19/21	DEC 1	11/17/21
JUN 15	6/2/21	DEC 15	12/1/21

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**Tribal Members**

**Deadline Coming Soon for Open Enrollment for the Non-Tribal Dependent Health Plan**

You have until December 15, 2020, to enroll your non-member spouse and/or dependents up to the age of 26.

**Please contact the Forest County Potawatomi Insurance Department at (715) 478-7448 or email us at fcpotawatomi-nsn.gov for details or to get an application.**

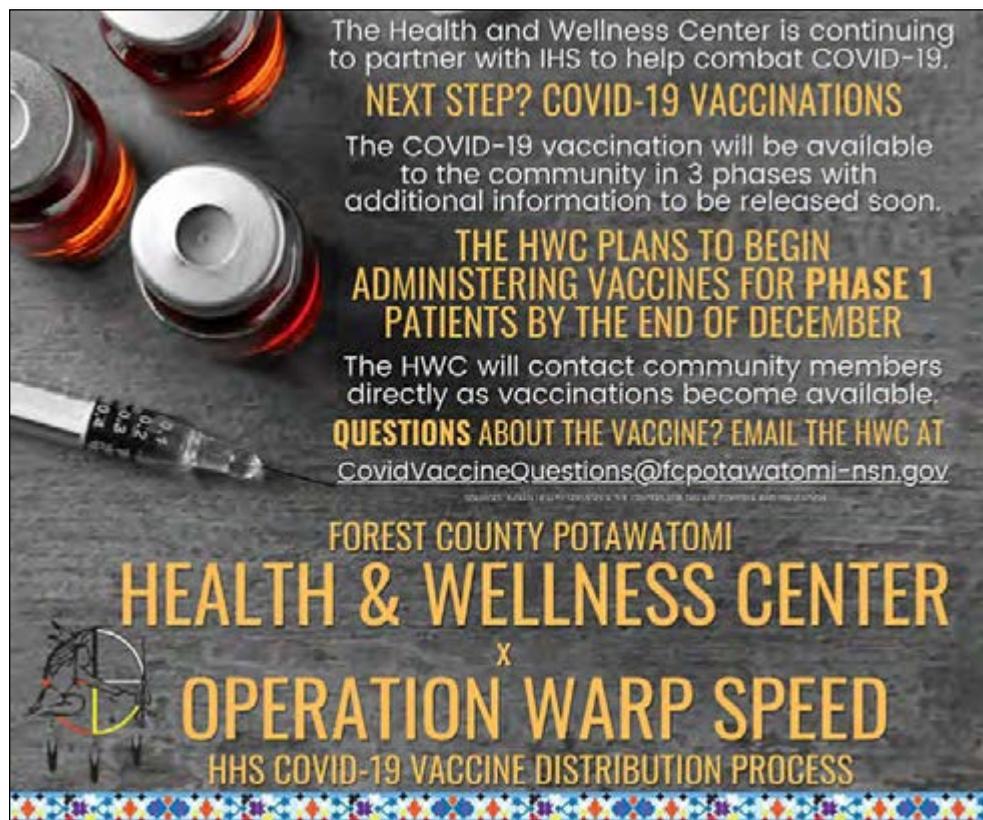
\*\*A note from the Forest County Potawatomi Insurance Department\*\*  
The Non-Tribal Dependent Health Plan has recognition as Minimum Essential coverage (MEC) from the Department of Health & Human Services.

**CARING FOR YOUR MENTAL HEALTH DURING COVID-19**

Take breaks to relax and do activities you enjoy.	Take care of your body with exercise and a healthy diet.	Know the facts. Understanding the risks can make an outbreak less stressful.	Stay connected with family, friends, and a trusted support system	Ask for help if feelings become too overwhelming.

[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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The Health and Wellness Center is continuing to partner with IHS to help combat COVID-19.

