



# THE MAIN LINE

2024 First Quarter



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## District Days Return, Bringing Convenient GRTI Bill Payments

In a bid to foster community engagement and make bill payments more accessible, District Days has made a triumphant return to our community. This special event provides a unique opportunity for community members to settle their GRTI bills in person. With designated locations in District Three and District Six, residents can conveniently connect with GRTI customer service representatives and streamline their billing needs.

Event Details:  
District Three's Service Center and District Six's Learning Center have

been chosen as the venues for this year's District Days. Residents in these areas can visit these locations between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to make in-person payments for their GRTI bills. The on-site GRTI customer service representatives will be readily available to assist and address any billing-related queries.

District Days isn't just about bill payments; it's also an opportunity for residents to connect with the Digital Connect Initiative. DCI can address technology questions related to software and hardware. Stop by and address any questions you may have.

### GRTI Closure Notice

May 27 - Memorial Day  
July 4 - Independence Day

### District Days - Sacaton

10:00AM - 3:00PM  
April 2 | May 8 | June 5

### District Days - Komatke

April 3 | May 9 | June 6

### Monthly Bill Due Date

April 15 | May 15 | June 15

### GRTI Disconnect Day

Occurs if you have not paid your previous bill.  
April 10 | May 14 | June 11

# Gila River Indian Community to Host Net Inclusion 2025



Digital Connect recently attended Net Inclusion, the premier digital inclusion conference in the nation. This annual national conference brings together over 1,300 experts and practitioners from around the country, so it is a big deal that the Gila River Indian Community will host Net Inclusion in 2025!

Digital inclusion is the work that communities around the world – cities, counties, schools, libraries, local governments, tribal nations, and more – are doing to ensure their people have access to the internet, digital tools, resources, and support necessary to fully participate in our highly interconnected modern world.

Net Inclusion is hosted by the National Digital Inclusion Alliance (NDIA), a national non-profit focused on bridging the

digital divide through advocacy and practitioner support. Digital Connect is the proud recipient of an NDIA grant, which has allowed us to hire a full-time Digital Navigator to work with individuals in our community.

Digital Connect®, an Initiative of Gila River Telecommunications, Inc., is working with the GRIC tribal government to ensure that digital inclusion is a priority for our community members and residents. Two GRIC staff members attended Net Inclusion 2024 with Digital Connect staff, where we learned about the many ways others are addressing digital inclusion challenges in their communities. We look forward to sharing our progress at Net Inclusion next year!

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*Thank you for connecting with us!*

# Alluvion Embarks on a Collaborative Venture: New Facility in Casa Grande, AZ Promises Broad Connectivity



The ceremony held on November 29th, 2023, symbolized a harmonious beginning for Alluvion's new facility in Casa Grande. This event was not just

a ceremonial gesture; it marked the commencement of a project that holds great promise for the community. As Alluvion's new facility in Casa

Grande moves from the ground blessing ceremony to the building phase, the community eagerly awaits the positive changes it will bring. With the collaborative support of Gila River Telecommunications, Inc. and subsidiaries, this venture symbolizes the potential for technological advancement and connectivity in the region. As the project unfolds, it stands poised to not only benefit Casa Grande but also strengthen the ties between the Tohono O'odham Nation and Alluvion, fostering progress and prosperity for both communities.

Check out their blog post and video for an in depth look at the major differences and benefits at [alluvion.net/blog/GuutNSsH](http://alluvion.net/blog/GuutNSsH).

## Empowering Elderly Connectivity: The Vital Role of Fiber Internet

Fiber internet holds significant importance for our elderly due to its capacity to enhance various aspects of their daily lives. Firstly, fiber internet enables faster and more reliable internet connections compared to traditional options like DSL or cable. This reliability ensures seamless communication through video calls with family members, healthcare providers, or support networks, fostering social connections and reducing feelings of isolation commonly experienced by the our elderly.

Moreover, fiber internet facilitates access to online resources such as telemedicine services, virtual classes, and entertainment platforms, empowering our elderly individuals to engage in lifelong learning, healthcare monitoring, and leisure activities from the comfort of their homes. This accessibility is particularly crucial for

seniors with mobility issues or limited access to transportation.

Furthermore, fiber internet supports home automation and remote monitoring systems, enabling our elderly individuals to enjoy their independence safely while staying connected to caregivers or emergency services. The stability and bandwidth provided by fiber optics also ensure consistent access to critical services like online banking, shopping, and accessing government resources, contributing to the overall quality of life and well-being of the elderly population. In essence, fiber internet plays a pivotal role in promoting connectivity, accessibility, and autonomy for elderly individuals in an increasingly digital world.



# Text Alerts are being introduced to GRTI

Introducing our new text alert program! Stay connected and informed with timely updates on bill payments, appointment scheduling, and outage notifications for telecommunications services, all directly to your phone. Never miss a payment deadline or appointment again with convenient reminders sent straight to your device. Receive real-time updates on service outages in your area, ensuring you're always in the know about any disruptions. Opt-in today for personalized messages guaranteeing

that you receive the information that matters most to you. Join now to experience the convenience and peace of mind our text alert program provides!

Contact our service representatives at: (520) 796-3333

*Our representatives will take your address, cellphone number, and contact name down for the text alert program.*



## GRBC'S BRIGHT FUTURE WITH HEARD MUSEUM

GRBC provides another successful **LIVE** broadcast of the Heard Museum's Hoop Dance competition.



Cordell and Yvonne go over the participant list.

The 2 day event held in February is an ongoing partnership with the Heard Museum, which started in 2019.



Yvonne on camera filming our interviews.



Anthony on camera bringing you the action.

GRBC broadened this years production by including **LIVE** interviews throughout the broadcast.



Alyse also on camera with a second view of dancers.

We look forward to continuing our partnership, as well as providing Indigenous content to our viewers and the community.

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