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Carla L. Johnson
VICE CHAIRWOMAN

Biographical Sketch of Carla L. Johnson Tohono O'odham Nation Vice Chairwoman

Vice Chairwoman Carla L. Johnson is an enrolled member of the Tohono O'odham Nation from the Kohatk Community of the Nation's Sif Oidak District. She most recently served as the CEO of the Economic Development Authority of the Tohono O'odham Nation, where she was also a Board Member for four years.

She was previously Operations Manager at the SODA Stop, a retail enterprise of the Sif Oidak Development Authority. She also oversaw the audit department of the Ak Chin Tribal Gaming Agency within Harrah's Ak Chin Casino and worked in the administration for a recent housing development project for the Gila River Indian Community. She previously served as Executive Director of the Arizona Indian Gaming Association (AIGA).

Vice Chairwoman Johnson earned her Bachelor's Degree in Business Management and a Master's in Business Administration from Grand Canyon University. She is currently working on her dissertation to obtain a Doctorate in Business Administration. She also attends the American Indian Policy Institute's Indigenous Leadership Academy at ASU. She is a proud single mother of two sons, an avid hiker, and enjoys her research on entrepreneurship and economic development in Indian Country.

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