

Pawnee, OK, April 30, 2020 - On March 24, 2020, The Pawnee Business Council approved an emergency declaration which stated that the Pawnee Nation's employees would continue to practice isolation and limit the number of people that may meet at any gathering within the Pawnee Nation. Assistance to tribal members will continue with modifications in order to protect all tribal members and employees.

While the State of Oklahoma has released plans to re-open certain businesses beginning on May 1st, the Pawnee Business Council has not lifted the restrictions put in place. Tribal management is developing a phase one plan for re-opening the tribal offices and selected buildings all dependent on when protective supplies are received. Essential employees who have been working from home will return to their respective offices in this phase. The plan for re-opening will be presented to the Pawnee Business Council for their review and approval on May 5, 2020.

The Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation (TDC) is also developing a plan that will be done in phases to re-open Casino operations sometime during the month of May. A separate press release will be forthcoming from TDC and will be posted.

We continue to pray for all Pawnee Tribal members, employees and our Pawnee community. The effects this pandemic has had on all of us has only made us stronger. May Atius bless you and your families and keep our people safe and healthy.

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