

YAKUTAT TLINGIT TRIBE

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Cynthia Petersen, of the Galv'ax Kaagwaantaañ (Eagle/Beaver clan) and daughter of the K'inex Kwaan, serves as the Tribal President of the Yakutat Tlingit Tribe (YTT). Committed to tribal self-governance, she brings extensive experience, including over a decade managing multiple departments at Yak-Tat Kwaan, Inc., a for-profit ANCSA Native Corporation, and 14 years as Yakutat Community Delegate for CCTHITA. Throughout her tenure at YTT, she has held key roles in Realty, Administration, and leadership, previously serving as Interim Executive Director (2020-2021, 2024). A lifelong Yakutat resident, Cynthia remains dedicated to her community through service with the Alaska Native Sisterhood and Yakutat Canoe Family. She is a proud mother of three and cherishes time with family, subsistence gathering, and embracing cultural traditions.

MISSION To empower our tribal community to thrive for generations to come by contributing positively to haa shagóon, our legacy as the people of Yaakwáadai.

