

Honorable Walter Phelps
BIO

After completing High School in Flagstaff, AZ in 1976, Phelps continued his studies at Northwest Indian Bible School College in Alberton, Montana and the Lamson Business College, Phoenix, Arizona. Following Business College Phelps worked 8 years with a Native Christian organization in South Dakota then moved to Yakima, Washington in 1990 where he ran a successful small business building homes. In 1993 Mr. Phelps moved his family back to Navajo Nation in northern Arizona.

During his career Mr. Phelps has personally worked in the fields of Agriculture, Social Work, Housing (public and private), Navajo Chapter leadership (one 4 year term), Congressional staff for Arizona's 1st Congressional District as tribal liaison for 7 Arizona tribes (2002 to 2008), and after this Mr. Phelps was employed with Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation with a service area coverage of nine Navajo Chapters.

During the 2010 Navajo Nation election season Mr. Phelps made a successful bid for a seat on the Navajo Nation Council and now serves as a member of the 22nd Navajo Nation Council representing five chapter communities, Leupp, Birdsprings, Tolani Lake, Cameron, and Coalmine Mesa. Mr. Phelps currently serves as a member of the Navajo Nation Council Health, Education and Human Services Committee and was recently elected chairman of the Navajo Nation Council's Navajo Hopi Land Commission.