



# California Indian Basketweavers' Association

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April 24, 2023

Chairperson  
California Valley Miwok Tribe  
14807 Avenida Central  
La Grange, CA 95329

Dear Tribal Chairperson or Tribal Council,

The California Indian Basketweavers' Association's vision is to preserve, promote, and perpetuate California Indian Basket weaving traditions while providing a healthy physical, social, spiritual and economic environment for Basketweavers. Our organization continues to provide basket workshops, youth engagement, fire safety, cultural burn information and pesticide awareness throughout the state of California.

Our Annual Gathering brings together weavers from across the state, providing community support, teachings, different styles of traditional weaving, and intergenerational learning opportunities. Our board and membership look forward to this event all year with excitement, knowing the attendees will gain traditional knowledge of weaving or gain a resource to take back to their community.

Gatherings welcome young weavers so that our California Indian youth can learn these vital traditions, so that weaving can be carried forward and nurtured by future generations. We honor our Elders, for they hold the knowledge for our people to carry on traditions. We feel Elders are keepers of our tribal histories, and well-respected mentors.

We are excited to announce that the 32nd Annual Basketweavers' Gathering will be hosted by the Middletown Rancheria at Twin Pines Hotel and Casino, June 30 – July 2, 2023.

We would greatly appreciate any support that you could provide to help us fund this special event.

Sincerely,

Alice Lincoln-Cook  
Chairperson