

# River Run

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## Young River People's Council Newsletter

This past 2 months our youth council has been trying to get community members registered vote in the state elections. We tried to get people registered at Community events, went door to door and asked our family members. As youth it is very important for us to make sure our voices are heard, and since we can't vote the least we can do is encourage others to do so. Unfortunately a large majority of Native Americans do not vote, which is disappointing because it's something our ancestors never got a chance to do. We got about 130 people registered to vote, and we hope to see them all at the ballots this year. **-Sommer Lopez**



**Get out the Vote**

**Door to Door**

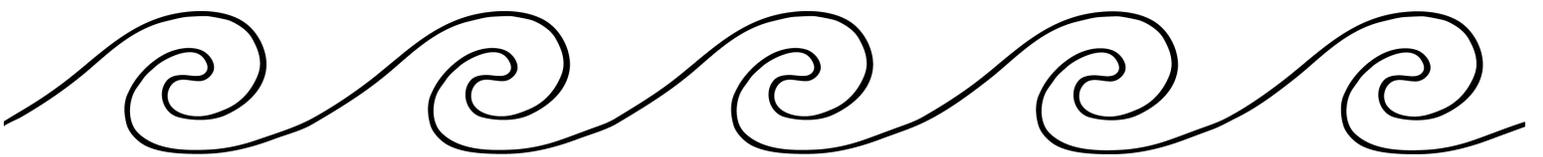


**YRPC Members let participants try various infused waters during the Day For Kids Event**



On September 21, 2018, members of the Young River People's Council volunteered at the 'Day For Kids' event hosted by the Boys and Girls club. We had a table that gave out infused water and gave out information. Our members handed out different recipes with different combinations of infused water. I was glad to be apart of the event . Seeing all the people that gathered together for the children was so comforting . Not only did we promote infused water but we also assisted with the game booths.

**- Laura Fulwilder**





**Ky-Mani, Christine, Alyssa and Sommer gave the presentation**

The YRPC was invited by Ember Conley, Ed. D., Superintendent of the Mesa Public Schools to a Mesa Public School Board meeting this past August. We also presented to the Salt River School Board. Sommer Lopez, Kymani Harney, and myself gave a presentation on active members, executive members, past events and accomplishments, what we are planning for the future and collaborations. We also talked about our mission as a youth council and the importance of education and time management. Giving this update to the Mesa Public School Board and the Salt River School Board was a great experience and from it we hope to combine efforts in the future. Thank you to both School Boards for having us!

- Alyssa Andrews

On September 15th our Youth Council attended a work session where we worked on updating our bylaws and goals. I enjoyed learning about the bylaws because it gave me a better perspective on our mission as a youth council. After lunch we practiced singing and dancing for the upcoming Native American Recognition Days parade.

-Chloe Johnson



**Work Session**



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**Upcoming YRPC Events and Activities**

- Oct. 2— Culture Camp Committee @ 4:30
- Oct. 4— Breast Cancer Walk Volunteering @ Fitness Center 5pm
- Oct. 9— Filming Substance Abuse PSA (all day)
- Oct. 10— Safety Booth Prep @ TW 2pm
- Oct 11.— O'odham Bingo Committee Mtg @ 1pm , Exec. Mtg. @ 1pm , YRPC mtg. @ TW 2pm (all) , Safety Day—booth @4:30
- Oct. 12— Friday Kickball with the cops @ WOLF 5-8pm
- Oct. 13— NARD parade-leaving TW at 7am
- Oct. 18— Halloween O'odham Bingo in Lehi. Set-up 5:30pm.
- Oct. 20— Fall Festival at SRCB— 3pm set-up.
- Oct. 21-26- NCAI Conference in Denver, CO.
- Oct. 29— Youth O'odham Bingo Mtg. at Tw at 5pm