

## Spring Lobby Weekend 2024

MARCH 16-19, 2024 » WASHINGTON, D.C. & ONLINE

## Fruth. Healing. Justice.

"It hits home standing in this room with so many other Native people. I am a direct line from my ancestors. I have to stand up for what is right, even and especially if no one is looking."

Avery Hunter, 31 • Flint, MI

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Rogelio Meixueiro (Xidza), 26 Dallas, TX



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"I have close family members that are Indian Boarding Schools survivors. I carry it with me everyday. These schools and policies continue to harm my people."

Kristen Velasquez-Howe (Southern Ute), 27 Southern Ute

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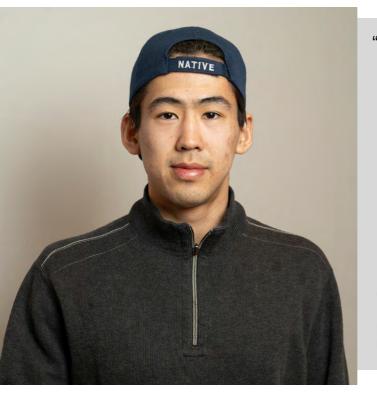
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Reservation, CO

"This bill can make a huge positive difference in Native lives. America has a **moral imperative to make this right.** If nothing else, to own it."

QunmiGu Kacey Hopson (Native Village of Barrow), 29, Anchorage, AK





"I traveled here from a very small town North of the Arctic Circle. It is inspiring to see **civic engagement in action.** Really learn first-hand about democracy and lobbying."

Calvin Miller (Native Village of Barrow), 24 Utqiagvik, AK "I am here to learn as much as possible. To learn from all the people here for the people I love and represent. I am hoping to do that job well and have it be a proud moment. **This is just the start.**"

> Carson O'Rourke (Oglala Lakota), 23 Kile (Pine Ridge), SD

Healing.

Pass the Truth & Healing Commission on Indian Boarding Schools bill.

## 2024 Spring Lobby Weekend by the Numbers

**333** Total attendees

- **70%** First-time attendees
- **100** Total lobby visits
- **58** Visits with offices of Democrats

**41** Visits with offices of Republicans

Visit with office of an Independent



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