



# MONEY MONDAY



Sunset in Cordova (Photo from Chugachmiut Heritage Preservation department)

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# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

## Tribal Climate Resilience Annual Awards Program

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Deadline: Oct. 13, 2023

Award: Up to \$250,000 for planning, up to \$4 million for implementation  
TCR will make available approximately \$120 million in funding for Tribes and tribal organizations to address the unique impacts of climate change affecting vulnerable tribal communities. The Branch supports Tribes as they prepare for climate change impacts on Tribal Treaty and Trust resources, economies, regenerative agriculture and food sovereignty, conservation practices, infrastructure, and human health and safety. The Branch's Annual Awards Program will provide funding for projects that support Tribal climate resilience as Tribes incorporate science, Indigenous Knowledge, Indigenous languages, and technical information. There are two categories. Category 1: Planning (maximum: \$250,000) and Category 2: Implementation (maximum: \$4,000,000).

## Grant forecast: Social and Economic Development Strategies for Alaska

Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families

Deadline: April 22, 2024 (estimated application post date: Feb. 1)

Award: \$100,000-\$400,000

Eligibility: Native American tribal governments (both federally recognized and other than federally recognized), non-profits, other

The Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans announces the availability of Fiscal Year 2024 funds for the Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS)

program. This program is focused on community-driven projects designed to grow local economies, strengthen Native American families, including the preservation of Native American cultures, and decrease the high rate of current challenges caused by the lack of community-based businesses, and social and economic infrastructure in Native American communities. Native American communities include American Indian tribes (federally-recognized and non-federally recognized), Native Hawaiians, Alaska Natives, and Native American Pacific Islanders. (Note: this is a forecast).

## COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE

### **Funding for Firewood Banks**

#### **Alliance for Green Heat**

Due: Applications will be processed on a rolling basis until the end of summer in 2023 or until they run out. Eligible firewood banks can apply by filling out the online application at this site: [firewoodbanks.org/copy-of-overview](https://firewoodbanks.org/copy-of-overview). Almost any items needed to run your firewood bank is an eligible expense except for food & drink, entertainment, lobbying, and items over \$5,000. Eligible expenses include chain saws, splitters, tarps, moisture meters, conveyor belts, trailers, wheelbarrows, safety equipment, first aid kits, equipment repair, building materials for firewood sheds or tool sheds, educational materials/activities, sales tax, signage, travel, gas money, and miscellaneous supplies like small tools that cost less than \$20. Firewood banks are invited to add other additional items not listed here that they use or think may be helpful.

### **Community Development Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages**

#### **Department of Housing and Urban Development**

#### **Deadline: Sept. 5, 2023**

Award: \$500,000-\$5,000,000; no match

Eligible: Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized); Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)

The primary objective of the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) program is the development of viable Indian and Alaska Native communities, including the creation of decent housing, suitable living environments, and economic opportunities primarily for persons of low-and moderate-incomes. Single Purpose Grants. Projects funded by the ICDBG program must principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons. These are competitive grants and are the subject of this NOFO. b. Imminent Threat Grants. Projects funded with Imminent Threat grant funds are to address issues that have an immediate negative impact on public health or safety of tribal residents. You do not have to apply for an Imminent Threat grant by the deadline established in this NOFO. These funds are awarded on a first-come first-serve basis until the amount set aside for this purpose is expended.

### **Powering Affordable Clean Energy**

#### **Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service**

#### **Deadline: Sept. 29, 2023**

Award: \$1M-\$100M, with match

Eligibility: Indian Tribes defined by the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act; Alaska Native Corporations, including regional or village corporations; nonprofits

Under Powering Affordable Clean Energy (PACE), USDA Rural Development's Rural Utilities Service (RUS) will forgive up to 60 percent of loans for renewable energy projects that use wind, solar, hydropower, geothermal, or biomass, as well as for renewable energy storage projects.

