

# POARCH CREEK INDIANS

## Our Mission

Seeking Prosperity and Self-Determination

### ALABAMA NATIVES

The Poarch Creek Indians is the only federally recognized Indian Tribe in Alabama, operating as a sovereign nation with its own government. We are a surviving segment of the original Creek Nation, having lived together for nearly 200 years in and around our reservation in Poarch, Alabama. We strive daily to preserve our heritage, culture, and community.

### ALABAMA NEIGHBORS

We are dedicated to serving our community, believing that goodwill and strong community ties can build a better world for all. Our mission extends beyond our borders, caring deeply for our Alabama neighbors and contributing to the state's history, present, and future.

## Tribal Government

Our government operates with fairness and transparency, fostering trust and encouraging perseverance through challenges. Respect for all contributions is central to our purpose.

### LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

A nine-member Tribal Council, with one-third elected each year, manages Tribal affairs.

### EXECUTIVE BRANCH

The Tribal Chair, serving as CEO, oversees daily government activities, supported by various administrative departments.

### JUDICIAL BRANCH

The Tribal Supreme Court, Tribal Court, and Drug Court form our Judicial Branch, emphasizing our sovereignty as Alabama has no jurisdiction over our Reservation. The Federal Court only handles major criminal offenses on the Reservation.



## Our Heritage

Descendants of the original Creek Nation, we have a rich heritage tracing back to the Paleo-Indian period. The Treaty of Fort Jackson in 1814 and the Indian Removal Act of 1830 significantly impacted our ancestors. Despite these challenges, several Creek leaders received land grants, forming the home of today's Poarch Band of Creek Indians.

## Our Purpose

Federally recognized in 1984, we have grown from a largely ignored, impoverished settlement to a thriving community. Our Reservation covers 22,000 acres, with 344 acres designated as Tribal land. We work tirelessly to preserve our identity and self-governance.

## Our Future

We foster independence and pride among our Tribal Members, connecting them to their heritage and encouraging participation in community activities. We value open communication, progressive partnerships, and support for economic and community development.

## Our Community

We actively contribute to the broader Alabama community, providing scholarships and donations to various organizations. Our growth has strengthened our partnership with Alabama, creating job opportunities and driving economic growth.







## BUFORD L. ROLIN HEALTH CLINIC

Opened in 2014, this state-of-the-art facility provides comprehensive healthcare services, including primary care, laboratory, radiology, therapy, diabetes education, behavioral health, and more. In 2023, we served 2,872 patients with over 45,000 visits.

## ELDER SERVICES

We offer Homemaker Case Aide services, in-home care, and the Lavan Martin Assisted Living Facility to support our elderly and disabled Tribal Members. Our programs ensure quality care and assistance with daily living skills.

## TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

We provide transportation for eligible Tribal Members to medical appointments, ensuring accessibility to healthcare services.

## SAIL CENTER

Our SAIL Center supports Tribal Elders with nutritious meals, activities, and community engagement. We prepare around 300 meals daily and organize annual trips and events.

## FRED L. MCGHEE EARLY LEARNING CENTER

This center offers a Pre-K program for children aged two to four, emphasizing cultural education and development.

## BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

With 456 active members, our Boys and Girls Club provides meals, transportation, and daily activities, fostering a supportive environment for children.



## Poarch Creek Utility Authority

Established in the early 1990s, our Utility Authority supports extensive economic growth, providing water, wastewater, solid waste, and high-speed internet services. Recent investments have enhanced our infrastructure, benefiting both the Tribe and the surrounding communities.

## Poarch Creek Housing Department

We provide safe, sanitary housing through rental and home ownership programs, supporting Tribal Members with affordable housing options.

## Poarch Creek Indians Museum

Opened in 2012, our museum showcases the history and culture of the Muskogee Creek Indians, offering guided and self-guided tours and serving as a welcome center for the reservation.

## Creek Indian Enterprises Development Authority (CIEDA)

CIEDA manages non-gaming enterprises and investments, focusing on tourism, hospitality, manufacturing, and retail to create business opportunities.

## Poarch Creek Indians Federal Services

Providing services to U.S. federal agencies and the Department of Defense, we deliver exceptional products and services through our growing enterprise.



## OWA Parks & Resort

OWA, meaning “big water,” is a premier destination featuring theme park rides, an indoor water park, dining, shopping, and entertainment, owned and operated by the Tribe.

## Wind Creek Hospitality

As our principal gaming and hospitality entity, Wind Creek operates 10 properties, offering gaming, entertainment, dining, and luxurious accommodations.

## Magnolia Branch Wildlife Reserve

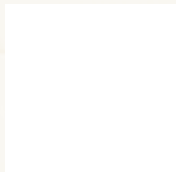
This reserve offers outdoor activities like hiking, biking, bird watching, and camping, providing a natural retreat for guests.

## Perdido River Farms

Our 2,900-acre farm supports a sustainable cattle herd, producing USDA-inspected beef. A new meat processing facility will enhance our ability to deliver high-quality products to the market.

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