



DECLARATION OF VACANCY

GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL SEATS FOR

**DISTRICT 1 • DISTRICT 3 • DISTRICT 4 (2 seats)
DISTRICT 5 (2 seats) • DISTRICT 6**

DECLARATION PERIOD:

February 5, 2026–February 19, 2026

Any person who meets the qualifications listed below in accordance to the Constitution, may file a declaration of candidacy for office of Community Council during the declaration period.

Constitution & Bylaws of the GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY

ARTICLE VI—QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFICERS

Section 1. No person shall be elected or hold office as Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Chief Judge, Associate Judges, or Councilmen unless he (1) is a member of the Community; (2) has reached the age of twenty-five (25) years; (3) has been living in the particular district he is to represent for at least sixty (60) days immediately preceding the election; (4) has been living on the Reservation for at least one year immediately preceding the election. Additional qualifications may be prescribed by ordinance.

Section 2. No person who, within the year preceding the election, has been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude shall be eligible to hold office in the Community.

Declaration of Candidacy (DOC) forms will be available February 5, 2026

The form can be requested through email at TEP@gric.nsn.us or picked up at the Tribal Elections Office 291 W. Casa Blanca Road, Building 9, Sacaton, Arizona

COMPLETED FORMS MUST BE RETURNED IN PERSON