

Tribe maintaining and updating vending list of Coquille owned businesses

“Promote and the social and economic welfare of Coquille Indians” – Coquille Indian Tribe Constitution

Maintained for five years, Tribe is increasing efforts to assure all businesses owned by a Coquille member or spouse are included in vending list used by CIT entities to be familiar with Coquille owned businesses and the goods and services they offer. Several Coquille owned businesses already contract with the Tribe for various events and activities.

This notice is a reminder that the Coquille Indian Tribe does maintain a list of businesses owned by Tribal members and spouses that is used by all of the Tribe’s entities (Administration office, The Mill-Casino, CIHA, Community Health Center and other CEDCO owned businesses) for their respective needs. This list is part of a renewed effort for the Tribe to use Coquille owned businesses as much as possible when procuring goods and services related to the events, meals, programs and similar activities the Tribe sponsors for its membership and the community at large.

In an effort to be sure the Tribe is doing business with Coquille members first, we are asking business owners in the Tribe to make sure their business is included on the list and that the information is updated.

This list will provide **detailed** information on your business and the services it provides. You must have an existing business, and this includes start-up businesses, to be part of this list.

Please remember that being added to this list is not a commitment to use a Coquille owned business as a vendor. All vendors contracted with the Tribe must be qualified in their field, offer competitive prices and be able to provide the product or service in an efficient manner. The Tribe expects this from all vendors it does business with.

To add your business to the Coquille Indian Tribe vending list, please contact Arlea Grenade, the Tribe’s procurement officer, at the CIT Administration office. Phone: 1-800-622-5869, 541-756-0904 ext. 10240; email: agrenade@coquilletribe.org. Arlea will provide a form you can use to provide contact information and details of the specific goods and services your business provides. This form can also be used to update information on your business.

The update of the vending list is one of many activities being conducted by the Tribe to meet the “Strategic Imperatives” listed in Strategic Plan for 2014-2017. While the maintenance of a Coquille vending list is not a direct part of the listed goal of a Tribal Member Employment Development Program, it is one of many activities is starting, or in this case re-vamping, as a means to best provide opportunities for the Tribe’s community to benefit from the Tribe’s activities.

Other activities related to this effort include the development and maintenance of a confidential database tracking the job skills, employment history, education achievements such as degrees, certifications and training, and other skills that will be used to help the Tribe inform, recruit, contract and employ members of the Tribe. Other portions of this initiative is to further develop the Tribe’s internship and mentorship programs, both CEDCO and CELS (Education Department) currently maintain such programs. They will now be further developed.