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Library

NAIA has recently taken all of our reading material much of which has been donated to us and we have created a fully functional Library. All of our books are Native American related as well as all of our research materials. We have books covering genealogy, fiction, non-fiction, plants, maps, medicines and crafts as well. We also have an internet access for research. We hope that all of our members and guests can use this library as a learning tool or at least a valuable resource center.

Open Monday thru Friday 10 am to 3 pm.

Art Galley

NAIA has there own art gallery with featured items such as: native print fabrics, beads, beading supplies, dream catchers, Native American books, music, beadwork, handcrafted jewelry, a large selection of Lean 'in Tree greeting cards and of course NAIA memorabilia . The art gallery in located on the main floor of our facility.

Visit Us Today !

Store Hours

Monday-Friday

10 a.m.-3 p.m.

If you are a Native American Artist/Vendor call to inquire about our consignment program.



Our Mission

“.....to promote self sufficiency for North American Indians through education assistance, employment training and awareness of available human services; and to foster and preserve North American Indian culture and heritage.....”

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**Hours of Operation
Monday-Friday
9 a.m.-4 p.m.**

NAIA History

The North American Indian Association of Detroit, Inc is the oldest urban Indian organization in the United States founded in 1940.

Our founder Scott Peters and a group of North American Indians started the organization as the North American Indian Club and because of developments in programming soon became the Detroit Indian Center and later the North American Indian Association of Detroit, Inc.

NAIA's expansion and specialization took place in 1973, when NAIA became a non profit 501© (3) chartable organization. This meant that NAIA could now obtain funds through federal, state and municipal grants.

While continuing the main focus upon which we were founded; The primarily purpose of the club was to provide opportunities for Natives to meet and enjoy social, recreational and cultural activities, sporting events, dinner dances, pow-wows, and employment resources were and still remain some of the regular activities the organization sponsors.

Since we have been granted our 501 © (3) status it has allowed us to expand our services, programs and a diversified staff to handle the needs of the urban Native American Community.

WIA-INAP

North American Indian Association - NAIA is a contractor for the United States Department of Labor, delivering Employment and Training Services and Education Services under the Workforce Investment Act, Indian and Native American Programs (WIA-INAP) to Native Americans in our designated service area.

NAIA has had a long and successful relationship with the US DOL, beginning under Manpower, then JTPA and currently under WIA-INAP.

Eligibility Requirements: Must be able to produce residency in Wayne County. Must be able to document a minimum of ¼ Blood Quantum of Native American or Alaska Native or Native Hawaiian ancestry from a U.S. Federally recognized tribe, a state recognized tribe or status identification from a Canadian tribe in the form of a Band Letter or status card. A list of items below are as follows in order to completely be eligible for the

Program.

- Photo Identification
- Social Security Card
- Tribal Letter / Status Card
- Selective Service Card (if applicable)
- Proof of Residency

Proof of Income or Income Tax paperwork

Intakes by appointment only, please call at 313-535-2966

Elders Program

NAIA's Elder Program is currently self supporting.

Our Elders gather here everyday for food and friendship lunch's provided by DAAA – Detroit Area Agency on Aging. As part of the DAAA criteria our qualifying Elders must be at least 60 yrs of age to receive a lunch. DAAA asks for a \$2 donation, however it is not mandatory. Lunch is normally served at 12 noon each day with no lunches being served on normal NAIA observed holidays. In their time together the Elders have formed a group, a group that shares in fundraising, crafts, bake sales, exercise, field trips and resources.

Come and contribute, do your part!

Every Wednesday here at NAIA we have our health and fitness day!! Mark from Indian Health is here to facilitate an exercise class and give our Elders valuable health and wellness information. Wednesdays also brings BINGO to NAIA, our staff usually starts the calling around 11:30 am.

DAAA has awarded NAIA with a small diabetes awareness grant where we can out-reach to our Elders and provide Diabetic information and assistance.

We are always looking for new ideas which we can bring to our Elders, as well as new ways of encouraging our Elders to come and participate. If you are over 60 and are looking for something to do please come in and be a part of our Elders Program.