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March 2016 Update

SISPA is a private non-profit organization whose purpose is to raise funds to protect and preserve the unique history of the Stewart Indian School in Carson City, NV. The role of the SISPA in raising funds for the overall living legacy project is critical to the State of Nevada's efforts to protect and preserve this important piece of Nevada history.

The following is a breakdown of the next steps and projects underway by SISPA.

- 1) Outreach: Using Constant Contact we have developed an database of around 2,500 emails to promote awareness of SISPA and the Stewart Indian School Living Legacy Project. We are targeting legislative lobbyists, Federal, State, Tribal and Local officials, chambers of commerce, business leaders, Stewart alumni and others. We will continue to build this database and are looking for contacts to add. We have sent out three email blasts so far and will continue to send out at least tow blasts per month.
- 2) Under the Stewart Stars Event: In conjunction with National Historic Preservation Month in May and the nationwide celebration for the 50th Anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act we have planned our first fundraising event for Saturday May 21st. Join us for an exclusive behind the scenes tour of the historic Stewart Indian School campus with Stewart Alumni followed by an evening of dinner and entertainment. Proceeds from the event will go to support the Stewart Living Legacy Project and the SISPA. A limited number of tickets will be made available for this exclusive event. For additional information please call 775-544-7269 or email info.sispanv@gmail.com.
- 3) Packages: Using our volunteer Board and Staff members we have developed packages for fundraising and outreach for SISPA. A fundraising

- package will be used for donor and grant outreach. The speaking package would be used for speaking to community groups about the SISPA.
- 4) Grants: Under the direction of Board Member Terri McBride, SISPA staff has begun to pursue grants to support the Stewart Living Legacy Project and funding for SISPA. We have identified private funding and grant opportunities for the project and we are working on sending out fundraising letters.
 - 5) Project Coordination: It is critical that all grants and fundraising efforts by SISPA will be done in close coordination with Nevada Indian Commission and its Staff. Vice Chairman Kostan Lathouris recently met with NIC staff about ongoing grant projects for Stewart and discussed ways SISPA can assist with those projects. Vice Chairman Lathouris will continue to lead the project coordination efforts for SISPA with NIC and other partners.
 - 6) Phone Number & Email Addresses: Through a generous donation from AT&T Nevada has set up a phone number for people to call to get information about SISPA, 775-544-7269. Additionally emails have been set up for the volunteer staff and for general information; info.sispanv@gmail.com, carey.sisipanv@gmail.com, tanchek.sispa@gmail.com.

If you have any questions or need any additional information about SISPA please do not hesitate to contact, Scott Carey at 775-830-4369 or shcarey@sbcglobal.net.

