

# 2020 Voters Guide



PUYALLUP TRIBE of INDIANS

*GENEROUS AND WELCOMING TO ALL PEOPLE*

PRIMARY ELECTION | APRIL 4



# Important Dates & Times

## Editor's Note

This edition of the 2020 Primary Election Voters Guide is a reprint to restore content that was inadvertently omitted from the last guide.

## Puyallup Tribe of Indians Election Board

**Dear Puyallup Tribal Member:**

We are entering the election season for 2020. There will be two (2) positions open on Puyallup Tribal Council.

**Please note and mark the following dates on your calendar:**

**Friday, January 31st, 2020**

**Notice of Candidacy:** will be accepted beginning at 9 a.m. Notices must be submitted in writing with the Secretary of the Puyallup Tribal Council.

**Wed, February 19th, 2020**

**Deadline for Notice of Candidacy:** must be submitted to the Secretary of the Puyallup Tribal Council by 12 p.m. (noon) by those interested in running for the open positions.

**Wed, February 19th, 2020**

**Deadline for Tribal News Paper Voter's Pamphlet:** Candidacy letters & photos must be submitted to News@PuyallupTribe-nsn.gov by 5 p.m.

**Tuesday, March 3rd, 2020**

**Deadline for absentee ballot request:** must be received in the Election Board's mail box by 9 a.m.

**Saturday, April 4th, 2020**

**Absentee Ballots:** must be received in the Election Board's mail box by 8 a.m.  
**PRIMARY ELECTION:** 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Puyallup Tribal Administration Building, 3009 E. Portland Ave Tacoma, WA 98404.

**Friday, April 10th, 2020**

**Courtesy mail-out of election count:** Absentee ballot requests will be mailed for the General Election.  
**Deadline for Tribal News Paper Voter's Pamphlet:** Candidacy letters & photos must be submitted to News@PuyallupTribe-nsn.gov by 5 p.m.

**Friday, May 8th, 2020**

**Deadline for absentee ballot request:** must be received in the Election Board's mail box by 9 a.m.

**Saturday, June 6th, 2020**

**Absentee Ballots:** must be received in the Election Board's mail box by 8 a.m.  
**GENERAL ELECTION:** 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Puyallup Tribal Administration Building, 3009 E. Portland Ave Tacoma, WA 98404.

**Friday, June 12th, 2020**

**Courtesy mail-out of election count.**



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## Danelle Reed

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*Good day to all of you, my dear family and tribal people. My name is Danelle Reed. I am the daughter of Sharron and Les Nelson. Granddaughter of Lucille and Ben Reed. Great-granddaughter of Hattie Allen and Silas Cross. Great-great granddaughter of Henry Allen. I give thanks to my ancestors who fought for my life, for my people and for my (our) land.*

**ʔəskʷədiitubutəd čəd** I am grateful and give thanks for our tribal leaders past and present for their hard work and service to our tribe. We are blessed and enjoy many benefits because of their work.

Unique qualifications I bring include an education, experience in program planning and evaluation, and vision to see we can do better. I have earned my BA, MA, and PhD in Clinical Psychology. I can apply what I learned in four specific areas:

- **SOCIAL:** human behavior and managing the discussions at the table as well as outside our tribal reservation boundaries. I am skilled listener and decipher in finding meaning and intention when others have difficulty saying what they mean. I am committed to finding common ground and agreement so we can move forward which I believe is the most important job as council person.

- **EMOTIONAL:** historical trauma and understanding what we need to heal our members who are still struggling with its impact whether that be coping with substances or feeling depressed or anxious. I have solutions to offer.

- **MENTAL:** program management, from start to finish. This includes developing program goals, implementing them, and evaluating the program for effectiveness, efficiency, as well as other measures of success. I can apply this knowledge to specifically analyzing best use of our tribal funds across all entities we oversee. Within this area I also bring graduate level scientific knowledge in many subjects including but not limited to cultural preservation, biology, geology, neuroscience, and scientific methods. Our natural world is suffering. We must restore and then protect Mother Earth and all that lives in it (plants, fish, animals, the air and water). I walk my talk in this area. I drive a hybrid car, I have installed solar panels at my home, and I no longer purchase or use single use plastics each and every day. I believe not only must our tribe change our environmental approach but we as a membership must make personal changes too.

- **SPIRITUAL:** I have a vision of our future that does include change for the betterment of our membership. My vision includes honoring our ancestors, our land, our natural resources, our culture, our language, and planning for future generations. A large part of developing a good plan is understanding the problem(s). This vision includes making some difficult decisions in the short-term so that we may reap greater benefits in the future. We are a tribe out-spending our resources and we are in debt. This can not change without strong leadership and I believe the specialized training I bring is critical to have at the table.

I also bring a diverse and successful work history. Leading up to coming back home I worked my way through school. For this I bring experiences that have taught me a lot and earned me more and more responsibility. When I accepted the job at the clinic, I brought experiences working in multiple inpatient hospital settings, community mental health clinics, tribal community outreach, school-based MH educator, several retail jobs, research associate in several research studies measuring drug impacts on the developing brain, universality of emotional expression, ADHD impact on the mother-child bond, and several others. In each of these settings I had to work with a team of people with various educations and backgrounds. I have never been released from a job and without exception my supervisors gave me high marks on teamwork.

I have held the position of Director of Kwawatchee Counseling Center (KCC) for more than 15 years. In this position, I accomplished the following:

- successfully managed a 20% reduction in workforce without seeing a reduction in service levels or revenue
- grew outreach/education services by more than 200% in the first year and another 200% the next year as we implemented American Indian Life's Skills in the 6th grade classrooms at Chief Leschi.
- we serve 400% more Puyallup tribal members than we did in 2004 when I arrived.
- kept operations costs nearly the same while growing revenues each year
- operated within a positive aka "in the black" budget for every year I built the budget. Again, I walk the talk in fiscal responsibility with a history to back this up.

As a tribal nation we face uncertain times and difficult challenges

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ahead. I'd like to share some of the traditional teachings that motivate me to run for tribal council. While there are many, four lessons that keep coming back to me this season include lessons of:

1. **higʷəd** (respect) for all living things. Respect for our Mother Earth, our water, lands, and plants.
2. **ʔuʂəbid** (love) for all things. Love for ourselves. Love for our families. Love for all people. Love for our plant and animal relatives large and small.
3. **tiḵdxʷ** (defend) what is rightfully ours. Defend our treaty rights. This includes our right to hunt, fish, and gather; as well defending and protecting or most vulnerable tribal members who can not defend themselves.

4. **huyud ʔ'ub** (make fine/okay) of what is around you. We must not leave our problems for future generations. In this area I can offer creative and sustainable solutions.

Change is here, let's embrace it gracefully so that we can leave this world better than we found it and make it livable for all living things.

As our world changes, like a team paddling a canoe; we must work together and make adjustments as the tides change. I am confident we will overcome future challenges with leaders who can: 1) listen to our ancestors lessons; 2) respect our planet; 3) love all members; and 4) sustainably plan for the next seven generations.

