

Pascua Yaqui Tribe (Yoeme)



Sea Takah Na' asuku (Centered Spirit Program)

Tribal Regional Behavioral Health Authority

Number of Enrolled Members



Pascua Yaqui Communities

- Pascua Pueblo (Reservation) 3951
- Old Pascua (Tucson) 418
- Barrio Libre (South Tucson) 174
- Yoem Pueblo (Marana) 49
- Guadalupe 3313
- High Town (Chandler) 74
- Penjamo (Scottsdale) 171
- Eloy/Coolidge (Pinal County) 256

TOTAL (Within Yaqui Communities)

8406



**PASCUA
YAQUI TRIBE
MEMBERSHIP**



- Outside of Yaqui Communities: 9446
- In AZ (Outside of Yaqui Communities): 9737
- Outside the State of AZ: 1681

Total Active Membership:
17852

SEA TAKAH NA' ASUKU BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

- Sea Taka Na' Asuku program began in 1991
- Became a TRBHA in 2000
- CARF accredited since 1999
- PYT has the only State licensed Tribal facilities
- Sea Taka Na' Asuku offers services to Tribal members both on and **off reservation**
- Employs 65 behavioral health staff
- Currently serving over 1000 consumers (880 in the Tucson program and 200 in the Guadalupe program)



**Sea Takah Na'
Asuku
Behavioral
Health**



- **Behavioral Health services offered at Pascua Reservation:**
 - Outpatient counseling
 - Traditional/alternative medicine
 - Residential treatment for men (PATH)
 - Transitional treatment homes
 - Equine therapy
 - In-school counseling
 - New Beginnings Methadone Clinic

Sea Takah Na' Asuku Behavioral Health



- Behavioral Health services offered off-reservation
 - Yoem Kari Group Home – Level III provider for boys ages 12-18
 - Guadalupe Satellite Clinic – outpatient provider (therapy, case management, referrals for residential tx and rehab)

**These facilities are licensed by ADHS –
Division of Licensing**

Prevention Program



- Guadalupe Prevention Partnership (GPP) is the name of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe's SAPT funded Prevention Program.
- GPP is the supporting program for Lutu'uria Youth Group & in part the Guadalupe Community Partnership a newly formed coalition.

Guadalupe Prevention Partnership

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- GPP collaborates and supports other Tribal departments, Town of Guadalupe, and outside agencies in providing ATOD prevention information to community members
 - Assist in planning community events
 - Plans, gather resources, and executes LYG activities.
 - Instrumental in forming Guadalupe Community Partnership with other stakeholders
 - Supports GCP by pooling resources with other members and avoiding duplication of services

Lutu'uria Youth Group



- The Lutu'uria Youth Group (LYG) is open to all youth living in Guadalupe and surrounding areas
- LYG was formed in July 2009 with six youth and since then has blossomed into a solid membership core of 27 youth.
- The Group consists of 6th grade through college students with a mixture of Yaqui heritage and Hispanic youth.
- In the past six months, LYG members have accumulated 2090 hours of meeting times, community service and personal development .



Lutu'uria Youth Group



These are the building blocks to combat ATOD abuse and are concentrated on during all LYG activities

- Peer Leadership
- Life Skills
- Personal & Cultural Development
- Youth Leadership
- Mentoring

Lutu'uria Youth Group Activities



- Public Service Announcements (PSA) using a mini-novela storyline about a family encountering ATOD abuse problems. Youth also interview community members “en vivo” at community functions. PSA’s are edited and forwarded for airing to Tribal Radio station in Tucson.
- July 3rd Annual two day camping trip, Attended workshops at Reservation
- August Annual Recognition Dinner - LYG members with family in attendance are recognized for their community service, attendance and given certificates
- Family Nights – LYG family members are informed of current and future activities and different topics of interest are discussed (monthly basis)
- October - Two day stay at Reservation with educational workshops
- November - Veterans Day participation in parade and activities
- December – Participation in Town of Guadalupe Light Parade, three-day visit to Reservation with workshops in language, traditional cooking, Yaqui history, healthy cooking, pregnancy prevention and AIDS/HIV education

Guadalupe Community Partnership (GCP)

- GCP was formed in March of 2010 and is currently working on solidifying goals and strategies.
- Partnership meets once a month
- GCP consists of service organizations who provide services and information to community members in Guadalupe. Health, Government, Education, Tribal are some of the sectors presently represented.
- Chairperson is the Parent Awareness & Community Outreach Coordinator For Central Maricopa Regional Partnership Council – First Things First
- GCP provides the substance abuse prevention component for the Partnership.
- GCP had their first sponsored event in January 2012. There were over 15 resource tables present at the event and included art contest and music.



GCP Community Event Jan 21, 2012



Connecting to culture



Lutu'uria Youth Group

Veteran's Day Parade





We are
PROUD of
Guadalupe's
Youth!



Lutu'uria Youth Group

TRBHA Positives



- Enhanced network services for Tribal members (especially residential, detox, hospitalization)
- Clinical coordination with ADHS utilization review staff is excellent (rapid response for authorizations and supportive of treatment approaches)
- Clinical training offered by ADHS at no cost
- SAPT funds used to support prevention programs

TRBHA & ADHS



- Collaborative efforts with ADHS continue to improve
- ADHS continues to become more aware of Tribal sovereignty and, as a result, the IGA language better reflects the government-to-government relationship
- Networking and coordination with RBHAs has improved through the relationship with ADHS
- ADHS has supported some Tribal initiatives

Challenges



- Auto-enrollment issues: a significant burden for TRBHA staff due to large numbers of Tribal members living off-reservation.
- Administrative oversight – mandated items such as the Member Handbook, excessive reporting requirements, interpretation and documentation of cultural competency
- Number of admin/QM staff is very small compared to RBHAs

Looking to the future



- **Deem status**
 - **Centered Spirit is CARF accredited. Surveys are every three years**
 - **Off-reservation programs are licensed by Division of Licensing (outpatient clinic, residential facility).**
 - **Outpatient clinic: DOLS only surveys domestic violence program (annually) due to DEEM status for CARF**
 - **Recommend that in lieu of ADHS annual reviews, accredited TRBHAs be given DEEM status and thus be subject to ADHS review once every three years.**



Looking to the future



- **Acceptance of traditional medicine as a reimbursable service**
- **Equitable funding from block grants**
- **Establishment of a TRBHA/RBHA/ADHS work-group to determine criteria for re-distribution of SAPT funding**