**NEXT STEP? COVID-19 VACCINATIONS**

The COVID-19 vaccination will be available to the community in 3 phases with additional information to be released soon.

**THE HWC PLANS TO BEGIN ADMINISTERING VACCINES FOR PHASE 1 PATIENTS BY THE END OF DECEMBER**

The HWC will contact community members directly as vaccinations become available.

**QUESTIONS ABOUT THE VACCINE? EMAIL THE HWC AT [CovidVaccineQuestions@fcpotawatomi-nsn.gov](mailto:CovidVaccineQuestions@fcpotawatomi-nsn.gov)**

**FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER**

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HHS COVID-19 VACCINE DISTRIBUTION PROCESS



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- FRESH WATER (NOT frozen)

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**How COLD is TOO COLD?**

°F	Small Dog	Medium Dog	Large Dog
45 & Up	1	1	1
30-45	2	2	2
20-30	4	3	2
15-20	4	3	3
Below 15	4	4	4

1: Risk is unlikely  
 2: Potentially unsafe cold  
 3: Risk of dangerous cold  
 4: Potentially life-threatening cold



**SLOW THE SPREAD OF COVID-19**  
[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus)

- Wear a cloth face covering in public spaces
- Stay at least 6 feet from other people
- Frequently wash your hands

**FROM HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER:**

As of Aug. 3, 2020, the Health & Wellness Center expanded its hours from 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The clinic is also accepting new patients. As the clinic begins to see more patients for some types of care that have been postponed, know that it continues to take every precaution to keep you safe if your visit requires visiting the clinic. The following changes have been made in an effort to support a safe increase in volumes:

- Curbside COVID-19 testing for those who display symptoms or who have been exposed to someone who tested positive.
- Virtual visits, which will allow patients to maintain primary care by connecting with providers via phone, computer or tablet.
- COVID-19 screening for everyone before entering the building.
- Wearing a mask for anyone entering the building. If you don't have a mask, one will gladly be provided.
- Rearranged waiting and registration areas to practice social distancing.
- Enhanced cleaning in all areas, including additional disinfectant for high-touch spaces.

Stay tuned to FCP's Facebook page and *PTT* for further information for each department.

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**  
 Expanded hours: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday  
 Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services will provide regularly scheduled services in person or virtual visit. Please call (715) 478-4332 with questions or concerns.

**COMMUNITY HEALTH**  
 Expanded hours: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday  
 Services include contact tracing for COVID-19, medication deliveries, case management and urgent home visits.

**DENTAL**  
 Expanded hours: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday  
 Dental services including orthodontic care and dental cleanings now available. Please call (715) 478-4313 to schedule.

**MEDICAL/LAB/IMAGING**  
 Expanded hours: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.  
 Primary care services will provide regularly-scheduled services in person or virtual visit. Please call (715) 478-4339 to schedule.

**OPTICAL**  
 Expanded hours: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday  
 Optical will provide regularly-scheduled services in person. All visits will require an appointment to be made, which includes glasses repairs or adjustments, retail shop, contact lens fitting, pick-up glasses/contacts. Please call (715) 478-4339 to schedule any of these services.

**REHAB**  
 Hours: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday  
 Physical Therapy and Chiropractic services now available. Please call (715) 478-4339 to schedule.

**PHARMACY**  
 Hours are subject to change. Please call the pharmacy ahead of time to ensure your medication is ready prior to arriving for pick up and options for pick up at (715) 478-4347.

**FAMILY SERVICES DIVISION CONTACT NUMBERS**

**Indian Child Welfare**  
 Main Line: (715)-478-4812  
 24 Hour Emergency Hotline: (715) 889-1446

**Economic Support**  
 (715) 478-7206

**Community Advocacy**  
 24 Hour Emergency Hotline: (715) 478-7201

**Child Support**  
 (715) 478-7260

**Family Services**  
 Main Line: (715) 478-4433

If you don't get an answer on one of the these phone numbers, please leave a voicemail and your call will be returned shortly.