Finally, I am grateful for the young ones and those yet to be born who provide purpose for our existence and future generations to teach and pass on our ancestor's knowledge. I would like to hear from you and your ideas . We can not do this without all of us pulling for a better future. If you have any questions and/or concerns please reach out! Call and text me at (253) 344-9143 or message me on Instagram, Facebook, Messenger, or email me at danelleptm514@gmail.com. I humbly seek your support and vote this election.

**What we need is ... DANELLE REED IN 2020**

**ʔəswələḵʷ čət ʔəsqʷuʔ** — *Together we are stronger.*

**ʔuʔuʂəbitubuʔəd čəd** — *I Love all you folks!*

# VOTE MONICA MILLER PUYALLUP TRIBAL COUNCIL



## Monica Miller

My name is Monica Miller. I was born and raised on the Puyallup Reservation my entire life.

My family name is the (Milroy-Taylor -Ferro).

I have three children – Nick, Raquel, and Maria, I have 5 grand kids – Nicky, Miyah, Peyton, Amilia and Adrianna.

I started working for the Puyallup Tribe in 1974 as a youth worker, 40 Years later and I am still here working at the Puyallup Tribe as the Director of Per Capita/ Representative Payee Department.

**LIVING AND WORKING HERE ON OUR PUYALLUP RESERVATION IS KNOWLEDGE THAT YOU WILL NEVER LEARN IN YOUR HISTORY BOOKS.**

During my work experience I got to see a lot that our Tribe has gone through like the fishing struggles, the hard work and struggle of the Land Settlement, I witnessed our tribe take back Cascadia (Cushman Hospital) and also take back land on the Port of Tacoma.

I am very active with the Puyallup Tribe and our Community, I try to attend every Membership Meeting and voice my opinion. I attend the Youth Education/School Board meetings, Youth activities, pow wows, I have sold fireworks, I fished our waters, helped serve the homeless, helped out with the Toys for Tots, coordinate fundraisers for our cancer survivors along with fundraisers for victims of disasters, I volunteer at funerals in the kitchen and cleaning. I attend the Elders Luncheon and I also visit some of our Elders that live in our Assisted Living.

I work very closely with the banking financial institution for the Trust and the Per Capita and the RPP Curator

Bank Accounts. As the Director of Per Capita, it is my job to make sure that each Tribal member receives their monthly Per Capita Check/Bonus Checks and that each child's trust check is distributed to the rightful tribal child's trust account which is held at Providence (Chase Bank).

I work closely with the following departments of the Tribe: Elders, Children Services, ICW, Wraparound group, adult protective Services, Law Enforcement, Law Office, Enrollment Office, Tribal Council, I work closely with all these Departments and in order to work with these departments you have to know each departments codes, each of these departments that I mentioned have codes to follow. Knowing Tribal codes is very important especially if you want to be on Tribal Council.

As you can tell by my years of work experience I am a hard worker, dependable, reliable, trustworthy, devoted, dedicated. I speak the truth and I have no problem saying anything that is on my mind. When I started working at the Tribe as a young girl, Barbara Richards was my boss who taught and trained me in the work force along with also teaching me our culture one thing that always stuck with me in the work field that Barb told me was to always keep a paper trail on all documents and date and sign them when you received them, those simple words were very valuable. I practice those very same words with my employees. As always I will still protect and make sure that all our per capitas are protected.

Below I have listed a few things that I would like to see happen at our Tribe:

- \* Jobs/Training Directors- Management positions/ Construction training
- \* Biggest Northwest treatment facility for all Natives
- \* Better Tribal Laws enforcing drug dealers off our Reservation.

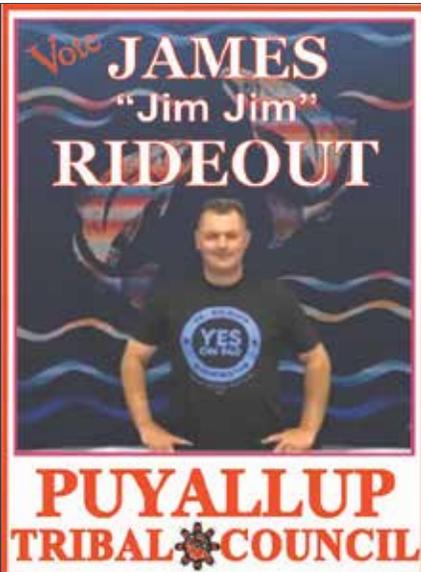
- \* We need no panhandling, no loitering signs on all Tribal businesses
- \* Tribal Church – located near our Elders Assisted Living
- \* HOMES – for all Tribal Members
- \* Land we own that is vacant — we need to use for either homes or economic business
- \* Economic development to enhance with our growth in our membership
- \* Children-Teens Financial Education, along with high school job training.
- \* Better communication between Tribal Council and the Tribal Membership.
- \* Tribal Codes/Constitution needs to be voted on by members before Tribal Council approves and changes.

**Puyallup Tribal Members, We need to stand together on protecting our Children, Elders, Veterans, Water, Land, Fish, Roots, Berries, Education, Culture, and our Sovereignty Rights.**

**I, Monica Miller am asking you to VOTE for me in this upcoming Primary Election that will be held on April 4th 2020 which is on a Saturday, location is at the Puyallup Tribe's Administration Bldg. on the first floor, time will be from 10am-4pm. Hope to see you all there Please let your voice be heard by voting.**

**PS- for those members that cannot come into vote in person please make sure you got an absentee ballot request and that you mailed it back into the Election Committee, if you didn't receive your request for an absentee ballot to vote by mail please call or email the Election Committee for a ballot request: ElectionBoard@PuyallupTribe-nsn.gov.**

MILLER TIME 2020



## James (Jim Jim) Rideout

Greetings Tribal Members,  
It has been an honor and privilege to serve on the Puyallup Tribal Council. Through my three year tenure I have focus on many issues, and have tried to use my office to serve you the membership. It is my opinion that a council person's duties are structured on oversight, outlook and results.

### Statement

*My outlook for the present and future are founded on three principles, having a Sound, Safe and Secure economic, social and culturally enhance community and environment.*

My main concern of soundness is to maintain and prioritize the finish and completion of the new Emerald Queen Casino. The casino is the foundation to our economic and fiscal viability. It is my job, to keep in account, monitor and encourage growth of our per-capita so we can maintain and sustain our economic future. It has been my concern that we continue to employ our tribal members to utilize their skills after the completion of the casino, that they have placement in future ventures and remain employed. It has also been my responsibility to oversee and monitor the other economic enterprises that the tribe owns and operates, i.e. Chinook Landing Marina, gas stations, and cannabis Dispensaries. That managers and staff are monitored and that spread sheets of growth and development are being achieved. It would also be my assertion that we should continue to seek out new business and economic ventures.

