Read about Indian tribal governments in the state of Washington:

[Tribal govts today - LWV chp 6.pdf](https://lwtech.instructure.com/courses/2335324/files/219295998?wrap=1)

[Actions](https://lwtech.instructure.com/courses/2335324/assignments/29711124?module_item_id=73708683)

  Chapter 6 in the publication *The State We’re In: Washington. Your guide to state,*
*tribal and local government*by the League of Women Voters of Washington Education Fund.

QUESTIONS (post answers below) - 25 pts

1. Where do you live (identify city, town or county location)? Whose land\* was it before non-Indian settlers began arriving?

2. Can you identify the modern Indian tribe(s) that is (are) the successor to that original Indigenous owner?

3. Where is that Tribe located from where you live? Have you ever been to their reservation?

4. Check out their website - what services and resources do they provide to their community? What political issues are they actively engages in or concerned about at local, state or federal levels?

5. How can you be an ally to local Indian tribal communities in helping to ensure their rights of self-determination on issues they care about are respected?

\* The document at this link traces the historic Native places and names in the Lake WA region: [https://www.kirklandwa.gov/files/sharedassets/public/city-managers-office/pdfs/kirkland-its-native-american-past-and-present-by-david-buerge.pdfLinks to an external site.](https://www.kirklandwa.gov/files/sharedassets/public/city-managers-office/pdfs/kirkland-its-native-american-past-and-present-by-david-buerge.pdf)

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**This map shows the location of Tribes and their reservation lands in Washington state today.**



**The map below shows the original land areas belonging to Tribes of Washington which were ceded (transferred) to the United States by treaty or by executive order. The darker brown areas are the land areas still retained by the Tribes as reservation lands.**



For a sharper image and more  detailed interactive version of this map, open: <https://goia.wa.gov/sites/default/files/public/tribal-gov/Tribal_Cedres.pdf>.

**Chief Moses** of the Sin-kah-you people of north-central Washington, went on a mission to Washington DC to petition President Rutherford Hayes for what became the short-lived Moses Reservation – see map of the aboriginal territories (pre-1900) f the 12 Confederated Bands of the Colville Reservation, see <https://www.cct-hsy.com/demographics>.

For a brief history of Chief Moses and his efforts to preserve his people's homeland, see [https://www.historylink.org/File/8870Links to an external site.](https://www.historylink.org/File/8870) For a photo of Chief Moses during the visit to DC, see <https://digitalcollections.lib.washington.edu/digital/collection/loc/id/434>.