

Oklahoma Indian Child Welfare Association 16th Annual Conference "ICWA Stands: 45 Years of Strengthening Sovereignty and Protecting Culture" November 7th, 8th, 9th, 2023 Osage Casino Hotel, Tulsa, OK

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Greetings ICWA Advocates:

The Oklahoma Indian Child Welfare Association (OICWA) is excited to announce the dates for the 16th Annual OICWA Conference, November 7th, 8th & 9th of 2023! The theme of this year's conference is "ICWA Stands: 45 Years of Strengthening Sovereignty and Protecting Culture". On June 15, 2023, the US Supreme Court victory upheld the federal ICWA law in the Haaland v. Brackeen case and remains fully intact. Indian Country celebrates but the challenge of preserving Native families persists.

The goal and focus of the conference is to increase knowledge and promote the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 (ICWA) and Oklahoma Indian Child Welfare Act of 1982 (OICWA) through practices, laws, policies, historical reference, trauma resilience, tribal sovereignty, cultural preservation and services. The OICWA Conference is a leading training institute in the field of Indian Child Welfare in Oklahoma.

Ultimately, our purpose is to strengthen relationships and facilitate collaboration efforts through education with Tribal Child Welfare and all disciplines, such as federal and state agencies, behavioral health, law enforcement, officers to the court, juvenile justice, and therapeutic care. We believe in sharing our expertise to contribute to the collective knowledge of our field. This year's conference will offer three days of intensive ICWA training.

The OICWA Conference Committee is seeking support through sponsorships to assist OICWA in offsetting the cost of expenses related to the production of the conference to include nationally recognized keynote speakers, venue rental, audio/visual equipment rental, conference materials and cultural demonstrations.

Sponsorship opportunities available for this year's conference are detailed on the attached page. OICWA will accept monetary donations of any size.

Thank you for considering an opportunity to become a sponsor for the 2023 Oklahoma Indian Child Welfare Annual Conference. Your generous contribution will assist OICWA in fulfilling its mission to promote the well-being of American Indian children, their families, and their tribes. If you have any questions regarding sponsorship opportunities, please contact Te'Ata Loper at oicwa.gc@gmail.com or call 405-464-5655.

Sincerely,

Te'Ata Loper, OICWA Executive Director

Sponsorship Opportunities / Benefits to Sponsor

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