The soundness, safety and security of our people depends on good well-paying jobs, affordable health care, new housing, education, health care and safe and secure surroundings for our reservation and local community. One of my greatest honors is our new

Elders Service and Wellness Center, to be a witness to construction and completion. It is imperative as a tribe and community to maintain a connection to our elders and know that they are in a safe, secure and sound environment. They are the living link to our past, and we are nothing without them. Our new facility is a credit to the tribe, and a credit to the staff and personnel that provide the care and maintain the wellbeing of our elders: Our facility is a model for Indian Country, and should always be available for our members and their families.

Another issue that inspires me is to continue to aid and support is our school Chief Leschi. From my time as a tribal employee building the new school, watching my children graduate and participate in school activities, it has been a calling to stay involved and continue to support our children. My vision for the school is to enhance education and utilize the parent/staff support of activities back into the classrooms. To accelerate the enthusiasm, camaraderie and commitment of the sports programs and infuse them into the classrooms. That would truly be Chief Leschi Warrior Pride #WarriorFamily.

If we strive to have a secure and sound community i.e. employment, education, health care and housing we must have safety. It was through the tragic events that took my niece's life, that I spearhead a grassroots movement of social justice that helped change Washington State Law. Not since the "Boldt Decision" and the Indian Child Welfare Act have the tribes in Washington State acted collectively to change state law. The Justice for Jackie movement spawned and propelled into action the tribes and voters of Washington State. To take from inactive to law the new De-Escalation and Retraining of all law enforcement personnel in the state. To hold those law enforcement officers accountable for all shooting related incidents and deaths. The people can truly make a change, this law and its vast support are proof positive. My family and I wish to thank each and

every person for their support and contributions in what has been a monumental effort and success.

### Goals

My goals for the future would be to establish a satellite college for our community, a place of learning for youth and adults to want to continue their education. To make a facility to assist to transition into maybe a four year placement or even to a doctoral degree.

On an economic development front, I would advocate for a commercial variety store to be equal to or larger than any Walmart, Target or Outlet Grocery Store. The reasoning being why purchase everyday items from an outside source? Why not meet and provide the daily needs of our people and surrounding community with our own facility? A great deal of money is spent outside of our own community and for no other reason than we don't provide it ourselves. If we can develop our current businesses why not one of this nature and necessity? It would in turn enhance our dividends and revenue, provide need jobs and provide for ourselves the basics for everyday living and livelihood.

Another essential need is a rehabilitation center, we need to have a safe sound and secure environment for people's sobriety or wellbriety. Not a facility of doom and gloom, but a place a setting of encouragement and support for those who want it. A place where we can infuse and interface our culture and tradition and its importance in our everyday walk of life, that ideology isn't just for ones who seek treatment but for all of us who call ourselves members of the Puyallup Tribe.

Again, thank you for all your support and hope you will continue to support me in the upcoming election cycle. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

All my Relations,

James JimJim Rideout



## James V. Miles Sr.

Dear Puyallup Tribal Members,

### **I am seeking your support and vote in this year's election for Puyallup Tribal Council 2020.**

First, please allow me to introduce myself. My name is James V. Miles Sr. I am a husband to my wonderful wife Katherine and father to 5 beautiful children. My parents are Judith June Spottedeagle-Miles and William Steve Miles. I'm also one of many grandchildren of Mary Miles Frank. I have grown up around our tribe and it has been part of me as long as I can remember. I have spent the majority of my adult life working for the betterment of our tribe. I am a former tribal council member (2007-2010) and I have over 25 years of experience working with and for our tribe. I am devoted to the betterment of the Puyallup People, and I am committed to being here EACH and EVERY day HERE AT HOME, helping strengthen an agenda that focuses on issues that our Tribal Members and their families face on a daily basis.

Secondly, I would like to express immense gratitude to each and every one of our past and present tribal council members and their families for their service. I am grateful, because if it was not for the work and sacrifices our ancestors and elders, we would not be where we are today, nor would we have what we have today. So, I honor their sacrifices. As your council member we can work together for the betterment of our tribe, we can work together for a better today and a better tomorrow.

As for me I believe a Puyallup Tribal Council Member, is a trustee and as a trustee there is an obligation to continue to strive to become more knowledgeable, effective and protective of our Tribal resources.

Today we can honor our future while holding on to the teachings of our Elders and that is by striving to achieve a higher quality of life for our people and the generations to come. It is said that "Politicians do what they think is popular and Tribal Leaders do what is right for their people

I believe that in order to properly to address the needs of our people, we first must develop a comprehensive understanding of what we can/ cannot do and or what we should or shouldn't do. I have spent the good part of the last 4 years studying, working, and developing plans specifically that I know will work.

### **Which are but not limited to the following areas:**

**1. Housing.** To me housing is more than just four walls. Housing needs to be safe, suitable, and affordable for all tribal members and their families. We need to work together to establish a realistic plan that includes a wide range of housing opportunities such as, but not limited to: emergency, transitional, clean and sober, rental and home ownership. It is my desire to work with fellow Council Members and departments in order to stabilize our resources by expanding the level of assistance and raising the financial support in the areas of: mortgage, rental, down payment, and crises/emergency programs. We need to increase the focus in these areas because the cost of living is much higher than what it was when the programs was created.

**2. Addiction.** Although addiction and abuse on and off the reservation is not a new issue. I would call to your attention that the present level of addiction has grown to a crisis level in and around our Tribe. This crisis is affecting and impacting our

people our business's in many negative ways. Even though our Tribe has dedicated workers, and offers many different programs, we are losing this battle. I believe that this crisis and the negative impacts of addiction and abuse not only affect our Tribal families and love ones, but it also affects our financial resources. I believe that by working together in an uplifting and supportive way we can help our Tribe strengthen and expand the opportunities that address the **Suffering** in Our Tribal Community.

### **3. Children Social Services.**

Wherever possible, family reunification needs to be a top priority for our tribe and we need to expand and honor the rights of grandparents as caregivers. We need make protection, health and safety a top priority for our children. We need to evaluate what works and disregard what doesn't, because the amount of our children in our tribe's and the state's protective services are at an all-time high. We need proper leadership in this in this area.

### **4. Employment/ Education.**

Presently we have over 1,900 Puyallup Tribal school age children between 4 and 17 years old with the majority living in Pierce, Thurston, and King Counties with about 300 of our children at Chief Leschi Schools. We send over 300 tribal members to college or other forms of higher learning annually.

Education and employment is vital to our future because over the next 5 to 8 years we will have about 800 to 1,100 of our children becoming adults and we need to prepare a place for them in all aspects.

The tribe is one of the top employers in Pierce County, with over 3,200 employees, with 500 Puyallup tribal member employees total throughout

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every entity combined working for our tribe. This is a good thing but with almost 400 of us are working for our government we still have tribal members who still struggle to get: jobs, advancement and or promoted into leadership positions despite the fact that we are one of the top employers in Pierce County. We can strengthen this opportunity by enforcing our Laws of Tribal Member Employment Preference in all hiring and opportunities of promotion.

