



Native American Crisis

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For The Media

“Working Together, Caring For Others!”





Native American Tee Pee

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The Purpose of the Native American Tee Pee

The purpose of the Native American Tee Pee on my property in Kankakee County, Bourbonnais, IL is to draw the public and media's attention to some major Native American issues:

Native American Health Crisis

The current American tragedy for Native Americans



Many hospitals and health systems who are claiming to be **Charity hospitals and receive tax exempt status from our Federal Government** as a 501(c)(3) are charging Native Americans and the poor hundreds of percent (%) over Medicare Rates. Not only they are overcharging, they are putting **Natives American Indians, and the poor, in collections and permanently ruining their credit history**. These actions put **families and their children** into long term poverty and financial despair.

- o https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/to-your-health/wp/2015/11/13/how-nonprofit-hospitals-overcharge-the-under-and-uninsured/?noredirect=on&utm_term=.3fc36a7b71e0 written by The Washington Post
- o <https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/some-charity-hospitals-avoid-the-tax-man-while-ignoring-the-needy> written by Washington Examiner
- o <https://www.wsj.com/amp/articles/nonprofit-hospitals-criticized-for-debt-collection-tactics-11561467600> published by The Wall Street Journal



The **average life expectancy of Native American** in some areas of United States for **men is mid 50's and for women early 60's**. It is a tragedy of what is happening to Native Americans compared to the rest of America.

- o <https://www.indianz.com/News/2017/01/26/native-sun-news-today-northern-cheyenne-8.asp> published by Indianz.com

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- <https://www.houstonpublicmedia.org/npr/2017/12/12/569910574/native-americans-feel-invisible-in-u-s-health-care-system/> published by Houston Public Media
- <https://www.re-member.org/pine-ridge-reservation.aspx> published by Pine Ridge Reservation
- <https://www.newson6.com/story/39350938/oklahoma-town-struggles-with-lowest-life-expectancy-in-nation> published by News on 6 Tulsa Oklahoma



Opioid crisis: Medications prescribed by licensed physicians, and sold by publically traded profitable Pharmaceutical Companies, **are killing off a whole generation of future Native American Indian Leaders.**

- <https://scipol.duke.edu/content/native-american-overdose-deaths-surge-opioid-epidemic> published by The New York Times.
- <https://consumer.healthday.com/bone-and-joint-information-4/opioids-990/opioid-od-deaths-soaring-among-native-americans-740840.html> published by Health Day News for Healthier Living
- <https://www.mdedge.com/fedprac/article/192676/addiction-medicine/getting-right-numbers-native-american-drug-overdose-deaths> published by MD Edge Federal Practitioner



Today, the poorest areas in the United States are not in the big city or the small town; **they are on the Native American Indian Reservations!** Reservations are the poorest areas in United States.

- <https://www.aaanativearts.com/half-the-top-20-poorest-counties-in-america-are-included-in-indian-reservations> published by AAANativeArts.com
- <http://indianyouth.org/american-indian-life> published by Running Strong for American Indian Youth
- <http://indianyouth.org/american-indian-life/poverty-cycle> published by Running Strong for American Indian Youth
- http://www.nativepartnership.org/site/PageServer?pagename=naa_livingconditions published by Native American Aid



The purpose of Tee Pee is to remind the people that the land of America once belonged to Native Americans. Another **purpose of the Tee Pee is to make the World and America aware of the ongoing crisis for Native American Indians.**

Aho and Wado!

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aFvfJgG92w>
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_R_G9oVb8hE

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