

Puyallup Tribe Sustainability

Food Sovereignty Hub Advisory Team

The Puyallup Tribe Sustainability program in development of a food sovereignty hub in order to grow food for membership, provide cultural and self-sufficiency teachings, connect community, and promote land stewardship. This year were one of the recipients of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Tribal Climate Resiliency Annual Award to fund land preparations, barn construction, greenhouses, tools/equipment/supplies necessary for operation, and a full-time Agroecology Program Coordinator.

To ensure that this is an inclusive, informed, and well-rounded program we will be forming a volunteer based advisory team to help with project decision making. This advisory team will serve as a committee that helps influence programming, support the success of, and inform choices made at the food sovereignty hub.

Ideally, we are looking for participants to have experience and a passion for any of the following areas or related:

- Indigenous food systems
- Traditional medicines
- Traditional Ecological Knowledge
- Agroecology
- Farming, hunting, fishing
- Native plants

- Horticulture
- Food processing
- Environmental stewardship
- Food policy
- Farm business
- Environmental education

The group will meet in person and/or virtual on a monthly basis that is scheduled for a time that works for the group once established. For research purposes this group will also be invited to tour some local tribal food production establishments, community farms, nurseries, and like establishments as the opportunities come along.

If you are interested in serving on the team or have any questions please contact: Kalicia Bean at Kalicia.bean@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov or 253-320-8899.