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PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE

# COMMUNITY MEMO

## FEBRUARY 17, 2026

### Frequently Contacted Numbers

Billing Office: 360-297-6235

Career & Education: 360-297-6317

Community Outreach:  
360-297-9678

Early Childhood: 360-297-6300

Elders': 360-297-9630

Enrollment: 360-297-6217

Front Desk: 360-297-2646

Health Services: 360-297-2840

Housing: 360-297-6350 Ext 5827

Natural Resources: 360-297-6294

Public Safety: 360-297-9666

### Special General Council Survey

Tribal Council hosts informational Zoom sessions to the General Council highlighting our various departments, programs and entities.

We'd like the General Council's input in selecting 5 topics that you would like to see a presentation from this year.

Please take a few minutes to complete the survey by Friday February 20th.

Scan the QR code below



# CAREER & EDUCATION

The Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe Career & Education Department is now accepting proposals for a Language Consultant to support our language revitalization grant work.

This opportunity will help guide curriculum development, community engagement, and culturally grounded language programming.

Please see the PGST website for full RFP details, scope of work, and submission deadlines.

# COURT

## **Survivor and Victim Services**

If you feel unsafe and need help for yourself or someone you care about, as an advocate, we provide confidential help, safety planning, resources/referrals, education, and empowerment contact Teresa Swope at 360-297-6304 or via email at [tswope@pgst.nsn.us](mailto:tswope@pgst.nsn.us)

# CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES

## **Office Hours**

As a reminder that the CFS Office is Closed for Lunch daily from 11:45am to 1:15pm No staff will be there to offer assistance/benefits during that time.

## **LIHEAP**

is now open and accepting applications. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Current bill due, showing a balanced owed, income or statement of no income and a completed application can be sent to Jacob Sullivan at [jpsullivan@pgst.nsn.us](mailto:jpsullivan@pgst.nsn.us) or to Sandra Horton at [shorton@pgst.nsn.us](mailto:shorton@pgst.nsn.us). Any questions please contact Jacob at 360.297.9652 or Sandra at 360.297.9650 Applications are available in Children and Family Services.

# CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

## Family Assistance Program Happening

### TANF

Is always operating.

We now have two case managers to help assist tribal members who may qualify for the program, if you have questions please contact Sandra Horton. [shorton@pgst.nsn.us](mailto:shorton@pgst.nsn.us) or via phone or text at (564)245-0492

### Food Bank

The food bank is open from 8-11:45 and 1:15-4:00pm Monday through Friday, please come into the Children and Family Services Building and speak with Miranda at the front desk.

As a gentle reminder each family may use the food bank once a week and we ask you to wait in the lobby or in your car while a CFS Staff member assists.

## Elder's Program Meal Service

Elder's meals are available for pick-up only between 11:30am -12:30pm.

We enjoy all the participants coming for the delicious meals prepared by staff but if you do not regularly participate in the lunch program, you need to call the kitchen at 360-297-9627 so we can plan accordingly.

### Developmental Disabilities Community Services D.D.C.S.

Will be available for information and sign up on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month in the elders center from 9am to 1pm along side Consumer direct care Washington to help people get through the hiring process to become care providers if they have any questions contact 360-297-9600 or text 360-9731-0637

# ENROLLMENT

Enrollment & Tribal Records  
The Enrollment & Tribal Records department is committed to helping with the enrollment of members, family trees, ordering birth certificates, etc. as well as, maintaining tribal records and archives.

The Enrollment department can order birth certificates for those needing them to go through the enrollment process and administer DNA. You can also get a reimbursement for Washington State enhanced ID's.

Please reach out to Jordan DeCoteau if you have any questions or would like more information. You can reach her by email at [enrollment@pgst.nsn.us](mailto:enrollment@pgst.nsn.us) or phone at 360-297-6217.

## Enrollment Application Deadline for Spring General Council

The Spring General Council is fast approaching. For the Enrollment Department to process applications and get the enrollment ballot approved, the deadline to submit an enrollment applications is February 25th, 2026.

Please submit the enrollment application and all corresponding documents to the enrollment clerk, no later than 4:30 pm on Wednesday, February 25th, 2026.

You can get an application from the clerk, on the website, or from the front desk.



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# HEALTH

## CULTURE

Rowan Bunich, Cultural Program Assistant:

360-297-9656,

rbunich@pgst.nsn.us

Alicia Fulton, Cultural Programs Manager:

360-297-9657,

aliciaf@pgst.nsn.us

## HOUSING

### Housing Office Hours for 2026

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 8 am-4:30 PM daily lunch closure from 12-1.