***“I will be an advocate for our rights of Employment throughout our Tribe in the hopes to create opportunities at all levels for all our people.”***

We are planners, it's in our DNA. Historically we would evaluate the situation and discuss possible outcomes and were able to thrive. I believe that all decisions that involve our Tribal resources of Time and money needs to be filtered through a process that develops an understanding as to how decisions either benefit or negatively impacts our tribal members and their families. This is a core value of our People.

Throughout generations we've had many Tribal leaders that have been great champions for our people in all aspects and as a tribal member and former Council member, I have always been a champion for all things housing as well as a strong advocate for social services and the protection of our children.

***For example*** in my first year on council I was able to work with our Housing Department and Tribal Council to create the Puyallup Tribe's Set Aside Housing Program. These Housing assistance programs were the first of a kind, and funded for the first time in our history. A program tribally funded and exclusively for Puyallup Tribal Members in the amount of 2 million dollars which has grown to around 4 million dollars. In its first year we were able to provide

rental, mortgage and down payment assistance to over 100 Tribal Families and now over a 10 year period these programs have served over 1000 Tribal Families and helped create over 300 new Puyallup Tribal home owners.

Currently this Program provides Housing Assistance to almost 600 Puyallup Tribal Families which is 6 times more than when we started. This was only possible because we were able to work together and look into our future to see that our Members were becoming more and more ineligible for low income housing. As exemplified we were able to first identify the need then we created the programs then we built the department. These housing assistance programs have proven to be a vital service to our people.

We can do this by empowering our membership and by strengthening the way we support, encourage and treat one another. I have had the blessing of being mentored by many of our Elders, past and present, and I hold each and every one of them dear to my heart. One of the things I was taught was that we have a wealth of inheritance that expresses the rich values of family, culture, community, accountability and the protection of our resources.

We can strengthen our Tribe and our tribal community by closing the distance between our strengths and our weaknesses.

With your vote and support, we can work together to help make a better tomorrow.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

James V. Miles Sr., Candidate for Puyallup Tribal Council 2020

The following are examples of my work experience and community contributions on behalf of our Tribe.

***Currently***

Community Surveyor, Housing Set Aside Department  
Puyallup Tribe of Indians

Vice Chairman of the Tribal Gaming Commission/Charity Board  
Puyallup Tribe of Indians

Member of the Emergency Preparedness Team.  
Puyallup Tribe of Indians

***Experience***

Councilman,  
PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS

Member of the Housing Board  
Puyallup Tribal Housing Authority

Vice President  
Puyallup International Inc.

Deputy Executive Officer of Operations  
PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS

Chairman Finance Committee  
PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS

Executive Director of Tribal Gaming Department  
PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS

Chairman and Commissioner  
PUYALLUP TRIBAL GAMING COMMISSION

Tribal Gaming Compact Negotiating Team  
PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS

Director Housing Improvement Program  
PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS

Nationally Certified Building Inspector, (Residential)  
PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS

***Commissions, Boards and Committees:***

Tribal Gaming Commission  
Fireworks Commission  
Election Committee  
Puyallup Tribal Health Authority Board Member



## Tim Reynon

haʔt sləʔil txʷəl gʷəlapu, siʔiʔab dʔiišəd. Good day to you honorable and noble people, my dear people,

Nearly six years ago, you honored me with the privilege of serving you as an elected member of our Tribal Council. I am humbled by your trust, and I sincerely thank you for this opportunity to work along side you to serve our people and our Tribe. I hope that I have honored your trust in return by working hard to bring us together and by bringing about positive changes and a brighter future for everyone in our tribe.

Collaborating with our tribal community and listening to your thoughts and concerns, we achieved much over the past six years. Here's a sample of some of the things we accomplished together:

- ✓ **We built a world-class hotel casino resort and implemented a player tracking system** that will take our gaming and hospitality operations to the next level of success
- ✓ **We made our community safer** through the passage of Initiative 940, the strengthening of relationships with law enforcement, and the adoption of a law that makes human trafficking a crime on our reservation
- ✓ **We strengthened our families and our members** through the implementation of wraparound services that allows our families and members to receive services more effectively and collaboratively
- ✓ **We restored our constitutional rights** to assemble and discuss political issues on our tribal lands by drafting an amendment to the Tribe's Election Code and getting it approved

- ✓ **We increased opportunities for communication** through the establishment of a new Communications Department, quarterly membership meetings and monthly Community Conversation meetings

- ✓ **We declared a climate emergency** and called upon all our tribal departments and entities to make changes to our operations so we can reduce our impact on the environment and protect Mother Earth

- ✓ **We increased the accountability of our tribal government** through the drafting and pending approval of the Tribal Council Code of Conduct, the approval and implementation of the anti-bullying campaign, and the increased communication opportunities discussed above

- ✓ **We revitalized and integrated our culture and our language** into our tribal government and programs to the point where our culture and language are practiced in many of our members' homes and daily lives

- ✓ **We united our tribe and brought our tribal community together** like never before as we fought PSE's LNG plant and came together to pass Initiative 940, and as we celebrated special occasions through the numerous activities and events that we've held throughout the years

Results like these come from collaboration, hard work, and experience. Even though we have accomplished much, our work is far from done. **The challenges we may face** in the next few years from the current administration in Washington, D.C. and here at home in our own community, will take more hard work and dedication and **will require experienced and competent leaders** who can successfully take on these challenges and protect

and preserve our sovereignty, our resources, and our families. We need a Tribal Council that is up to the task, with the experience and knowledge needed to lead our Tribe into a brighter future. **I am ready to take on these challenges** with you and the rest of our Council, and **that is why I humbly ask for your continued support in this year's Tribal Council elections.**

If given the opportunity to continue the work we started together, **I will stand strong against the attacks from Washington, D.C. on our tribal sovereignty, our lands, and resources.**

**We will continue to strengthen our families and our members** by implementing our traditional restorative practices through the establishment of a Family Healing to Wellness Court within our tribal child welfare system.

**We will continue to find ways to strengthen our youth, take care of our elders, and make our streets safer.**

**We will continue to find ways to strengthen and diversify our tribal economy.**

**We will continue to find ways to make our operations and our economy greener.**

**We need strong, honest, ethical, and experienced leadership** who will lead us through these uncertain and perilous times and **who will help pave the way to a more prosperous future for all of us.**

**With your continued guidance, support, and your vote, I will continue to provide that leadership, and, TOGETHER, we will BUILD A BRIGHTER FUTURE** for our Tribe and our future generations.

**I respectfully ask that you honor me once again with your renewed trust, and your vote on April 4th.**



# Archie Cantrell

haʔt sləʃil txʷəl gʷəlapu siʔiʔab. Archie Cantrell ti dsdaʔ.

Good day to you honorable people, my name is Archie Cantrell.

I am the proud son of the late Wayne Cantrell and Linda Weeks and the grandson of Prudence Matheson from the Young family. I have two beautiful daughters and have had the privilege of being a certified foster parent for the last 12 years.

I am respectfully asking for your support in this year's Tribal Council election.

