



Red Wind Councils

Spiritual & social awakening through indigenous restitution



Thanksgiving & Holiday Appeal 2025

Hola dear friends & supporters of Red Wind Councils,

Muchos saludos from our Council in Chiapas! We are thinking of you this season with prayers that you & your beloveds are safe & well.

In this challenging time, the ancient Maya cosmovision & the living Mayas' social justice pathways are arising as even more illuminated tracks through walls of greed & cruelty. We persevere & sincerely hope you are with us in our efforts toward greater equality & justice.

In this newsletter we are sharing some updates on the main projects in Chiapas that we have been able to keep supporting because of crucial donations from people like you. The indigenous that we serve continue to inspire us so deeply with their resilience, strength & determination throughout their extreme poverty. May their stories inspire you as well!

We humbly request on their behalf that you generously donate to Red Wind Councils so we can keep the effective & key resources we offer to many indigenous when they have no other hope. Their lives, as difficult as they are, are nevertheless healthier, more secure, & growing.

We are most grateful for your partnership with us in providing life-saving help throughout the 40 years we have partnered with the Maya in Chiapas. You are truly making a world of difference for them. We send you their muchisimas gracias for the light & hope you bring to so many lives.

May this season bless you abundantly with its gifts.

With our love & gratitude,
Ohki Forest & the Chiapas Red Wind Council



Medical Aid

Medical Aid is always a challenge, & we use our limited funds particularly judiciously in these times. This past year we have attended to several women suffering from diabetes, Matilde for chronic back paralysis which thanks to your help is slowly improving, & other medical emergencies. The situation with the Medical Aid project is that it is constant; weekly we receive people at our Medicine Center in Chiapas with all sorts of ailments (migraines, HBP, hepatitis, cancer & so forth), many of which need proper direction & correct diagnoses for their eventual healing.

Amalia is also starting a project to bring healthy feminine sanitary products to young Maya women by switching from highly chemical & toxic products to those made of sustainable, safe, & reusable materials. This is with the intention to educate & bring back traditional feminine health to Maya girls & women.



Ecological Projects

Protecting Medicine Center Access ~

Red Wind Councils is extremely grateful for the purchase of a hectare of land above the Sweat Lodge at the remote Chiapas center. This land parcel was being sold so that the woman who owned it could raise funds to support her developmentally delayed daughter. The most likely use by any other buyer would have been to chop down the original forest to make charcoal! The land purchased is also where the indigenous have been walking a vital path for decades, if not centuries, to cross & carry their heavy loads of corn from their fields further below the mountain & they would have been impeded to do so with any other buyer thus creating complications for their transportation.

Fogon Stoves Project ~

Red Wind Councils continues to provide materials for the Fogon Stove project in remote rural communities that we started a few decades ago. This educational & building project is now being carried on by a younger generation to sustain this more ecologically wise method for healthier cooking fires that especially protect women & young children from terrible respiratory & eye conditions due to frequent exposure to indoor wood smoke.

Agro-Ecology Project ~

Amalia helms the AgroEcology Project that Red Wind also started decades ago. We have funded materials for renewal of the greenhouses, transportation for workers & microloans for those learning these organic processes to make small land purchases for their own homes & create vegetable gardens in their rural communities where they can share the principles of agroecology techniques used at the Medicine Center in Chiapas. It's providing a good amount of wonderful organic food to feed many families. This is also the source of organic tobacco for ceremonies offered to students in the US in addition to having it for regular ceremonies & prayers offered in Chiapas.



Annual Food Subsidies

In Chiapas this year we started the necessary rainy season for people's yearly crops with a drought which lasted months. The rainy season came late in August with tremendous floods. Food subsidies of corn & beans from Red Wind are definitely going to be needed again. The weather uncertainties & extremes are impacting so many people, but especially these particularly vulnerable families who are in such heart-rending poverty. The people Red Wind serves are so deeply grateful for the life-saving support that your donations provide. It truly gives them hope.

Ixmalé Craft Project

Amalia's Ixmalé Craft Project with Red Wind is still recovering from the pandemic blows. Trying to sell the crafts in Chiapas is not a solution as buyers pay poorly & on top bargain! So Patricia & Mary Jo continue staffing craft fair sales in Santa Fe, in addition to the shop at the NM Red Wind Medicine Center. There are some new opportunities possibly opening up this year so we are all offering prayers & ceremonies!



Ohki's Medicine Centers



Ohki's spring teaching visit at the New Mexico Center is a highlight of the year. She is offering deeper work for both new students & those on the path for decades. Amalia's gifts as a healer are truly blossoming at our beautiful Medicine Center in Santa Fe in which we are putting down roots & building the medicine. It's an astonishing gift from Spirit to be rooted at this Red Wind Medicine Center in the USA.

The Chiapas Medicine Center is now in the hands of women & the potency of this change keeps growing. This also has been made possible through the sustaining support that people like you have shared with Red Wind Councils.

Will you please consider donating once more this year?

We at Red Wind & the indigenous people we serve would really appreciate your help to bring a light of hope & show we do care for the Maya.

**Abundant blessings this season
& throughout the New Year!**



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