Thursdays the office is open by appointment only.

### CHR's:

Call 360-297-9633 to speak with a member of our team, we offer health transports and assistance with the pick up/delivery of prescription delivery

### Dental and Medical Clinic:

Call 360-297-2840 to schedule an appointment or speak to a receptionist.

Mental health support line: 988  
Call or text 988 for 24/7 mental health emergency support.  
Press 4 for Native & Strong Lifeline

### Public Health:

After hours Triage Nurse line  
360-297-9613

Saturday Urgent Care Clinic hours are 9am to 5pm, closed for lunch 12pm to 1pm.

If you are experiencing a medical emergency call 911

# PUBLIC SAFETY

As always we ask you to utilize the Kitsap 911 system for any law enforcement needs, we try to limit the amount of time officers are in the office. The 911 system is the quickest and most efficient way to contact your officers. The Kitsap 911 system handles both non-emergency and emergency calls.

## Notice of Exclusion

Joseph O Ehrhardt  
James Michael Lineback  
Maesen Michael Lineback  
Anthony L. Casillas

Notice to the Community:  
Harboring an excluded person is a crime. Any individual who harbors or allows an excluded person in their home can be charged with a Class C Offense. Please call 911 to report excluded individuals on the reservation.

# TRIBAL COUNCIL

When: Monday, February 23,  
2026  
Where: Tribal Council Chambers  
Time: 9:15am

When: March 9 , 2026  
Where: Tribal Council Chamber  
Time: 9:15am

## Spring General Council

When: Saturday -  
March 28, 2026  
Time: 9:00am

Scan Me to be sent  
to the Tribal Council info.  
page on the PGST Website





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# OPEN POSITIONS

## 02/02/26

MEDICAL  
ASSISTANT-  
TUES-SAT

TEMPORARY- ACCTS  
RECEIVABLE  
G&C COLLECTION  
SPECIALIST

MENTAL HEALTH  
COUNSELOR

PUBLIC SAFETY  
OFFICER I & II

TRIBAL CUSTODIAN  
ON-CALL

EC CLASSROOM  
ASSISTANT ON-  
CALL

TO APPLY SCAN THE QR CODE OR SEE OUR WEBSITE AT  
[HTTPS://WWW.PGST.NSN.US/EMPLOYMENT.](https://www.pgst.nsn.us/employment)



CONTACT BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00AM-4:30PM. MAIL CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE  
TRIBAL CENTER IN THE HUMAN RESOURCES BOX.

JENNIFER WRIGHT-TOM, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II: (360) 297-6258  
[CONTACT WITH GENERAL HR QUESTIONS AND SHE WILL DIRECT YOUR CALL]

AUDREENA TOM, RECRUITER: (360) 297-6218  
[CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS ABOUT JOB POSTINGS]

# FEBRUARY IS TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

This years theme is Real Love Respects

This year's theme cuts through the noise by focusing on what real love should look and feel like. In a world full of mixed messages, this theme centers around one truth: respect is non-negotiable. It empowers youth to recognize harmful patterns early and to expect more from love. Because respect is everything, it's earned, it's honest, and it never makes you question your worth.

Remember: If it's real, it's respectful.  
From Love is Respect



# BECOME A BIKE

TEENS BIKING TO DESTINATIONS

# OWNER

For Free!

Frequently asked questions



Register Here



6<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup>  
Graders

Get to know a bike! Learn basic bike maintenance, gain more confidence riding a bike, take group rides and have fun.

NO BIKE EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

Complete the program (all 7 days) and you receive a NEW BIKE, lock, helmet and bike light!!

Lunch and Snacks provided

APRIL 2 - 3 & 6 - 10<sup>TH</sup>

10 AM - 2 PM @ THE TRIBAL CENTER



Questions? (360) 297-6317





# WE NEED YOU



## CARE GIVERS WANTED

<https://www.consumerdirectwa.com/careers/>

### REQUIREMENTS

- Be 18 years of age or older
- Pass background check and exclusion checks
- Do not currently, nor will in the future, require sponsorship
- Lawfully authorized to work in the U.S.
- Complete training requirements
- Valid U.S. driver's license and auto insurance if authorized to provide transportation to Client
- Ability to handle the physical aspects of the work including assistance with weight-bearing activities



With CDWA you will have the opportunity for:

- Paid Training
- PTO accrued at 1 hour per 23 hours worked
- Medical, Dental and Vision through SEIU 775
- Flexible Scheduling (Part-Time & Full-Time)
- SEIU 775 Union Representation
- Free access to Carina.org to find local clients
- Starting pay: \$22.63–\$26.22/hour

For more information about applying call

Leslie Purser at  
360-297-9600 or  
360-731-0637





# *Contract Cook Needed*

Spring General Council is on March 28<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for a cook to prepare breakfast for the meeting.

