**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR POWWOW**

All proceeds from the Annual One Nation Colorado Springs Powwow support the work of One Nation Walking Together, a 501 (c) 3 Native charity based in Colorado Springs. One Nation collects and distributes food, clothing, furniture and other daily essentials to help the poorest of the poor on Indian Reservations in an eight state area.

The folks who organize and run the powwow are all volunteers – there are no paid staff. By using volunteers we are able to keep costs to a minimum and maximize the proceeds from the powwow donated to One Nation.

We have a great need for volunteers to help in several areas. On Friday, June 9, the day before the powwow, we need folks to load, transport, and setup chairs at the venue. On Saturday, June 10, the day of the powwow, we need volunteers throughout the day. We schedule volunteers in two hour shifts to allow everyone some time to enjoy the powwow activities and great Native food. Of course, volunteers receive free admission to the powwow. The most important shifts are in the morning, from 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM when we assist the vendors to unload and set up their booths, and in the evening from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM when we help vendors load their vehicles, put away tables and chairs, and generally clean up the facility. We also need volunteers to load up the borrowed chairs and return them. During the day we have a need for volunteers to oversee the designated area set aside for the elderly/disabled, to monitor the parking areas designated for the Head Staff and special guests, and to help where needed.

By being a volunteer, you will be part of one of the largest annual cultural events in Colorado Springs – about 3,000 people attend each year. More importantly, you will be helping to ensure the success of an event that supports the efforts of One Nation Walking Together to provide the needy on local Reservations with basic items needed for their daily survival. Any amount of time you can donate to this effort will be greatly appreciated.

If you can help, please call Al or Rhetta Walter at 719-559-0525 or 703-798-4320.