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Navajo & Hopi Families COVID-19 Relief Fund

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/NHFC19Relief>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/214813476301051/permalink/264393448009720/>

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<http://www.projectgirlcrush.com/surgeon>

Protect the Sacred

Join us in protecting our culture and elders by supporting front-line efforts to combat COVID-19 in Navajo Nation

<https://www.protectthesacred.care>

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<https://actionnetwork.org/fundraising/ethnic-studies-now-t-shirts>
