

## PIA Presentation Notes

### Slide 1

This year's PIA theme "***Honoring the past, treasuring the present, and shaping the future***" honors the historical gains that have led to today's successes, and recognizes the region's Tribe's contemporary efforts that will undoubtedly shape the future of Indian Country.

BIA – Youth initiatives is in a sense The Shaping of the future by those who honor the past and treasure the present.

Some 15 years ago I asked my best friend "is time travel possible"; Ray's reply was simply and insightful yes, we are travelling from the past during the present and into the future. What we do today can have a profoundly positive impact on tomorrow.

In 20 years our present will be our children's past; together we can honor our children by shaping their future past.

### Slide 2

In 2015 President Obama launched the Gen I initiative – what does this really mean? Recognition, policy, change, creating an open door, making an effort to listen and help when and where needed.

### Slide 4

Policy – It is important to understand the issues facing native youth today. I did not grow up on a reservation, I am not native therefore, and I am in some regard ignorant. Ignorant does simple not know – but I am open to learn, and to constantly listen.

Budget – What does that mean for me at a program level? Everything and nothing! It means that perhaps we can start to classify and create entry level jobs for Native youth to get a foot in the drove and simultaneously create a pathway for career advancement.

Outreach – I really like outreach because it doesn't have to be a major policy shift, or budgetary obligation – it can be simple and effective – it may mean simply talking about your career and your struggles and equally as important listening to theirs.

### Slide 5

Read slide and explain each point

Slide 6 -Overwhelmed with the requirements, made a map, use Dad was a wood work, measure twice cut once relating that the our Budget – getting the most for your efforts because we work for and with Tribes.

Slide 7 -Show the branches and explain why the outreach connection ability to share knowledge

Slide 8 -Merben's program

Slide 9 - Networking and outreach Conservation Corps and MN Indian Affairs Council - the students interview us. Show that the BIA –MR is a good place to work

Slide 10 – jobs on USAJOBS.gov student, recent grads, and regular jobs

Slide 11 - Slide Suggestions, questions?

Slide 12 – Activity