

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Northern California Indian Development Council has begun planning for the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Elders Dinner and Intertribal Gathering. The event is to be held from 10 AM-7 PM on Saturday November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 -Veteran's Day- at Redwood Acres Fairgrounds in Eureka, CA. The Inter-Tribal Gathering is one way of sharing the cultures of the various California Indians with the broader community.

The main features of the gathering are the Turkey dinner served from Noon to 4 PM and a traditional gift giving ceremony to all Honored Elders in attendance, regardless of race. The event includes a special honoring of all our Veterans. This year there will be demonstrations of traditional Tribal dances from the Tolowa, Yurok, and Karuk Tribes. Special performances by the Aztec dancers and a traditional Hoop Dancer will round out the event. There is no charge for entrance to the Gathering and the dinner is free to all Elders (age 55 & over). For those under 55, an \$8.00 donation for a dinner ticket is requested.

Native communities have long respected the gift of elders and enjoy this time to show them how much they are appreciated. Community support is being sought this year to once again ensure the success of this gathering. Numerous volunteers are needed to help serve and prepare approximately 2,500 meals the day of the event, and to provide assistance in set up, hosting and clean up before and after the Gathering.

***Dedicated volunteers are needed in varying shifts for the following:  
All shifts are a minimum four-hour commitment***

**Set-up - **Friday** ~ November 10th: 10 AM-5 PM**

**Pantry stocking  
Inventory and staging  
Loading and unloading trucks  
Cleaning of floors and benches  
Chair and table set up and decoration**

**Event – **Saturday VETERAN'S DAY** ~ November 11th: 9 AM-8 PM**

**Food servers  
Recycling team  
Dining hall attendants  
Experienced food handlers  
Gate & Ribbon attendants  
Janitorial services (primarily trash can monitoring)  
\*Evening cleaning crew for tables and chairs (5-8 PM)**

**Clean-up - **Sunday** ~ November 12th: 10 AM-5 PM**

**Table and chair removal  
General clean up & recycling  
Loading and unloading trucks  
Trash removal and other janitorial duties as needed**

For more information, to donate or volunteer, please contact us at  
(707) 445-8451 or [info@ncidc.org](mailto:info@ncidc.org).

*Thank you and we hope to see you there!*