Indigenous Peoples’ Day

Each year, more cities, counties and states opt to celebrate an alternative to Columbus Day: Indigenous Peoples’ Day. Since 1990, 57 cities, 3 counties and 4 states have chosen to recognize Native Americans instead of honoring Christopher Columbus. Advocates for the switch have also voiced the desire for the change in Newcastle, ME, Santa Barbara, CA, Silver Lake, NM, and Miami County, KS, among others.

Adopted 2017

- Austin, TX (October 5th)
- Bangor, ME (August 29th)
- Brunswick, ME (September 18th)\(^1\)
- Burbank, CA (September 26th)
- Davenport, IA (September 27th)
- Durham, NH (September 18th)
- Iowa City, IA (October 3rd)
- Ithaca, NY (September 6th)
- Johnson County, IA (October 5th)
- Long Beach, CA (October 3rd)
- Los Angeles, CA (August 30th)
- Los Angeles County, CA (October 3rd)

- Moscow, ID (October 2nd)
- Nashville, TN (October 3rd)
- Norman, OK (August 22nd)
- Oberlin, OH (August 21st)
- Orono, ME (September 11th)
- Portland, ME (September 18th)
- Salt Lake City, UT (October 3rd)
- San Luis Obispo, CA (October 3rd)
- Tulsa, OK (September 13th)
- Tahlequah, OK (October 4th)
- Watsonville, CA (October 3rd)

Adopted 2016

- Amherst, MA (May 18th)
- Ann Arbor, MI (September 26th)
- Asheville, NC (January 12th)
- Bainbridge Island, WA (September 27th)
- Boulder, CO (August 2nd)
- Bozeman, MT (March 21st)
- Cambridge, MA (June 7th)
- Denver, CO (October 3rd)
- Durango, CO (January 5th)
- East Lansing, MI (September 27th)
- Eugene, OR (March 14th)

- Harpers Ferry, WV (October 10th)
- Lawrence, KS (April 19th)
- Madison, WI (October 4th)
- Northampton, MA (May 19th)
- Phoenix, AZ (October 5th)
- Santa Fe, NM (September 28th)
- Spokane, WA (August 29th)
- State of Alaska (October 10th)
- State of Minnesota (October 7th)
- State of Vermont (October 9th)
- Ypsilanti, MI (June 21st)

\(^1\) Celebrates both Indigenous Peoples’ Day and Columbus Day
Adopted 2015

- Akron/Newstead, NY (May 26th)
- Albuquerque, NM (October 7th)
- Alpena, MI (September 8th)
- Anadarko, OK (September 28th)
- Belfast, ME (December 17th)
- Bexar County, TX (October 6th)
- Carrboro, NC (October 6th)
- Olympia, WA (August 15th)
- Portland, OR (October 7th)
- San Fernando, CA (October 5th)
- St. Paul, MN (August 12th)
- Traverse City, MI (February 2nd)
- Village of Lewiston, NY (October 5th) ¹

Adopted 2014

- Grand Rapids, MN (December 15th)
- Minneapolis, MN (April 25th)
- Seattle, WA (October 12th)

Adopted 1994

- Santa Cruz, CA (October 13th)

Adopted 1992

- Berkeley, CA (January 27th)

Adopted 1990²

- Santa Cruz, CA
- State of South Dakota (September 4th)

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¹ Santa Cruz, CA and the State of South Dakota adopted the similar Native American Day in place of Columbus Day in 1990

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