

Dear Mr. President,

The Native American way of life has changed massively over the last 500 years.

The Native American population changed because most of the Native American people were unemployed and they were earning the minimal amount of money meaning that it was harder to get food and the resources they needed to survive, this was hard for the Native Americans because the white people had electricity and running water and so on and the Native Americans had none of that and they had to find water and food.

They lost control of their land because the white people came to America, they decided they were going to take the land away from the Native Americans meaning that there was now less land for the Native people. Adding to that, the Native people were promised land from the US government when the white settlers came but that promise was broken and the Native Americans were only left with 2% of the land and the white Americans took 98% of the land.

Their way of life and beliefs changed because when the white settlers came, they killed all the buffalo (that's why they were nearly extinct) so that the Native American would leave, now as we know the Native Americans really relied on the buffalo because it was their main food source but it was also how they made most of their clothes. Their beliefs were also changed because the buffalo had been killed meaning that they did not know where to go because they would follow the buffalo as the buffalos would move around trying to find more food.

However, the Native American culture should be celebrated and respected in the USA. The Native Americans believed in the circle of life; this was saying that they believed that the circle of life was nature's way of giving back life to the earth. It's also saying that if something or someone dies it will have new life to another.

I think it is important that we should remember the Native Americans traditional way of life because their way of life contributes a lot of what we do today like for example when we learn of the things people have done and we learn about them in class, they also showed us ways of how we can use horses and how the horses really helped them in life.

Yours sincerely,

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