

LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION
COVID-19

TWELFTH DIRECTIVE - October 13, 2021

A SAFE HALLOWEEN 2021

TO PROTECT AND DEFEND THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE ONK AKIMEL O'ODHAM AND XALYCHIDOM PIIPAASH, RESIDENTS, COMMUNITY EMPLOYEES, BUSINESSES AND VISITORS OF THE SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY BY ISSUING DIRECTVES FOR A SAFE HALLOWEEN 2021.

The Tenth Directive Clarification of Directives – Maintain Face Coverings and Rescind Exemptions for Schools operating in the Commercial Corridor and Businesses within the Community from the SRPMIC Directives for COVID-19 Practices—issued on August 13, 2021 remains in effect.

The Eleventh Directive – *Prohibition on Wakes in Private Homes*—issued August 25, 2021 remains in effect.

The COVID-19 virus continues to be a serious public health threat to the Community and now all COVID-19 positive cases within the Community are of the Delta variant which is twice as infectious as previous strains.

Approximately 5,700 Community Members are unvaccinated. Currently there is a 140% increase in active COVID-19 cases over the same time as last year. Children 14 to 17 years of age are the most likely to bring the virus into the household. Infants and toddlers are the most likely to infect others within the home.

All eligible people should get vaccinated.

It is necessary for the Community to continue efforts to protect the most vulnerable within the population. The virus remains at high levels within the state and the Community and as of October 11, 2021 the Arizona Department of Health Services and local public health departments have identified 1,120,361 cases of COVID-19 with 20,382 deaths in the state and within the Community 1,434 cases of COVID-19 have been identified and 48 deaths.

NOW THEREFORE the SRPMIC Local Emergency Declaration for COVID-19 of March 18, 2020 remains in effect, and I, along with the Council, in addition to the requirements of the Tenth and Eleventh Directives, hereby issue the following for Halloween 2021:

No trick or treating or haunted houses for Halloween 2021. Wear a face covering (type recommended by the CDC, not a costume) in public per Tenth Directive

Permitted Activities:

- Outdoor activity that brings people together if preventive steps are followed.
- The following **prevention steps** should be practiced around others:
 - All individuals two years or older wear a face mask outside of home (*required per Tenth Directive*)
 - Wash hands regularly with soap and water or clean them with alcohol based hand rub

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- o Maintain at least six feet distance from persons not of your household
- Avoid touching your face
- o Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing
- Stay home if you feel unwell

This Twelfth Directive shall remain in effect until November 1st at 6:00 a.m.

October 13, 2021	Salt River Pima-Maricopa
Date	Indian Community Council
Attest:	Martin Harvier, President
Erica Harvier, Secretary	Approved as to Form by the Office of the General Counsel