ALVINA D. FRISBIE SCHOLARSHIP
HOW TO FULFILL YOUR FRISBIE SCHOLARSHIP VOLUNTEER HOURS

2021 Newsflash: The Frisbie Board recognizes COVID’s impact on us all, and on our ability to volunteer in person for tribal events. Tribal members applying for the Frisbie Scholarship in 2021 may need to work with the Frisbie Board to creatively determine a volunteering project. At the end of this document are a number of ideas to help you get started. Please reach out to us if you have any questions about developing a plan or feel stuck in any way and we can talk with you.

Overview: Alvina Frisbie Scholarship applicants are required to submit documentation of twenty (20) hours of volunteer service to the Chinook Indian Nation within the past year. The tribe expects students to have some knowledge of our tribal history, culture, and struggles for survival. The Chinook Indian Nation (CIN) survives because of the hard work of our volunteer members. Students will find a wide range of activities to meet this twenty-hour requirement. You may write a paper or news article, give a speech, participate in your school’s Native American Program, stand up for Native Rights, work at tribal events and fund raisers, attend and help at meetings, or volunteer to help at the tribal office, or have your own volunteer plan pre-approved.

Here are some ideas that may help you more easily meet this requirement. Always contact the tribal office (1-360-875-6670) or ask who is in charge at the tribal event. Remember that the Frisbie Scholarship Committee wants to help you to be successful. We also want to know you!

(1) Volunteer at the First Salmon Ceremony (the Friday before the Annual Meeting)

   (A) Arrive 2-3 hours before the canoe landing and help with the set up.

   (B) Bring a potluck item that you prepared.

   (C) Assist elders and serve them in a variety of ways.

   (D) Volunteer to help at the sign in table.

   (E) Help with the Ceremony preparation of Salmon and Water.

   (F) Help with loading the Canoe, tribal trailer, and cleanup.

(2) Volunteer at the Chinook Annual Meeting. (the day after First Salmon.)

   (A) Volunteer with the setup of the meeting room. (usually the Wednesday before the meeting)

   (B) Bring a potluck item.

   (C) Serve and help elders who need assistance with drinks, food, etc.

   (D) Help with cleanup of the kitchen and meeting room, etc.
(3) **Participate and lend a hand at other tribal events:**
   Canoe Journey (late July), Winter Gathering (3rd Saturday in January), Story Gathering (2nd Saturday in March)

(4) **Volunteer at tribal fund raisers:**
   Pacific County Fair (4 days in August), Ilwaco Dinner and Art Auction (2nd Saturday in November), Bay Center Days (July)

(5) **Attend and Volunteer at Tribal meetings.** (2nd Saturday of each month, except in June)


(7) **Tribal office volunteering:**
   All work must be prearranged with the Administrative Assistant to the Council and be agreed to by both parties.
   a. Mow lawns
   b. Clean flowerbeds
   c. Wash windows
   d. Painting
   e. Office help or office special projects

(8) **Independent Projects for COVID Emergency:** Students are encouraged to be flexible and creative in promoting the Chinook Indian Nation. **You are required to submit any independent project plan to the Frisbie Board for support in developing a solid plan and approval.** We are excited to hear about independent projects. Email Frisbie@ChinookNation.org
   a. Remote possibilities
      i. Consider giving a speech about your tribe, writing a class paper, or write a newspaper article or Letter to the Editor. Students are encouraged to participate in your school’s Native American Program, e.g. helping out with a fundraising project. Consider standing up for Native American Rights. Consider Chinookan art projects.
      ii. Write petitions or letters of support to state and federal representatives for Chinook federal recognition. There is a form letter you can use on the website and some information about which state representatives are requesting letters from us.
      iii. Our chairman has taught a 6 week-course on Chinook language, history and culture during the Summer of 2020. The videos are accessible on the member portion of our website. Consider watching these videos, and/or reading books or other information about the tribe. Note that these videos themselves are not to be shown outside of tribal membership. Email office@chinooknation.org for access to the member section of the Chinook website.
      iv. Help younger members of the tribe navigate online applications to college and student loans. For help in identifying younger members who need support contact the Frisbie Board.
      v. Our tribal committees often have volunteer needs. Consider volunteering with a committee. To do so, please contact the committee chair. You can find this information on our website.
      vi. Attend a basket weaving class if it is offered online and weave something for the tribe
   b. Pacific County possibilities
      i. Support elders in the tribe that are not immediate family members (e.g. stacking firewood, performing yard work).
      ii. Volunteer to work at the Tansey point or Chinookville land
      iii. Distribute tribal brochures for museums
iv. Pick berries/fruit/pull cedar or bear grass for natural resources committee use.

v. Help with tanning hides (bonus points for this help 😊)

If you want to take advantage of this scholarship, you must find a way to do volunteer work for your tribe. Students must submit the current application form that can be found online at www.ChinookNation.org. **Please remember that the form must be complete and be postmarked by April 5th.** Students will be notified of final award consideration, however, Frisbie Scholarships will only be awarded to applicants who attend the Annual Chinook Indian Nation meeting held on the third Saturday in June. If you cannot attend this meeting, you must contact the tribal office (1-360-875-6670) before the Annual Meeting and make other arrangements to accept your scholarship.