The PACE program allocates funding across three applicant categories, where applicants can receive up to 20%, 40%, or 60% loan forgiveness.

**Bipartisan Infrastructure Law: Energy Improvement in Rural or Remote Areas (ERA) Fixed Award Grant Program**

**Department of Energy**

**Deadline: October 12, 2023**

Award: \$500,000-\$5,000,000; no match

Eligible: Native American tribal organizations (Federally recognized and other than Federally recognized); Nonprofits

This FOA is designed to support small community-driven clean energy projects requiring \$500,000 to \$5 million in Federal funding. DOE's Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations will provide financial investment, technical assistance, and other resources to advance clean energy demonstrations and energy solutions that benefit rural and remote communities. NOTE: Applicants must have submitted a pre-application by July 13 to be eligible to submit a full application.

Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program

Department of Commerce

Deadline: Jan. 23, 2024

Award: \$1M-\$50M

Eligibility: Tribal organizations, Alaska Native Corporations.

The TBCP provides new federal funding for grants to eligible entities to expand access to and adoption of: (i) broadband service on Tribal Land ;or (ii) programs that promote the use of broadband to access remote learning, telework, or telehealth resources. See link to announcement here.

**Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant awards**

**U.S. Department of Agriculture**

**Deadline: Rolling**

Eligible: Public bodies, community-based nonprofit corporations, federally recognized tribes

Match: Grant assistance is limited to a maximum of 75% of eligible project costs. This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. Funds can be used to purchase, construct, and/or improve essential community facilities, to purchase equipment, and to pay related project expenses. Rural areas including including Federally recognized Tribal lands with no more than 20,000 residents according to the latest U.S. Census Data are eligible for this program. Funds are available as low-interest direct loans, grants, or a combination of the two.

**Indian Housing Block Grant**

**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**

**Deadline: Rolling**

The Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) program is the primary means by which the Federal Government fulfills its trust responsibilities to provide adequate housing to Native Americans and is the single largest source of Indian housing assistance. It is a formula grant that is distributed annually and funds affordable housing activities including new housing construction, rehabilitation, and housing services, and more.

**NATURAL RESOURCES**

**National Fish Passage Program**

**Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service**

**Deadline: Dec. 31, 2023**

Award: \$100,000-\$2,000,000; no match

Eligible: Native American tribal organizations (federally recognized and other than federally recognized)

The NFPP is a voluntary program that provides direct technical and financial assistance to partners to remove instream barriers and restore aquatic organism passage and aquatic connectivity for the benefit of Federal trust resources. In doing so, NFPP aims to maintain or increase fish populations to improve

ecosystem resiliency and provide quality fishing experiences for the American people. Activities that restore fish passage also support the modernization of the country's infrastructure such as road culverts, bridges, and water diversions contributing to enhanced community resilience to the impacts from climate change and other public safety hazards. NFPP funds a variety of project types including, but not limited to, dam removals, culvert replacements, floodplain restoration, and the installation of fishways. Note: For eligible applicants to receive funding, NFPP BIL projects must be developed and implemented in coordination with FAC staff. [Link to announcement here.](#)

## LANGUAGE, CULTURE, & PRESERVATION

### Public Engagement with Historical Records

#### National Archives and Records Administration

**Deadline: Nov. 2, 2023 (draft deadline Aug. 15, 2023)**

Award: \$50,000-\$150,000; 25% match

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks projects that encourage public engagement with historical records. The idea behind this program is to form collaborations among archivists, educators, historians (including documentary editors) and people working in community-based archives to involve the public in discovering and using historical records. The NHPRC is looking for collaborative projects that create models, tools, and technologies that other institutions can freely adopt to serve other communities. Projects that center the voices and document the history of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color are especially welcome. In addition, with the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence approaching, the Commission is interested in projects that promote discovery and access to collections that explore the ideals behind our nation's founding and the continuous debate over those ideals to the present day.

### Grant forecast: Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections

#### National Endowment for the Humanities

**Deadline: Jan. 11, 2024 (estimated)**

Award: Up to \$350,000; no match

Eligibility: Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), nonprofits

The Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections program helps cultural institutions meet the complex challenge of preserving large and diverse holdings of humanities materials for future generations by supporting environmentally sustainable preventive care measures that mitigate deterioration, prolong the useful life of collections, reduce energy consumption, and strengthen institutional resilience to disasters resulting from current and future effects of climate change or human activity. Note: this is a forecast opportunity. Estimated NOFO post date is Sept. 1, 2023.

### Grant forecast: Inspire! Grants for Small Museums

#### Institute of Museum and Library Services

**Estimated Application deadline: Nov. 15, 2023**

Award: \$5,000-\$75,000

Eligibility: Museums that are units of state, local, or tribal government or are nonprofit with tax-exempt status; that are organized on a permanent basis for essentially educational, cultural heritage, or aesthetic purposes; and that can make a compelling case for their classification as "small."

Inspire! Grants for Small Museums is a program designed to support small museums of all disciplines in project-based efforts to serve the public through exhibitions, educational/interpretive programs, digital

learning resources, policy development and institutional planning, technology enhancements, professional development, community outreach, audience development, and/or collections management, curation, care, and conservation. Note: This is a grant forecast. The estimated post date is Aug. 15, 2023.

**Grant Forecast: Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions**

**National Endowment for the Humanities**

**Deadline: Jan. 11, 2024 (estimated)**

Award: Up to \$10,000

Eligibility: Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized); nonprofits The Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions program helps small and mid-sized institutions improve their ability to preserve and care for their significant humanities collections. Note: this is a forecast opportunity. Estimated post date is Sept. 1, 2023.

**Grant forecast: Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance**

**Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families – ANA**

**Deadline: April 22, 2024**

Award: \$100,000-\$300,000

Native American tribal organizations (federally recognized or other than federally recognized), nonprofits and others

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration for Native Americans (ANA) announces that it will be soliciting applications for the Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance program. This program provides funding for projects to support assessments of the status of the native languages in an established community, as well as the planning, designing, restoration, and implementing of native language curriculum and education projects to support a community's language preservation goals. (Note: this is a forecast. The application is estimated to drop Jan. 22.

**Forecast: Cultural and Community Resilience**

**National Endowment for the Humanities**

**Deadline: May 1, 2024 (estimated)**

The Cultural and Community Resilience program supports community-based efforts to mitigate climate change and COVID-19 pandemic impacts, safeguard cultural resources, and foster cultural resilience through identifying, documenting, and/or collecting cultural heritage and community experience. The program prioritizes projects from disadvantaged communities in the United States or its jurisdictions, and NEH encourages applications that employ inclusive methodologies. (Note: this is a forecast. The estimated post date is February 21, 2024)

**OTHER**

**Grant forecast: Tribal Self-Governance Planning Cooperative Agreement Program**

**Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service**

**Deadline: May 1, 2024 (estimated)**

Award: \$180,000

Eligible: Native American tribal organizations (Federally recognized and other than federally)

The purpose of this Planning Cooperative Agreement is to provide resources to Tribes interested in entering the TSGP and to existing Self-Governance Tribes interested in assuming new or expanded PSFAs. Title V of the ISDEAA requires a Tribe or Tribal organization (T/TO) to complete a planning phase to the satisfaction of the Tribe. The planning phase must include legal and budgetary research and internal Tribal government planning and organizational preparation relating to the administration of health care programs. See 25 U.S.C. 5383(d). The planning phase is critical to negotiations and helps Tribes make informed decisions about which PSFAs to assume and what organizational changes or modifications are necessary to successfully support those PSFAs. A thorough planning phase improves timeliness and efficient negotiations and ensures that the Tribe is fully prepared to assume the transfer of IHS PSFAs to the Tribal health program. [Link to announcement here.](#)