### Education:

Over the years, members of the Tribe have identified they want Council Members that are qualified to serve the membership. This inspired me to go back to school. Currently, I am finishing up my Bachelors of Science in Business, and have attained certificates in Project Management, General Management and Native American Education from the University of Washington.

### Natural Resources:

I've worked for the Puyallup Tribe for 16 years. I spent 10 years working in the Natural Resources department as a Fisheries Technician. I assisted in all aspects of protecting and enhancing our salmon, which is one of our Tribe's most valued resources. During this time, I built relationships with local Tribes as well as members of the Washington State Government.

### Committees, Commissions, Policy, Tribal Constitution and Bylaws:

I have had the privilege of serving on several of our Tribal Committees such as the Youth Committee,

Fireworks Commission and the Fisheries Commission. This work gave me a better understanding of our Tribal Constitution and Bylaws, and it has allowed me to focus on improving areas that need revising. This has shown me how to comprehend and develop policies that have created advancement as we have grown as a tribe.

### Tribal Youth:

In addition to serving as Chairman of the Youth Committee (2006-2015), I have also worked as a Youth Coordinator. These experiences afforded me the opportunity to work one-on-one with our youth, and encourage them to grow as future leaders. I have also been involved at Chief Leschi Schools for a number of years; teaching language, assisting in Song and Dance, leading Circle and being a positive role model.

### Language, Culture and Community Involvement:

I currently serve as a Language Instructor for the Puyallup Tribe, and have achieved my level 2 certification in the Lushootseed Language. This position allows me to work closely with members of our community to grow their language use through online classes, traditional storytelling, community events and developing materials for their use. At Chief Leschi Schools, I consistently meet with administrators, staff, and students to better understand how we can lead our youth into a positive future.

### Exercising Treaty Rights:

I enjoy participating in activities alongside my fellow Tribal Members and family. This includes exercising our Treaty Rights as an active hunter, commercial harvester of salmon, crab, shrimp and geoduck. These are rights our ancestors fought for. We need to continue that fight.

### Our Future:

Some of the immediate issues I see in our community are:

- **18 Money Distribution**
- **Economic Development**
- **Natural Resources**
- **Chief Leschi Schools**
- **Supporting Tribal Business Owners**
- **Housing**

I pride myself on leading by example. I sincerely appreciate the dedication of all of our past leaders. I look forward to working with the current Tribal Council members to bring new ideas, while respectfully honoring our proud heritage. I acknowledge and appreciate all Tribal Members and employees for their hard work and commitment to our community.

I am a PROUD member of the Puyallup Tribe. Together, we can make our future as bright as it can possibly be.

With Love and Respect,  
Archie Cantrell

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**Todd Wescott**

## **HONOR OUR HISTORY, EMPOWER OUR YOUTH, PROSPERITY OF OUR FAMILIES**

Greetings Fellow Membership,

My name is Todd Wescott and I am honored to be submitting my name for Tribal Council. I am the grandson of Frank Wrolson, son of Shirley Chrisman (Wrolson).

I have had the pleasure of serving the Tribe, the membership, and community for 24 years with the Puyallup Tribal Police Department. I've had the great opportunity to serve under many tribal councils during those years. My career has taught me the importance of being fair, objective and open minded. To be professional and respectful to the membership and community I am serving.

I have no hidden agendas in my candidacy for Tribal Council. A few points of interest: the ongoing problems and issues of homeless in our communities and properties. I believe in the importance of programs and youth activities as our community combat's drug use and gang violence. Our youth is the future of our tribe. Continued elder programs and events. Economic development through Marine View Ventures and the continued dominance of the EQC. Being a geoduck diver, boat owner and hunter, I see importance of hunting, fishing and shellfish issues while protecting our sovereignty and natural resources. TERO, technical

and trade skills with job placement, higher education, continued training and advancement of tribal members and spouses within the departments of the tribe.

I am always open to hear your concerns and issues.

Thank you for your vote April 4th.



# Manuel Madrigal-McCloud

Dear Puyallup Tribe,

My name is Manuel Madrigal-McCloud, my grandmother is Connie McCloud and my mother is Lena McCloud. I am 25 years old and I'm running for Puyallup Tribal Council 2020. I am a Chief Leschi Schools alumnus and I currently serve you at our Puyallup Tribal Court system. I believe it is time to revitalize our community in a way that truly represents what our young people deserve. It is about time we put our money where our mouth is and make the investment in our promises. It is more important than ever that we work to bring together our membership as often as possible. I am asking for your vote in hopes of ensuring health, happiness, and generosity for the Puyallup People as we move into the future. I will be committed to the expansion of our Culture and

Language departments. I believe we need projects that go beyond our Climate Crisis Declaration with real inclusion of our youth. As a councilman I will work with students, parents, and staff to move CLS into a brighter future. Voter turnout has always been a concern of mine. If elected I will be proposing changes to our voting process with the return of school board elections at CLS. There is nothing the Puyallup People cannot do, especially in 2020. I cannot wait to share more with you during this time as we seek new leadership!

***“Whatever the future holds, do not forget who you are. Teach your children, teach your children’s children, and then teach their children also. Teach them the pride of a great people... A time will come again when they will celebrate together with joy. When that happens my spirit will be there with you”***

— Chief Leschi, Nisqually

Feel free to reach out to me at (253) 459-3517 or at mccloud253wa@outlook.com - Find me on Facebook!

**Vote Saturday April 4th, 2020**

**Sincerely,  
Manuel Madrigal-McCloud  
for  
Puyallup Tribal Council 2020**

**Manuel is The Man, The Future is Now**



## Jason Michael Dillon

### Hello Puyallup Nation

My name is Jason Michael Dillon #01423. I humbly ask for your support in the 2020 Elections. I am running for Tribal Council for a chance to do something good for our Tribe and people. I'm an enrolled Tribal Member.

### My parents are:

Father Harry Dillon Jr. (Puyallup)  
Mother Brenda Mccloud (Puyallup)

### Grandparents are:

Jack & Josie McCloud from Nisqually/Puyallup

Harry Dillon Sr. (Puyallup) Margie Corwin (Quinault)

I've lived on the reservation for over 25 years, watching the tribe grow. I've worked for the tribe and tribally owned businesses for the last 30 years. Including BJ's Bingo Hall, EQC Pit Manager, and currently CBC Security staff.

I'm not only asking for you to trust me to do the job you vote me in for, I'm promising you to work hard to

help every member with any issue. To be able to provide support and to hear our membership with the day to day struggles we face here on the reservation. Let's be proactive instead of reactive...

### Thank you for your time and your vote.

Sincerely,

Jason M Dillon



## Gina Williams-LaPointe

I humbly ask for your support in the upcoming Primary Election for Tribal Council. If I am fortunate enough to be elected, not only will I listen to what you have to say but I will hear what you have to say because **YOU MATTER**. Too often Tribal members have shared with me that you feel like you're never listened to let alone even be heard when you have an issue. I want to change that and the best way for me to make certain every Tribal member has the opportunity to be heard is to become an elected member of your Tribal Council and that is the basis for my coming before you today to ask for your support in the upcoming Primary Election. I do this because **YOU MATTER** that is the true purpose of a committed Tribal Council member. ....it is as simple as that.

