

# 10th Tribal Land Staff National Conference

*Educational opportunities for land professionals in Indian Country*



## Meet ILTF's Board of Directors



**Hans-Dieter Klose** is from Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community in Arizona. He has a long family history of land planning going back to his grandfather, who helped draft some of the original land planning documents for Salt River. Klose has a consulting business and advises on matters of commercial development and leasing on Native American lands. “Land ties us to the past and our ancestors; it gives us life and identity,” he said. “We benefit from the resources provided by our lands today, and our lands connect us to the needs and hopes of future Indians.”

A graduate of Dartmouth College, Klose has previously served as Director of Salt River’s Community Development Department and has consulted on American Indian trust property issues since 2005. He joined the ILTF Board of Directors in 2014. “I believe the Foundation is completing some of the most meaningful and effective work today to recover and protect Indian lands,” he said. “I’m privileged to be able to contribute to that cause by participating as a board member.”

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## Helping Native children and families have a joyful Christmas

Meeting the basic needs of our families, communities, and tribes is crucial in Indian Country, but our children deserve more than that. We want them to enjoy special opportunities for growth and happiness just like other kids. The Native Children's Holiday Program, managed by ILTF through the Spirit of Sovereignty Fund, offers a unique opportunity to help make the holidays special for Indian children who live in difficult circumstances in struggling communities.



Thanks to the generosity of individual and corporate contributors, the toys, clothing and food many people take for granted during the holidays can become reality for hundreds of thankful children and families. We need your help to meet this year's goal of providing one toy and one article of clothing each to 2,500 children.

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## **The 10th Tribal Land Staff National Conference**

The National Tribal Land Association (NTLA) began as a vision of what Indian Country could become if those individuals working for tribes in a land-related position had opportunities to come together for learning, sharing, collaborating and networking with one another. One of the key components of that is the annual Tribal Land Staff National Conference, which provides educational opportunities on the latest issues facing tribes, as well as opportunities for networking with other land professionals in Indian Country.

Co-hosted by NTLA and the Indian Land Tenure Foundation, the 10th anniversary conference will be held in Minnesota, March 24-26, 2020 at the Mystic Lake Center, located in the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community near Minneapolis. The conference theme is, 'Envisioning 2020 with 20/20: A look back at 10 years in Indian Country.' The first such conference was held in 2011 in Las Vegas. Since then, nearly 170 tribes have sent representatives to the event which has been held at sites across Indian Country.

For more information on the Tribal Land Staff National Conference, please visit the NTLA website at **[www.ntla.info](http://www.ntla.info)**.

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