



“Independent and Free”

Chiricahua Apache Citizenship Application

The Chiricahua Apache Nation is an independent, free, and self-sufficient nation. It currently receives no government assistance and is therefore a non-dependent sovereign nation. Applicant agrees that citizenship in the Nation does not currently qualify the applicant for any sort of government assistance, now or in the foreseeable future. It is the belief of the Nation that being independent and free means that we are the creators of our own destiny.

The Nation wishes it's citizenship to work together to rebuild and strengthen relations among Chiricahua Apache people, wherever they are, and to pursue goals and objectives common to our people. One of the main objectives of the Chiricahua Apache Nation is to preserve the culture and history of our people, as it is a culture and history that have been misunderstood and misrepresented throughout time. The Nation seeks to identify those who are Chiricahua by ancestry and who consider themselves to be Chiricahua. By identifying the living descendants of the Chiricahua Apache and recovering the history of their families, we will be able to recover the larger collective history of our people. If you are Chiricahua Apache, the Nation invites you to join its membership by supplying your name, contact information and an explanation of how you come to identify yourself as Chiricahua Apache.

Citizenship in the Nation is in no way intended to compete with or displace membership in a recognized tribe or reservation community, and this information is being collected irrespective of any such membership. Acceptance and inclusion is only to the sovereign Chiricahua Apache Nde Nation. The People's intent is to form a collective that provides for a full account of the Chiricahua people, regardless of geographic location or specific tribal affiliation.

Print and complete this form and mail it to the address below.

The Chiricahua Apache Nation

P.O. BOX 1809

San Carlos, AZ 85550

We ask if you would kindly include a \$10.00 if possible to covering the expense a processing fee and postage costs to send your documents. Further Fees will be added for ID Card certification once applicant has qualified through assisting the nation's efforts and objectives.

Finally, if you would like to call or set up an appointment to meet with someone in the Nation, or have any questions, please call the CANN office at San Carlos Arizona: 928-475-2579

Name _____

Birthdate _____

Sex(M=male F=Female) ____

Family Name (mother)____

Family Name (father)_____

Contact information: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email:_____

Are you related to someone who is currently a citizen of this Nation? **Y or N** ()

The Citizenship # of person you are related to: _____

What is your relationship? _ _____

If you wish to include your spouse and/or children in this application please include each name as it should appear on the certificate, whether the individual is male or female, the birth date, relationship to you, and address if different than the address on the application. Print and include a copy of this page and signature page for each family member to become recognized.

Now: Please share with us (to the best of your ability) your understanding of your Chiricahua identity in terms of your own family history. (There is no space limit here attach as many other pages as necessary to provide the information).

Can we contact you to advise you of upcoming events or to inform you about opportunities to do volunteer work for the Nation? **Y or N** (yes)

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability.

1. Are you willing to learn our ways of life and honor? _____
2. Are you willing to teach through leading by example? _____
3. Are you willing to abide by the decisions by The People's circular justice system? _____
4. Are you willing to help create a good way for the next 7 generations? _____

By signing this document you confirm that all information on this form is true and correct and understand that the Chiricahua Apache Nation is a non-dependent sovereign nation and receives no benefits or subsidies from the US Government. You also agree to uphold the nation and to work with the nation for the overall good of all people. You acknowledge and accept to follow the way of honor known to the nation.

Signed _____ Date _____