



**South Dakota Department
of Tribal Relations**

Agenda
State Tribal Relations Day
January 27 & 28, 2016
Pierre, SD



**Wednesday, January 27, 2016 – RedRossa
Listening Session on Veteran’s Affairs**

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. CT	Registration	Foyer area outside of the Highlands/Hills Ballroom
9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Sponsor Booths	
Session I 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Steve Emery, Secretary SD Department of Tribal Relations</i> <i>Larry Zimmerman, Secretary SD Department of Veteran’s Affairs</i> <i>President John Yellow Bird Steele- Oglala Sioux Tribe</i>	All sessions are held in the Highland/Hills Ballroom
Session II 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Processing Veterans Claims – Utilizing TVSO’s - electronic filing and paper trail <i>Heather Henderson & Steve Oliva, SD Department of Veterans Affairs, Program Managers</i>	
Session III 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Veterans Health/Mobile Vet Centers/Veterans Choice Act/Process for negotiating agreements with IHS <i>Darwin Goodspeed, Sioux Fall VA Health Care System, Director</i> <i>Sandra Horsman, Black Hills VA Health Care System, Director</i>	
Session IV 11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	South Dakota Veteran’s Home <i>Brad Richardson, Michael J. Fitzmaurice State Veterans Home, Superintendent</i> <i>Randall Meyers, Michael J. Fitzmaurice State Veterans Home, Director of Operations</i>	
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Listening Session Luncheon RSVP Only by January 17, 2016 <i>Governor Dennis Daugaard - Tentative</i> <i>Chairwoman Roxanne Sazue - Crow Creek Sioux Tribe</i>	Highland/Hills Ballroom
Session V 1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Code Talker Memorial <i>Steve Emery, Secretary of SD Department of Tribal Relations</i> <i>Matt Vogel, Legislative Technician – Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe</i>	
Session VI 1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	Education/On the Job Training/Apprenticeships/Voc Rehab/Troops to Teachers/Outreach <i>Shane Olivier, SD Department of Veterans Affairs, Education Specialist</i> <i>Ryan Fowler, SD Department of Veterans Affairs, Education Specialist</i> <i>Manaja Hill, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe</i> <i>Bill O’Dea, Troops to Teachers</i>	
Session VII 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Funding (Home Loans, Veteran Owned Small Business) <i>Dan Anderson, Loan Specialist, Native American Direct Loan, US Department of Veterans Affairs</i> <i>David C. Puls, Lender Relations Specialist, US Small Business Administration, SD District Office</i>	

Session VIII
3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Veterans Courts**
Geri Opsal, Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate, Tribal Veteran’s Service Officer
Al Janzen, SD Department of Veteran’s Affairs, Codington County Veteran’s Service Officer

Session IX
4:00 p.m. – 4:20 p.m. **Targeting Younger Veterans**
William Huffmon, SD Department of Veteran’s Affairs, West River Field Service Officer
Jerlene Arredondo, Oglala Sioux Tribe, Tribal Veteran’s Service Officer

4:20 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Closing Remarks**
Steve Emery, Secretary of Tribal Relations
Larry Zimmerman, Secretary SD Department of Veteran’s Affairs

**Wednesday January
27,2016 - Legislative
Reception**

5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. **Closed Reception (invite only)** *Highland/Hills Ballroom*
6:00 p.m. South Dakota Lt. Governor Matt Michaels- Welcome
6:15 p.m. Secretary Emery Thank you to sponsors

Thursday, January 28, 2016 – Governor’s Mansion & Capitol Building

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Tribal Chairman/President Breakfast with the Governor and First Lady (invite only)** Governor’s Mansion

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Tribal, Federal, & Veteran booths** Capitol Rotunda
South Dakota Department of Tribal Relations
South Dakota Department of Veteran Affairs
Tribal Booths
Federal Booths

11:45 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. **State – Tribal Relations Day Ceremony** Capitol Rotunda
Honor Guard – Lakota Women Warriors
Prayer – Gerald Zephier
Governor’s Welcome
State-Tribal Relations Awards
Secretary’s Remarks
Tribal Leaders Remarks
Constitutional Officers Remarks
Drum Group - Bad Nation

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Traditional Lunch** Capitol Rotunda
McIntosh High School ProStart Culinary Arts Program
InterTribal Buffalo Council – Lakota Thrifty Mart