It has been my experience as the Director of both Workforce Development and Clean Our Rez (COR) departments that each Tribal member brings a unique set of talents. It is with caring support, that I assist our Tribal members into a seamless transition into employment. The goal is to build upon those successes. I am accustomed to listening to Tribal members' needs and concerns in great detail. Being of service to our Tribal membership for many years has always given me a great sense of pride.

When it comes to providing assistance and support to our Tribal members, it should be done with the utmost respect. I absolutely understand the importance of receiving a prompt response when seeking help because I've listened and heard what you've had to say **YOU MATTER!** I am a dedicated, capable, and motivated Tribal member that prefers to lead

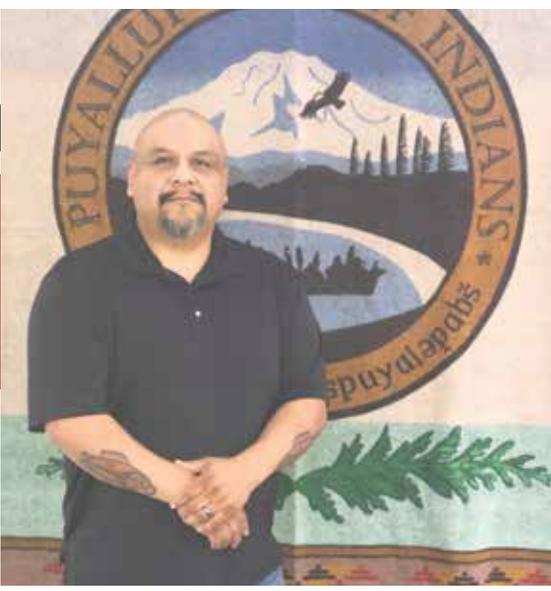
by example. Please, allow me the continued privilege of serving you as your humble servant by electing me as a member to your Tribal Council.

Let's continue to build upon in a positive way on what has been developed and established by the sweat and tears of our elders of today and those that have gone before us resulting in all that we are blessed to have today for our wonderful and most powerful of Tribes, our Puyallup Tribe! **YOU MATTER!**

I will be reaching out to you to continue to listen and hear what you have to say because **YOU MATTER!** Please watch for your Absentee Request to come in the mail and fill out your request and send it back.

Gina Williams LaPointe

253-999-3115



## Fred Dillon

Good day Puyallup Tribal membership,

My name is Frederick T. Dillon, and I would like to announce that I have submitted my name for the 2020 Puyallup Tribal Council Elections.

For those that may not know me, I am the grandson of the late Alvina and Frederick "Dutch Man" Dillon, and the son of Susan E. Dillon. I have two sisters and three brothers. I am the father of eight kids; 4 girls and 4 boys, and the grandfather of 12 grandchildren. I am gratefully married to my wife, Jessica J. Dillon. I have many aunts, uncles and cousins that I have a lot of love and respect for, for helping me become the man I am today. One of my aunties; Sylvia Miller, is a great mentor and leader and is currently serving on Tribal Council. Also, one of my uncles, is the late Herman Dillon Sr., he served 40 years on Tribal Council; where most of those years was as chairman. I am so proud of him; he was one of my biggest mentors and is greatly missed.

I was born and raised my whole life here on the Puyallup reservation. I went to Chief Leschi School and was fortunate enough to be a part of the amazing opportunities in our community from selling fireworks with family and friends, to hunting and fishing with my grandpa, aunties, uncles and cousins. Currently, I still carry on these opportunities and traditions to the younger generation with my kids, grandkids, nieces and nephews.

I started working for our tribe at the age of 14 through JTPA. From then, I've worked several jobs throughout our tribal entities, such as; Chief Leschi School, Chinook Landing Marina, Puyallup Tribal Bingo Palace, and Puyallup Tribal Fisheries. I am currently the Policy Representative for Natural Resources,

where I fight strongly to protect and preserve our treaty rights. I am currently on the bullying committee and a member of WATCH DOGS (Dads of Great Students) at Chief Leschi School, which gives me the opportunity to mentor our youth in school in a positive leadership role. I have also helped out with the youth committee events for the past several years and enjoy helping anytime I can. My family and I have also enjoyed participating along with my late brother Richard Gutierrez, on canoe journeys. I have sat proudly on the Fish Commission and Shellfish Commission. I am also currently on the N.W.I.F.C. (North West Indian Fish Commission) as an alternate commissioner for our tribe. Sitting at the tables I have got mentored by many great leaders in Indian Country, such as; Georgianna (Auntie Porgie) Kautz, and the late Billy Frank Jr. As you can see, my heart is within preserving and protecting our sovereignty and treaty rights such as hunting, fishing, and gathering. I want to keep our cultural and traditional ways alive. If given the opportunity to serve our membership; as a leader on Tribal Council, these are some of the things I would work on; Honesty, Leadership, Integrity, Fairness, Loyalty, and Unity.

### **Here are some of the issues I would like to address.**

#### **Drug-Alcohol addiction – Treatment Recovery**

Find alternative resources and improve what we have now. I will do my best to find a way to give purpose to our people. Alcohol and drug addiction is not our way. I will look into what the wrap-around programs and Kwawachee is doing and help improve the resources.

#### **Homeless –**

Why is it so bad? What did others do to solve it in their community, and figure out what will work best for us. I will work on this by talking with local communities/cities and see how they address it.

#### **Crime –**

I believe we are only as safe as what we allow. We need to enforce our laws and as leaders, we need to back up and hold people accountable for their actions. Our law enforcement is only as good as what we enforce. We can't expect anger to obey our laws if our leadership doesn't follow them fully.

#### **Education –**

Education is a must. We must not lose ourselves in books though. Chief Leschi is our school; why don't we have the best education and educators for our youth? I will do my best to make sure our kids get the best as well as any adult that wants to better their education. Our tribal members should get all the help we have to offer.

#### **Government to Government –**

As I am very aware of this issue, I know the lack of working together. I will continue to work hard to bring both sides to the table, remind them of our treaty rights and the obligation to work with us.

#### **Culture Traditions –**

Our culture and traditions are alive and thriving and I will commit myself to give all the support to keep it going. This is what we are first and foremost. I would like to get culture center, such as a long house. A place to go for gatherings and ceremonies.

I would like to also continue on improving our Elder care, child care, housing, gaming, future economic developments, and improve our tribe and membership to be the best they can be.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter. I hope to have your support and vote in this upcoming election. If you have any questions, or would like to talk, please do not hesitate to contact me. I would like to wish all the candidates good luck and I know we all have something great to bring to the big table.

