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Tatewin Means

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Tatewin Means is from the Sisseton Wahpeton Dakota, Oglala Lakota and Inhanktonwan nations in South Dakota.

Tatewin grew up in her Oglala homelands where her father is from. She received her Bachelor of Science degree from Stanford University in Environmental Engineering with a minor in Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity, JD with a concentration in Human Rights Law from the University of Minnesota Law School, and Master of Arts degree in Lakota Leadership and Management from Oglala Lakota College.

A longtime advocate for human rights, survivors, children, and families, Tatewin Means served as the Attorney General for the Oglala Sioux Tribe in the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation from 2012-2017. In 2018, Tatewin sought the Democratic nomination for South Dakota Attorney General—the first ever Indigenous woman to seek the office of a state Attorney General in the United States. Tatewin served as a German Marshall Fund Marshall Memorial Fellow in 2015, and a 2020 fellow in PolicyLink’s Ambassadors for Health Equity fellowship. Currently, Tatewin is a 2022 Rockwood Leadership Institute’s Leading from the Inside Out Fellow.

Tatewin is the Executive Director of Thunder Valley Community Development Corporation, an Indigenous grassroots organization in Oglala Territory, seeking liberation for Lakota people through language, lifeways and spirituality.





Lisa Wade
Executive Director
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Lisa Wade is Ahtna Dene' of the taltsiine (water clan) and the c'etsiy tnaey (iron people clan). Lisa is a Nay'dini'aa Na' Kayax (Chickaloon Native Village) Tribal citizen, a wife, and mother of two amazing daughters, and she currently lives at Tsidak'etna' (Grandmother's Creek) in Alaska. Lisa has worked for Chickaloon Village Traditional Council since 2007, first as the Health, Education, and Social Services Division Director, and since April 2021 she has served as their

Executive Director. Lisa previously served as a Chickaloon Village Traditional Council Member from 2012-2021, and she represents her community as a member of the Southcentral Foundation Board of Directors, Benteh/Nuutah Valley Native Primary Care Center Joint Operating Board, Mat-Su Health Foundation Board of Directors, Alaska Family Services Board of Directors, and Ce'yiiits Hwnax Life House Community Health Center Advisory Committee. Additionally, Lisa serves on numerous steering committees and is one of the founding members of Mat-Su Racial Equity Dialogues. Lisa is committed to decolonizing and indigenizing systems, policies, and practices to stimulate the building of healthy communities. Lisa enjoys spending time with her family, Ahtna language and cultural learning, and creating community-based resistance and liberation art.