

A Successful Cybersecurity Summit: Tribal-ISAC's Leadership in Action

Tribal-ISAC proudly served as the title sponsor of the 5th Annual TribalHub Cybersecurity Summit, held at the Micosukee Casino & Resort, Feb. 26-28. The event brought together over 250 participants from tribal governments, enterprises, and health organizations, including nearly 50 Tribal-ISAC members. This event was an excellent opportunity for Tribal-ISAC to have a booth on the show floor in front of current and prospective members. Among 30+ vendors and cybersecurity solution providers, Tribal-ISAC had representatives from the Steering Committee and Tribal-ISAC's Coordinator in attendance to answer questions and network with participants. Over three days, attendees engaged in skill-building sessions, a vendor expo and networking events designed to foster collaboration and knowledge-sharing about tribal cybersecurity. Tribal-ISAC was the sponsor of the cocktail hour at the Vendor Expo where great conversation and connections happened all around! At the close of the expo, Tribal-ISAC received a generous \$500 donation. Tribal-ISAC's Par-Tee Charity Golf event the day before the summit served as a kick-off and raised funds to support the organization's mission of cyber threat prevention, information sharing, and community response.

Highlighting the strength of the Tribal-ISAC community, Steering Committee Members Robin Villareal, CIO of Gila River Resorts & Casinos, and Adam Gruscynski, IT Director of Potawatomi Casino Hotel, led an exclusive Tribal-ISAC Roundtable with over 75 participants. Guided discussions on cybersecurity resources strengthened trusted networks and reinforced the importance of collaboration among tribes. As Gruscynski noted, "One of the biggest benefits of the Tribal-ISAC is community and sharing your experiences to help others in all verticals of tribal information technology departments. That could not have been on display more." These conversations, along with Tribal-ISAC's ongoing resources like daily dispatches, monthly reports, and its 24/7 community discussion board, continue to empower tribes in building resilient cybersecurity programs.

Tribal-ISAC is seeking more opportunities at events like these to broaden its audience and achieve its mission through strength in unity. The ability to stand against cyber threats is more powerful together through the community of Tribal-ISAC.



Par-Tee Fore Security Charity Golf Event (left) / Tribal-ISAC Roundtable (right)