Frederick T. Dillon  
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## Deonah McCloud

Hello, my name is Deonah McCloud. Over the past 26 years I have actively contributed to some of the many platforms that have become integral facets of our tribe, such as Southern Lushootseed Language, Education

and Culture. Many of you know me now as the Assistant Director of the Grandview Early Learning Center. Over the years I have accumulated a Bachelor's Degree from The Evergreen State College, I have traveled to be involved in many tribal trainings designed with a directive focused on the shared concerns we face today in our tribal community here at home.

As a Puyallup tribal member, I know that we as a people can proactively bring positive and progressive change to our future together. I am putting in my candidacy for council so that I may have the opportunity to represent our people in making these concepts a reality.



**Roberta Basch**

## For Future and Past

haʔt sləxil puyaləpabš syayayəʔ  
Good day Puyallup Tribal Family,

I humbly ask for your support in the 2020 Puyallup Tribal election.

### ABOUT ME

- I am Roberta Basch. My dad was Reuben Wright, Sr., and my mom was Elaine Campbell. My husband is Dick Basch from Clatsop-Nehalem and Siletz tribes. My children are Chris Briden, Mike Briden, Charlotte Basch, and Lorraine Basch.
- My first official job was as the Tribe's very first secretary when our only office was in the old Church Fireside Room. I'm now the Native Outreach Coordinator at Salish Cancer Center. In between I've had various jobs from the Tribe's General Manager, to a parent-trainer. My most meaningful work was teaching our language at Chief Leschi and Antioch University, as well as interning in our Culture Department while learning from Native Healers. All along, I've continued to stand for our rights, beliefs, and values here at home, and across the country.
- Despite dropping out of high school, I eventually earned a degree in Business, then a Master's in Public Administration. I later returned to school to earn a BA in Indian Studies emphasizing Native Traditional Healing while interning for the Tribe and studying with Native Healers. I'm currently in my third year of an Indigenous-centered PhD program out of New Zealand, studying our Cultural Values and Native Healing. Through my journey in education, I've come to recognize the importance of culturally relevant education for Native students.

### WHY I'M RUNNING FOR COUNCIL

As a Council person I can dedicate myself to helping us live who we truly are through every part of our community, organizations, and businesses.

**We are all Family. We are all the inheritors of our ancestors' stories, songs, dances, art, language, land, and love for one another. Our duty is to care for what they have left us, for both our future and our past.**

- I will bridge generations and integrate our traditional Puyallup values into everything we own and everything we do.
- I will value family connections that cut through time, reservation lines, policy and procedure, and above money.
- I will continue to support all our people who sing in our circles, protect our natural resources, and who learn and teach our language.
- I will ensure that everyone in our community has increased opportunities to learn from each other and to celebrate the riches our ancestors fought for.

**Our businesses and organizations continue to grow, requiring us to work harder to balance our values with economic growth.**

- I will reach out to you to learn more about our Puyallup-specific values and needs, and incorporate them into each decision about our organization, businesses, education, housing, per capita, natural resources etc.
- I will assure that our staff are given an orientation and introduction to the Puyallup people, history, and cultural values.
- I will creatively think about and act on developing opportunities that reflect our values to advance our Puyallup Tribal citizens.

**We must honor, stand up for, and defend our salmon, waters, and homelands.**

- I will continue to learn and teach others the lessons our ancestors left for us, including our ways of respecting and enhancing our relationship with the natural environment.
- I will uplift our children and young people to become leaders, teachers, and stewards to promote our traditional ways.
- I will assure we walk the talk by doing our part to decrease waste, work to become carbon neutral, and become a leader in the environmental movement.

**I will bring together the future and the past.**

I'm running for Council because as family, we must consider our future and our past to heal and celebrate our present!

Do you have ideas for the future? Please contact me at [RobertaforCouncil@gmail.com](mailto:RobertaforCouncil@gmail.com).

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I am grateful to you all.

Roberta (tsutsəblu)



# Michelle L. McClendon

## FOR THE spuyaləpabš

**Proven champion of the people with a high adaptability for solving complex problems by enduring to make REAL change**

I humbly express my appreciation your consideration of representing, you, honorable tribal members of the Puyallup Nation.

With great prospect for nobility, I am the third-generation descendant, and granddaughter of the late Baptista M. Young Bean and Thomas Z. Bean. Second generation descendant and daughter of JoAnne Bean – Business Tax Licensor, and Willie McClendon – EQC TGA gaming agent, retired military.

It is with great humility I share with you my resilience for a dynamic expression of leadership. Throughout 11-1/2 years I've had a most empowered journey of authentic sacrifice. RISING, time and again, to the top of my goals in moments of adversity. Exhausting my team, project teams, our managers, and our leaders in the overall dynamics of surging exponential growth in the social-economic representation of employment rights.

**Flexing my intelligence by fully resourcing tribal sovereignty. Putting the best minds and facts into action. Together we accomplished many milestones in the development, and creation of:**

- Job opportunities
- Tribal apprenticeship & mentoring
- Tribal leadership
- Monetary negotiation & Settlement
- Gauging interdepartmental knowledge
- Adoption of new policy
- Resources
- Significantly minimizing use of tribal budget to take advantage other program resources
- Overturning of human capital
- The exercise of Tribal sovereignty and tax collection in new ways

- Holding city, state, tribal governments... their departments, programs, COMMERCIAL ENTITIES, and contractors responsible to following the law

With my natural love of knowledge and ability for high performance. I've been esteemed to be recognized on both the community and national levels of business and employment rights.

**It has been an honor to have represented my tribe. More specifically, those:**

- Individuals in community partnership
- 40 years and older
- Military
- High School
- in correctional transition
- struggling through adversity as women
- homelessness...
- or dealing with any sort of visible or hidden barrier effecting their personal work-life
- family, and, overall community — in the micro, mezzo, and macro levels of self-sufficiency.

Given our unique political establishment umbrellaed under the United States Constitution, tribal programs are at the frustration our own self-governing with the threat to make, enforce, and enact our own laws. It is undeniable the insurmountable agenda that opens a door for shady politics. Often hidden within convolution, many programs experience the outdated remnants lying within a set of systems meant for the broken social well-being of tribal members in making programs and their staff work harder. This going against any programs compliance efforts that would deteriorate the process for overall

effectiveness in the maintaining of confidentiality and objectivity, in gaining the trust our tribal members.

### Skills and Experience:

- Compliance and Enforcement
- Legal/Policy/Regulatory
- Investigation/Negotiation/Mediation
- Human Resource
- Financial Wellness
- Business Management
- Project Management Construction
- Counseling /Trauma
- US Federal/Discriminatory laws

Cross referencing many tribal codes, the Land Claims Settlement and federal laws for effective partnership and negotiation. I've gone beyond the far reaches in the continued disarmament of titans. Following the footsteps of those before me as an infectious leader by making history of real, enduring social-economic change.

