

OUR GOALS & VALUES

- **Mutual Accountability to our communities and the council.**
- **Open communication between the council, community and the Seattle Police Department.**
- **Build trust through communication**
- **Support and encourage native youth and SPD to develop a healthy successful relationship.**
- **Respect for each other and our identities, experiences, and diverse viewpoints.**
- **Create and maintain a supportive, respectful and safe environment that facilitates relationship building, honesty and communication.**
- **Work collaboratively, beyond mutually held common stereotypes.**

AREAS OF FOCUS

- **Building Trust**
- **Communication**
- **Youth**
- **Elderly**
- **Homelessness**
- **Public Safety Issues**

SEATTLE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S NATIVE AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL

“Building Trust Through Communication”

The Native American Advisory Council to the Seattle Police Department was created in 2003, becoming one of ten such councils that work collaboratively with the Police.

The community advisory councils were born out of a need to hear directly from demographic communities that often felt disenfranchised, alienated, or uncomfortable approaching the police.

The council structure brings the diverse population of the community together to meet with the Police Department on a regular basis for the purpose of increasing communications between the community and the department. Having a variety of viewpoints represented within the group helps the department gain a thorough understanding of the issues they are faced with. The council is assigned Liaison Officers, a staff person, and an Assistant Chief that represents the Chief of Police.

In addition to the Native American Advisory Council, the Seattle Police Department also supports the following councils: African American, East African, Southeast Asian, Korean, Filipino, Muslim, Sikh & Arab, Latino, LGBTQ, and Youth.



The Native American Community in Seattle is made up of individuals from many distinct tribes and bands from across North America. The areas include the Pacific Northwest, Coastal, Alaskan Native, Canadian First Nations, Plains, Southwest, and East.

The individual members of the Native American Advisory Council belong to many organizations that serve the community. These include: United Indians of All Tribes, IWASIL - Boys & Girls Club, Washington State Department of Social and Health Services - *Belltown*, Chief Seattle Club, Seattle Indian Health Board, American and Native Alaska Organization and Native Urban Organizations.

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OUR MISSION

The Seattle Police Department established the Native American Advisory Council to promote mutual understanding, respect, education and communication between the Native American community and the Seattle Police Department in service to our respective communities.

GET INVOLVED

For more information about meeting times and upcoming events, please visit:

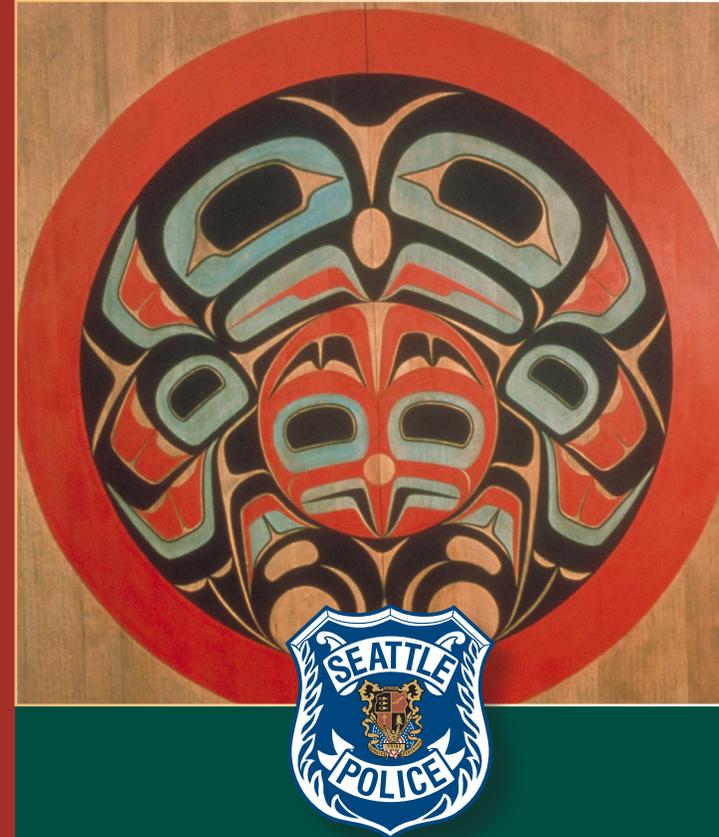
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