

DEBBIE BOSSLEY

I AM A CURRENT TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBER
SEATED IN POSITION #2

I AM SEEKING YOUR VOTE FOR
RE-ELECTION IN THE
APRIL 10, 2022

TRIBAL COUNCIL ELECTION

*What a Privilege to be your Elected Official Since
April 8, 2018, and your Tribal Council Chairwoman.*



Dear General Membership of CTCLUSI,

First a great "Thanks" to all of you to allow me to serve you. The last four years have been a great challenge filled with education, difficult decisions, the opportunity to help the Tribe as a whole and each family in many areas.

I come from a proud Coos Tribal family, my mother Carolyn Slyter served on Council from 1998 – 2010, she was active in efforts of the Tribes Restoration. The Tribe was her life, as I continue her path, it is also mine. I was a dedicated employee of the Tribal Government in the Finance Department and as a Historic Records Archivist for nearly 19 years, retiring in 2015.

Once elected in April 2018, there was so much to learn. Tremendous opportunity to help so many and to bring positive change. Once ready to enrich programs and embrace change; a global Pandemic hit. We had to overcome and diversify to meet our people's new needs, it offered us many new challenges. Our focus was on the safety of the membership to ensure their basic needs were met. The financial health of the Government has also been a top priority. Dealing with great loss, and the inability to gather has been very difficult. The future brings us hope we all be together at events again soon, as we continue to heal and grow.

There is much left to do, **with your vote**, I can continue to move the Tribe forward in a positive, economically healthy path. As we keep the people needs first, to ensure we are successful today and for all our children's tomorrow.

Areas of More Work to Do.....

- Education
- Culture
- Economic Growth
- Income Based Benefits
- Housing Expansion
- Elders Services

PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Overall Debt Reduction – Through Countless meetings with Tribal Council, Financial Advisors and Legal Counsel to create a path to financial health which resulting in approx. 20 million dollar overall debt reduction.
- Tribal Member Employees of the Tribe being able to run for Council – allowing our dedicated, educated Tribal members the opportunity to serve their community and support their membership in various roles.
- General Welfare Assistance to membership in 2020 & 2021 -Developed programs, including cash assistance, to aid in the impacts of the COVID 19 Pandemic.
- Elders Pension Increase in 2021.
- Increased Housing Capacity – The purchase of additional housing and offices.
- Economic Recovery of the Tribe which enabled us to restore benefits.
- Council Compensation –With a vote by the people elected officials will now be compensated for the tremendous amount of work they do.

MY GOALS FOR THE NEXT TERM

- Enhanced Member Services through Cultural, Educational, Health, Wellness and Social Programs
- Meet the Needs of the Housing Crisis for Our People
- Enhance and Expand upon funding Opportunities for Educational Assistance
- Develop Additional Supports and Services that Meet the Needs of All Our Members
- Expand Elders Services
- Support and Strengthen Cultural Education and Activities for Every Tribal Family
- Forest Plan Completion to Grant Safe Access while Protecting our Cultural Resources and Developing Economic Opportunities
- Tribal Member Employment Assistance Program Development

As the current Chairwoman, I have Involvement on a regular basis with many Tribal, Local, State & Federal entities. Some most important to me: LCIS – Legislative Commission on Indian Services -9 Tribes Meeting, with all the Chairs of each of the 9 Tribes in Oregon to share ideas - ATNI – Affiliated Tribes of North West Indians - NCAI – National Congress of American Indians - Three Rivers Foundation - Enrollment Committee

With your continued support and through strength, commitment, dedication, and the knowledge of the past, I will continue to work for our people for the betterment of the Tribe.

Thank you and wishing you and your families well, Debbie Bossley, Position #2.

I AM AVAILABLE AND WELCOME YOUR THOUGHTS PLEASE CONTACT ME:

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