### The Family Dynamic

We must put more interest in our tribal woman and men. Tribal women are the essential dynamic to everything that diversely protects our culture and sustainability, at the destructive inequality of men. The day we fail to protect our women, is the day we set the discourse that fails so many our generations to follow, and we know that time is already here. With the rise of new technology, information, financial crisis, access to health, mental disabilities, and addictions, etc., we have witnessed a new hybrid of issues in cross cultural relationships that is becoming a huge problem in the tribal family. Adversely having an impact on the emphasis of tribes putting forth the

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time, development, and the general interest of programs garnered toward the majority population our tribal men. This is necessary in understanding the individual hidden barriers at the deterrent our breeding majority population of strong tribal families and the re-integration of our men back into cultural inclusion.

In the child rearing ages often between the 20- 30- somethings, we are seeing the adverse impacts experienced by Puyallup tribal children in reflection the above-mentioned dynamic for their parent's barriers. These barriers that transmute across the successes and failures are at the testament of whether the Puyallup Tribe child sustainability to successfully rise out of the barrier. This also not going so much as to continue within the long histories of displacement of children into other families – this strikes its own dynamic for barriers. More often than likely most of us have had to grow up as children having to experience the need of having to protect ourselves and other children in our family that against against the very innate quality of children being children. Further, making it difficult for these individuals to do well in school, resort to drugs, gang relations, bullying, and with further implications that regress their ability to sustain.

At the embodiment of many of these issues is the growing generation of elders to have not only experienced the plight of their own generational influences and changes, but, finding themselves in the mix of having to relate back in the misunderstandings and miscommunications with the before mentioned in the hybrid of these barriers. We've created a certain co-dependence, all while experiencing their own barriers to naturally withstand the mental, physical attributes, and hidden biases that they are challenged with age – the potential of job loss,

mobility, housing, aftermath of healing from divorce, establishing unhealthy co-dependence of their children as adults in the loss of divorce, that often perpetuates the hidden traumas for abuse, in the mix of all of the aforementioned need of resources. This instilling the long-term effects that breakdown the nuclear sustainability of the tribal family.

### **Conclusion**

It is unquestionable, we have reached an era of politics at its greatest need of trans formative recovery. When we look at inequalities of macroeconomics in the framework of larger society. In contrast the “status quo” of tribal communities - when we think about the general welfare of our people, and what we are capable of our resources — land use, port development, student outcomes, etc. We've reached a point of overarching socio-economic dysfunction at the deterrent our sovereign-economic health.

On a micro level, what we experience is the membership getting left behind. Clouded, by the spotlights we see some people, some families harnessing.

I ask... what has this false reality done for you? For the ones who have the power? Have the privilege?

They have not fallen at our darkest, nor, deepest despairs. To push through the thresholds every day. Sharing within your struggle. In the disheartened inequality of balance, to bring you back. Until your family is in the pitfalls at the tyranny of inequality of balance. Only to take from you that spotlight, once again in aftermath. Because THAT's where we are made to believe politics care.

The day we relinquish biases against those members who actually have something different

to think, and gainfully contribute in the thresholds, can we begin to re-distribute the imbalance for attention to the non-progression of programs, and people. At the issue of surface level mediocrity... we complain amongst ourselves.

This is never more so critical in this 21st century. As the world is at the force of hybrid issues. While we want to keep our kids, ourselves, and families, healthy, alive, and safe. Our natural resources - the mountains, our water, and salmon, ecologically sustainable. Our vulnerable ones with the support, plentiful resources, and our authentic hearts.

We credit movements and the publicity to shed light on issues, and yet, we are missing the “movers and shakers”. The ones hidden behind the scenes. Honing their investigative craft. With the proven ability to transgress such objectivity with the passions, and great magnitude for energy. Fighting in this battle of corporate corruptions, and government leveled titans, in the turnover our greater sovereign-economic progress for awakening.

And so, it is with my proven energy, I ask for your support and your vote this election day. To bring back balance with the sacrificial love for community.

I credit all of my encounters as mentors and learned lessons to have emulated my successes. The ability to continue to do what is right objectively for everybody, and all my relations - the generations of diverse power influences to have impacted my ability to overcome adversity with the resilience for all-inclusive community involvement.

I look forward to the opportunity in gaining your trust for greater responsibility. Contact [mcclendon.ml@outlook.com](mailto:mcclendon.ml@outlook.com)

**ELECT MICHELLE 2020**

**HONESTY \* CONSISTENCY \* IMPARTIALITY \* DIVERSITY**

**2020 Primary Election**



## FRANK J.L. EARL SR.

I am Frank Joseph Lewis Earl and I am submitting my name for Tribal Council.

I am a Puyallup tribal member, fisherman, geoduck diver, crabber, father, uncle, grandfather, and an active participant in my tribal community and its culture.

My father is Frank Chester Earl and my mother is Louisa Susanna Kine aka Windy. My grandparents are Alma Satiacum Earl and Joseph Earl. My great grandparents are Chester Satiacum Sr. and Dorothy Reed Satiacum.

I am looking to be the change in that our leadership desperately needs. I feel that the voice of the people, the many and not the few, needs to be present at the decision-making table. I would like to be that loud and present voice of our people.

The main areas that I would start focusing on are natural resources, housing for our people, and Chief Leschi. These are not the only needed areas of change, but I feel they are where I would begin.

The first and most important part of our natural resources is their sustainability. We need to promote the growth of our shellfish and its population for our future generations.

We need to reign in our rogue biologist and check her decision making concerning our hunting grounds. Is her decision making self-serving or actually for the benefit of the tribe? Why are we closing more grounds instead of making more areas available to tribal members? Another subject of importance is putting money towards the protection and survival of the salmon. Along with the protection of the salmon is the fight with the invasive sea lions that are not indigenous to the Puget Sound. Our resources need to be secured for future generations.

Housing is a high priority due to the lack of affordable housing in the Puget Sound area. Many reservation tribal members suffer from high rents and unnecessary evictions. I would like to work hand and hand with the Housing Director and staff to ensure that all members, especially our elders and future generations, have a place to come home to. We also need to increase the set aside and the down payment program to help members buy houses and stay in them. We have the resources to ensure all tribal members have viable and sustainable housing. We need to use them.

A major of change that needs to be concentrated on is our school, Chief Leschi. I would work with the school's administration to bring back a solid academic based core curriculum to ensure the education

of our children to compete not just in the tribal setting but in the public sector. We need to obtain and promote talent from the community instead of constantly outsourcing to non-tribal members who may not have our students' best interest in mind. I would work to establish a high structure behavioral system throughout the school. It would focus on respect, basic cultural etiquette, and academic manners. Just like our ceremonies, social gatherings, and family structure that has set protocol and etiquette that we routinely teach to maintain the respect and integrity of the people participating. Lastly, I would like to concentrate on building up extracurricular activities with leaders and coaches who could promote health and physical well being amongst our youth. We need social activities in the school that could unite the community with pride in our athletes and the school. I would build all this in together to bring healing to our school and its commitment to the community and its education of students. Our future leaders of the tribe.

A vote for me would be a vote for change in the direction we are heading. To build up these areas in order to promote sustainability for our resources, our members, and our future members.

Thank you for your consideration.  
Sincerely,  
Frank Earl Sr.

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