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AMERIND Hosts 13th Annual Golf Tournament to Benefit Uninsured Tribal Families and Two Native-Strong Organizations

SANTA ANA PUEBLO, N.M. _ February 24, 2017_ Benefitting families without homeowners insurance who suffered devastating loss, as well as cancer education and domestic violence prevention, AMERIND Risk's 13th Annual Protecting Tribal Families Golf Fundraiser will take place April 27.

[AMERIND Risk](#), the nation's only 100 percent, tribally owned insurance company, created the Family Emergency Fund to help uninsured tribal homeowners rebuild or repair after a fire, flood or other catastrophic event. The tournament has raised more than \$100,000 for multiple families in Indian Country since its inception.

Though tribal housing authorities and tribes encourage all homeowners to buy homeowners insurance, some may forgo a policy for various reasons. AMERIND created the fund to help families recover from disaster and raise awareness to homeowners on the necessity of having home insurance to protect your family from devastating losses.

"We know all too well the pain and suffering that happens after losing a home," said Alan Romero, AMERIND Director of Claims.

The fundraiser will also benefit the [Coalition to Stop Violence Against Native Women](#), a New Mexico-based nonprofit that works to stop violence against Native women and children by advocating for social change. Additionally, the tournament will benefit the [American Indian Cancer Foundation](#), a Minnesota-based nonprofit that provides cancer education, prevention, early detection, treatment and survivor support.

The highly ranked (by *Golf Week* and *Golf Digest*) [Twin Warriors Golf Club](#) will include a 4-person scramble, contests, lunch and an awards reception following the tournament at Santa Ana Pueblo, New Mexico. Prizes include a chance to win \$10,000 for a hole-in-one and an opportunity to participate in a putting contest to win \$2,500.

"Everyone is welcomed to participate for this fun day of golf," AMERIND CEO Derek Valdo said. "Thank you for supporting tribal families in need, those who train domestic violence prevention personnel and those who provide culturally-sensitive cancer care."

Sponsorships are available. In-kind gifts, including golf balls, hotel or golf packages, are being accepted. Sponsorships and funds raised from the tournament will directly benefit families and youth in Indian Country.

Included with online registration is a 1-year subscription to *Golf Digest*, a \$10 value. To register, go to [AMERINDRisk.org](#). For more information, contact Nancy Harjo Serna, (505) 404-5000 or [NSerna@AMERINDRisk.org](#)