



# OPPORTUNITY BY US

Education, community, and opportunity are just a few of the priorities for the Nez Perce Tribe Enterprises (NPT Enterprises); the business arm of the Nez Perce Tribe. NPT Enterprises is comprised of the Clearwater River Casino & Lodge, It'se-Ye-Ye Casino, and the Camas Express and Nez Perce Express convenience stores. These businesses provide a variety of services and goods to the local communities such as entertainment, lodging, fine dining, and convenient one-stop shopping for travelers.

"The NPT Enterprises is a vital component of the Nez Perce Tribe's economic footprint in the area and provides an array of opportunities that not just any entity can provide. It is also a great complement to the larger economy of the region. We are fortunate to have such a grand contributor in our area," stated Shannon Wheeler, Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee Chairman.

The four businesses employ approximately 326 individuals, making NPT Enterprises one of the larger employers in our area. Employees receive competitive wages and benefits in a variety of positions. "Factoring multiplier effects, the NPT Enterprises creates a total 471 regional jobs and supports \$15.3 million of payroll and benefits. In addition, the two casinos attract thousands of visitors to the Lewis-Clark Valley region who spend money at local venues; eating, shopping, exploring activities, and using various local services," added Steven Peterson, Assistant Clinical Professor of Economics at the University of Idaho.

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Profits from the NPT Enterprises also support grant programs, like the Local Education Program, that are available to local communities. The annual awards from the Local Education Program fund different schools, youth programs, and community opportunities. Since 2004, the Local Education Program has awarded over \$4.9 million in grants to schools and programs throughout the area.

NPT Enterprises is also a major sponsor and contributor for a number of community events and programs. As part of its commitment to be a community partner, a significant portion of the NPT Enterprises' budget is designated for community work. The Clearwater River Casino & Lodge, alone, contributes \$125,000 a year, on average, in donations and sponsorships.

Some of the regular sponsorships for NPT Enterprises include the NAIA World Series, Lewiston Roundup, 4-H, FFA, and Lewiston Hot August Nights. NPT Enterprises is also a primary sponsor for the Chief Joseph Foundation (CJF) Indian Royalty Court; a non-profit program aimed to teach area youth about Nez Perce heritage, culture, and traditions.

Aside from philanthropic efforts, the NPT Enterprises also provides an impressive range of entertainment options. The Clearwater River Casino & Lodge has become an entertainment hub for our area. Many shows, events, and activities are made available that would otherwise not be as accessible.

"When you do business with us it has a direct benefit to our community, that's the great thing about the Nez Perce Tribe Enterprises. All of our revenue is returned to the community in one way or another. Whether it's through business activity, investments, wages, or direct support of the many exceptional community services; it's a win-win situation for the Lewis-Clark Valley and the surrounding communities," explained NPT Enterprises Executive Officer, Kermit Mankiller.



# COMMUNITY BUILT BY YOU

By shopping locally and supporting local businesses and colleges, your community enjoys numerous benefits, including:

**BUILDING** our community cohesiveness

**GIVING** back to your community

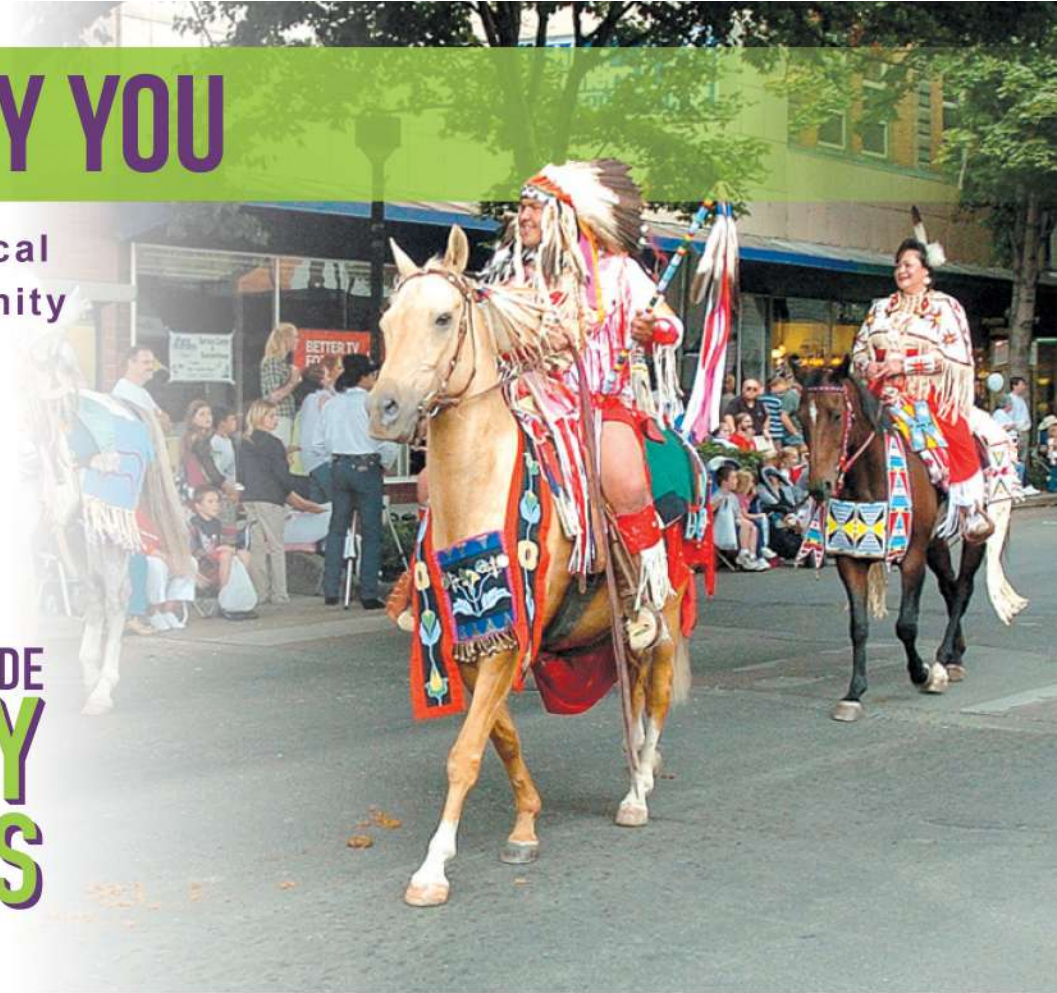
**ENHANCING** local democracy

**LOWERING** residential taxes

**IMPROVING** citizen health

**CREATING** tailored customer choices

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