Compensation is \$1000.

If you are interested please contact

Andrea Murphy @

[Amurphy@pgst.nsn.us](mailto:Amurphy@pgst.nsn.us) or

360-297-6209 x5504

Please include 2-3 menu options.

Please respond by March 2, 2026

\*PGST Tribal Members will be given  
priority\*



# **PGST ELDERS & TRIBAL ADMINISTRATION MEETING**

**PGST Tribal Elders are invited to come have a meal with the Tribal Administration Staff!**

**We want your feedback and hear your thoughts on the creation of a Tribal Ethics Committee and what kind of information you would like to hear more about regarding our tribe!**

**Dinner will be served at 5:00pm in the Gym & Dining Hall.**

**Date: February 26<sup>th</sup> 2026**

**Time: 5:00 – 7:00PM**

**Location: Gym/Dining Hall**

**For any questions give us a call at  
(360) 297 - 2646**



# **3rd Annual PGST Resource & Career Fair**

**RESOURCE FAIR: MEET WITH DOZENS OF AGENCIES AND PROVIDERS OF SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES OF ADULTS AND CHILDREN WITH DIVERSE NEEDS FROM INFANCY TO ADULTHOOD**

**COLLEGE & CAREER FAIR: CONNECT WITH DOZENS OF SCHOOLS, AGENCIES & SUPPORTS FOR EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT, JOB ASSISTANCE & CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 21, 2026  
10:00AM-2:00PM**

**Port Gamble S'Klallam Reservation Gymnasium  
31912 Little Boston Rd. NE,  
Kingston WA 98346**

**For more information, or to reserve a  
vendor table please contact Rachel  
Flores at [RFlores@pgst.nsn.us](mailto:RFlores@pgst.nsn.us)**

PGST Higher Education

# FAFSA WORKSHOP

Come let us help guide  
you through this process

**MARCH 4, 2026**

**1:00pm-4:00pm**

PGST Longhouse

## Highlights:

- Scholarship and financial aid guidance
- Application support
- Learn about FAFSA
- Bring your laptop if you have one
- Limited laptops available for use



## Featured Speaker:

Promise Partner  
Kitsap Strong



# Pharmacy Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Thursday,  
February 19<sup>th</sup>,  
2026

2:30 – 4:00 pm

Where:  
Community Health Center  
Lobby

Join us to celebrate the new  
Pharmacy Opening!

## Convenient Location. Friendly Faces.

Our in-house pharmacists are here to offer personalized service to conveniently fill your medications on-site

32014 Little Boston Road NE  
Kingston Washington 98346  
(833) 573-4348

Pharmacy Hours  
Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Closed 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm for lunch



## Port Gamble S'Klallam Pharmacy

### Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

#### 1. What does "soft opening" mean for the pharmacy?

The pharmacy is fully licensed and staffed; however, we are still awaiting approval to bill all insurance payers. ***During this period (soft opening 2/19/26), only uninsured PGST PRC members can have prescriptions filled.***

#### 2. When will the pharmacy be able to fill prescriptions for all patients?

This depends on how quickly each insurance payor approves our enrollment. We are prioritizing the most used insurance plans so that we can serve the largest number of patients as quickly as possible. PGST providers will be notified once all payors are active and prescriptions can begin being sent to the pharmacy.

#### 3. How do I transfer my prescriptions to the Port Gamble S'Klallam Pharmacy?

- Prescriptions from PGST Community Health Center providers will begin transferring to the pharmacy on an as-needed basis or upon patient request.
- Additional announcements will let patients know when they can begin asking their outside providers or current pharmacies to transfer prescriptions.
- When the time comes, you can request a transfer directly from:
  - Your current pharmacy, **or**
  - Your outside provider: They will then send the prescriptions to the Port Gamble S'Klallam Pharmacy.

#### 4. Will CHRs continue to pick up and deliver my medication?

Yes. CHR delivery will continue for those who need it.

If you no longer wish to use this service, please notify the CHR team.

#### 5. What is the contact information and hours for the Port Gamble S'Klallam Pharmacy?

**Phone:** 1-833-573-4348

(For refills, prescription questions, and general information)

**Hours: Monday–Friday:** 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

**Closed for lunch:** 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM