

## DR. BUU NYGREN PRESIDENT

The Navajo Nation | Yideeską́ądi Nitsáhákees

Elected the youngest Navajo Nation President in history at the age of 35, Dr. Buu Nygren is a carpenter, construction manager, and father. After serving Navajo communities throughout the pandemic, the President committed himself to securing the basic necessities for every Navajo home: water, power, and reliable roads. His focus on combating poverty is a guiding principle for the Navajo Nation Executive Branch.

Prior to announcing his candidacy, Dr. Nygren was the Chief Commercial Officer for the Navajo Engineering and Construction Authority (NECA), a quasi-independent tribal enterprise headquartered in Shiprock, New Mexico. His tenure at NECA began in 2019.



In 2018, President Nygren was selected as the vice-presidential running mate for the Shirley-Nygren ticket in the Navajo Nation General Election. The prior eight years, from 2010 to 2018, the President was a national operations trainer and project manager at a multi-billion dollar construction company that built schools, senior living homes, and public safety facilities from Nevada to Florida.

A graduate of Red Mesa High School, the President obtained his Bachelor of Science in Construction Management from Arizona State University in 2012. He then pursued a Masters of Business Administration from Arizona State University and completed his Doctorate of Education in Organizational Change and Leadership from the University of Southern California in 2021.

In April, the President was recognized as one of the Top 40 Native American Leaders Under 40 by the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development (NCAIED). **Dr. Nygren is married to former Arizona State Representative Jasmine Blackwater-Nygren, and together have a young daughter.** Both proudly reside in Red Mesa, Arizona, about 35 miles from the Four Corners National Monument and 80 miles from Monument Valley, Utah.