For additional information including applications and forms for each of our departments, please go to FCP's website at [FCPotawatomi.com](http://FCPotawatomi.com).

# Native American House Candidates Make History

submitted by Jacob Stamm, Schreiber GR Group

The 117th Congress will be made up of the largest Native American delegation in United States history with six Native Americans serving in Congress.

- Representative Sharice Davids (D-KS), an enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin, won her election to the House in 2018. She was the first Democrat to win a Kansas congressional district in a decade and is the first openly LGBT Native American elected to Congress. Prior to her election she was an attorney and mixed martial artist.

- Representative Deb Haaland (D-NM) of the Laguna Pueblo, was first elected to Congress in 2018. Along with Rep. Sharice Davids, she is the first Native American woman elected to Congress. Prior to her election, she ran for Lieutenant Governor of New Mexico and served as Chair of the Democratic Party of New Mexico. She is Co-Chair of the Congressional Native American Caucus. Rep. Haaland is also rumored to be in the running for Secretary of the Interior under President-Elect Biden.

- Representative Thomas Cole (R-OK), a member of the Chickasaw Nation, won his first election to Congress in 2002. Prior to his election, he was the Secretary of State of Oklahoma from 1995-1999. Rep. Cole is a Co-Chair of the Congressional Native American Caucus.

- Representative Markwayne Mullin (R-OK) of the Cherokee Nation, was first elected to the House in 2012. Prior to his election, he was a business owner and host of a radio show about home improvement.

Joining the ranks of Congress this year are Yvette Herrell (R-NM) and Kai Kehele (D-HI).

- Yvette Herrell was elected to the House in 2020. She will be the first Republican Native woman in Congress. She is a former realtor and was a member of the New Mexico House of Representatives from 2011-2019. She ran against Rep. Xochtil Torres Small in 2018 for this seat but was defeated. She is a member of the Cherokee Nation.

- Kehele won election to Congress in

2020. Prior to his election, he served as a pilot in the Hawaii Air National Guard where he was the recipient of numerous combat awards for missions in Afghanistan. After the death of his father, he was appointed to the 1st Senate District of the Hawaii Senate and served as the Majority Leader. Kehele planned to run against incumbent Representative Tulsi Gabbard; however, she decided not to

run for re-election in 2020. Kehele is of Native Hawaiian ancestry.

- In Wisconsin, Tricia Zunker, a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation, was defeated by Representative Tom Tiffany in Wisconsin's 7th Congressional District which covers northern Wisconsin. This was a rematch of the special election that took place in May of this year.



**FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI  
PUBLIC WORKS  
DIVISION**

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Crandon, WI 54520

## Updated Public Works Contacts during COVID-19!

<p><b>All Tribal Member Rentals, On Reservation Homes, and Government Facilities:</b> Jeff Thorpe: 715-889-2136</p> <p><b>Plumbing/HVAC:</b> Dan Gruber: 715-889-3276</p> <p><b>General Housing or Rental Related Questions:</b> Nate Guldan: 715-889-1796 Allison Daniels: 715-889-3149</p> <p><b>Roads:</b> Todd Mulvey: 715-902-0201</p>	<p><b>Drinking Water and Wastewater Issues:</b> Operator on Call: 715-889-9345</p> <p><b>Solid Waste:</b> Tony Daniels: 715-889-6028</p> <p><b>Transit (Medical Transports Only):</b> Wade Deverney: 715-478-4940 or 715-889-0087</p>
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COVID-19 Together**

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## GMS 10 Year Anniversary: COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

Community is not only a core value at Greenfire, but also a guiding principle for how we carry ourselves every day. As a subsidiary of the Forest County Potawatomi Community (FCPC) we reverberate the FCP Foundation mission to promote economic opportunity, strengthen communities, and demonstrate responsible citizenship by assisting and supporting charitable organizations.

