

## Elton Naswood

Elton is of the Near to the Water People Clan, born for the Edge Water People Clan, his maternal grandfather's clan is of the Mexican People, his paternal grandfather's clan is of the Tangle People, this is how he is Navajo, Dine. He is originally from Whitehorse Lake, New Mexico, and grew up in Window Rock, Arizona on the Navajo Reservation.

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He is currently a member of the Southwest Indigenous Women's Coalition LGBT Advisory Council; member of the Community Advisory Panel for NMAC and the U.S. Representative Leader for the International Indigenous Working Group on HIV/AIDS.

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