

Terry Rambler

Chairman, San Carlos Apache Tribe

Terry Rambler is a member of the San Carlos Apache Tribe and speaks and understands the Apache language. He was elected to the San Carlos Apache Tribal Council in 2004 and 2008. He was elected Chairman of the Tribe in 2010 and reelected in 2014. He is currently the Chairman of the Arizona Indian Gaming Association (AIGA) and previously served as the President of the Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona from 2012 – 2014.

As Chairman of the San Carlos Apache Tribe, Terry Rambler has focused on projects that meet critical needs for his people – today and in the future, such as improving education, creating jobs, providing better health care, and developing the infrastructure to support future growth and development. Because of his concern about unemployment for Tribal members, Terry Rambler's administration established the San Carlos Training Institute where Tribal members are being trained as heavy equipment operators, diesel mechanics, electricians, welders, and plant equipment operators. The Rambler Administration has also spearheaded efforts to establish an Apache College on the Reservation. He also continued the development of a second casino, which will provide more employment for Tribal and non-Tribal members.

He has helped continue the construction of a new hospital and medical campus that is scheduled to open in 2015. This project will not only improve health care for Tribal members, it will provide professional and administrative job opportunities.

On the federal level, he is leading negotiations to settle water rights issues for the Tribe, and formed a nationwide coalition to save sacred sites.

As a Councilman representing the Bylas District, Terry Rambler served as Chairman of the Transportation Committee, the Finance Committee and the Housing Board. He also helped develop a community master plan to open up new lands for housing, school, farming and business development. During his time as a Councilmember, the Tribal Council appointed him as Acting Tribal Treasurer for a year to help improve the Tribe's financial management system.

From 2004 to 2012, Terry Rambler served on the Fort Thomas Unified School District Board. As a member of that board, he helped build a new learning center which led to the formation of an Alternative School. The board also initiated a new elementary school in the Bylas Community.

In 2002, Terry Rambler served as Executive Assistant to Chairwoman Kathy W. Kitcheyan. From 1980 to 1990, Rambler worked for the San Carlos Forestry Program as a Southwest Fire Fighter. He helped fight forest fires in Arizona, Nevada, California, Idaho, Washington and New Mexico. He also was employed by the Tohono O'odham Nation in 1994 as a contract administrator.

Terry Rambler earned a B.S. in Business Management from the University of Phoenix in 2001. He is a single parent of three children. Chairman Rambler has a strong faith and believes in the power of prayer.