We are fortunate to possess lasting partnerships with a variety of admirable and respected organizations who share this ideation. However, sharing a common belief is only half the equation to fostering a positive and lasting community impact. We also take action to invest in our communities through a variation of support, assistance, and mentorship.



“Greenfire’s continued belief in giving back to our community is a big part of the company culture our team has created,” said Rebecca Sadler, Greenfire’s director of administration. “One of our guiding principles is finding the positive in every situation and maintaining an attitude of gratitude. Teaming up with local community-based organizations not only supports their missions, but helps us build, maintain, and grow the best team.”

Support of our charitable organizations takes many forms as we host and coordinate drives, sponsor community-based events, and collect in-kind and monetary donations. Our assistance for charitable organizations includes promotion of the organization through partnerships, sponsorships, and volunteerism. Our mentorship includes youth development and promoting career development.

Our support also continues with professional and career development as we have hosted numerous job fairs for upcoming projects. Our job fairs include opportunities to work with Greenfire or become involved with the trades on site. Most recently, we have hosted job fairs for the Forest County Potawatomi and Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa communities as well as the Community Within the Corridor project.



In all, the culmination of our efforts seeks to leave a lasting positive impact. We believe investment back into your surroundings can not only help strengthen vitality and prosperity of the community but also the individuals who reside within.

## MBJ's People on the Move: GMS'S REBECCA SADLER PROMOTED

As noted in the Milwaukee Business Journal's People on the Move section, Greenfire congratulates Rebecca Sadler, on her recent promotion to Director of Administration. Sadler manages all administrative processes for Greenfire's Milwaukee and Wausau offices including hiring, human resources, and corporate events. She established and manages Greenfire's community outreach program and developed and nurtures the company culture. Sadler's contributions are a constant reminder of the value she brings to Greenfire's success. Her attention to detail in all she does contributes significantly to our strategic plans for growth and success. Sadler joined Greenfire in 2015, celebrating five years this month. Please join us in congratulating her on the promotion to the leadership team and her work anniversary!



## Project Spotlight: SIXTEENTH STREET COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER - MILWAUKEE

Sixteenth Street Community Health Center (SSCHC) is expanding to a new location along National Avenue near Clark Square. Occupying the former Badger Mutual Insurance commercial office building, the new space will house the health clinic focused on behavioral health services along with the City of Milwaukee Behavioral Health Division.



Photo: (1) North ramp excavation for installation of ADA-compliant entrance ramp (2) Drywall complete at security area (3) New fully adhered roof at west end of building (4) New mechanical location

The project began in August 2020 with the team facilitating and coordinating the relocation for Badger Mutual Insurance and SSCHC. Initial work includes a detailed evaluation of the existing building to understand SSCHC’s innovative and collaborative intent along with subsequent selective demolition. Renovation of the 30,000 SF space began with an assessment of the existing MEP building systems to identify areas to update and areas to install new cost-effective systems. The final overlay ensures the most efficient, healthcare-compliant MEP building systems layout. New construction also includes installation of an advanced building security system and cybersecurity system to meet City of Milwaukee data standards, updating the entire building to meet ADA compliancy including accessibility and entrances, and complete replacement of the existing roof to a fully-adhered roof.

Currently, the construction critical path and all subsequent rough installations are complete. Finishes and major systems retrofits are aligning and will finish concurrently. The new roof installation is nearing completion and consists of replacement from the existing ballasted stone roof to a fully adhered roof. The team is working with WE Energies to supply new electrical services to the renovated building. The project is on track for substantial completion in late January 2021.

The project team includes Josh Bruesewitz, Greenfire Project Manager, and Tommy Cummings, Greenfire Superintendent. The owner is Sixteenth Street Community Health Center and the architect is Allume Architects. We would like to thank Sixteenth Street Community Health Center for the opportunity to serve as construction manager on this transformative project.



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