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Our Mission
Ain Dah Yung Center PROVIDES A HEALING PLACE for AMERICAN INDIAN YOUTH AND FAMILIES to thrive in safety and wholeness.

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