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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. 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.

#### 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

#### Transformational Habitat Restoration and Coastal Resilience Grants Under the IIJA

Department of Commerce Deadline: Nov. 17, 2023 Award: \$1M-\$25M; no match

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

profits and others

Projects selected through this funding opportunity will have a transformative impact for coastal communities and tribes across the country. They will help sustain important fisheries, make significant strides in the recovery of threatened and endangered species, and help protect coastal communities and ecosystems from the impacts of climate change. They will support efforts such as reconnecting rivers to their historic floodplains, outplanting corals to rebuild reefs, building living shorelines that protect coasts from erosion and sea level rise, and more.

NOAA will accept proposals with a federal funding request of between \$1 million and \$25 million total over the award period. Applications are due by November 17, 2023.

### Braiding Together Reforestation, Indigenous Partnerships, and Indian Youth Service Corps (IYSC): A Path Towards Resilient Forests and Communities

Department of Agriculture / Forest Service

Due: Nov. 17, 2023

Award: Not specified; no match required

Eligible: Eligible applicants include Federally recognized Indian Tribes or Alaska Native Tribes or Alaska Native Corporations and Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders.

USDA Forest Service is looking to address reforestation needs and empower the agency's implementation of the Indian Youth Service Corps (IYSC) program. This initiative aims to foster co-stewardship between USDA Forest Service, Indigenous communities, and IYSC program, with a shared commitment to environmental conservation and reforestation on Forest Service lands. New partnerships will help to address reforestation needs through projects that support reforestation or stand-up improvement activities on lands managed by USDA Forest Service. The agency seeks to actively involve IYSC program in reforestation efforts. The IYSC aims to create career and educational opportunities for Indigenous youth while fostering their cultural connections to nature through conservation projects on Tribal and public land. NOTE: This RFI is intended to solicit responses for potential partnerships and project/programs meeting the unique needs and interests of indigenous communities and mutually beneficial project with the Forest Service. While this RFI is not a direct funding opportunity nor does it guarantee funding, your submission signals an opportunity for Forest Service to explore with you your ideas/projects/programs and federal funding opportunities.

#### 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.

#### **Wetland Program Development Grants**

**Environmental Protection Agency** 

Due: Nov. 22, 2023

Award: Up to \$2,722,000; EPA will fund a maximum of 75 percent of the total project cost Eligible: States, territories (Insular Areas), federally-recognized tribes, local government agencies, colleges and universities that are agencies of a state, interstate agencies, and intertribal consortia

The goals of EPA's wetland program include increasing the quantity and quality of wetlands in the U.S. by conserving and restoring wetland acreage and improving wetland condition. In pursuing these goals, EPA seeks to develop the capacity of all levels of government to develop and/or refine effective, comprehensive programs for wetland protection and management. In addition to developing and/or refining wetland protection and management programs, EPA seeks to build wetlands programs to incorporate climate change and environmental justice considerations as described in Section I.C.2.a: Climate Change and Section 1.C.2.b: Justice40 (J40).

## <u>Coastal Habitat Restoration and Resilience Grants for Tribes and Underserved Communities</u> Department of Commerce

Due: Dec. 19, 2023

Award: \$75,000-\$3,000,000

Eligible: States, nonprofits, Native American tribal governments (both federally recognized and not), small businesses, others

The principal objective of this funding opportunity is to support opportunities for tribes, and/or tribal entities, and underserved communities to meaningfully engage in coastal habitat restoration activities. Potential activities include: 1) Capacity building, which may include (but is not limited to) participation in municipal or regional-scale resilience planning, project planning and feasibility studies, stakeholder engagement, proposal development for future funding, and outreach and education, as well as hiring of staff to increase capacity to support the planning, design and implementation of restoration actions, as well as capacity to support overall award management including tracking, reporting, and project coordination/development; 2) actionable science support, such as the collection and/or analysis of climate, habitat or other community- or conservation-related data that informs planning and decision making and/or future restoration actions of tribes, tribal entities, and/or underserved communities; and/or 3) restoration project activities, including for demonstration projects, which may include engineering and design, permitting, on-the-ground restoration, and pre- and post-project implementation monitoring. Competitive applications will directly benefit tribes or underserved communities. Applicants may apply for funding to support one or more of these activities.

## LANGUAGE, CULTURE, & PRESERVATION

## Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Culture and Arts Development Grant Program Department of the Interior, National Park Service

Deadline: Oct. 27, 2023

Award: \$150,000-\$750,000; no match

Eligibility: Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments),

non-profits, other

Grants will enhance culture and art programs, including traditional and contemporary expressions of language, history, visual and performing arts, and crafts. Programs may 1. provide scholarly study of, and instruction in, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian traditional and contemporary arts and culture, 2. establish centers and educational programs that lead to degrees in Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian art and culture programs, and/or 3. establish programs that develop traditional and contemporary arts in the community through coordinate efforts to preserve, support, revitalize, and develop evolving forms of Indian art and culture.

Examples include: Departments of Arts and Sciences, fellowship programs, seminars, scholar in residence, inter-institutional programs of cooperation at national and international levels, visual arts, performance arts, language, literature, museology, and learning resource centers.

#### **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.

#### Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services

Institute of Museum and Library Services

Deadline: Nov. 15, 2023

Award: \$5,000-\$250,000; no match

Eligible: A federally recognized Indian tribe or a nonprofit organization that primarily serves and represents Native Hawaiians.

The Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services (NANH) grant program is designed to support Indian tribes and organizations that primarily serve and represent Native Hawaiians in sustaining indigenous heritage, culture, and knowledge. The program supports projects such as exhibitions, educational services and programming, workforce professional development, organizational capacity building, and collections stewardship.

#### **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.

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

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)

### **HEALTH**

Forecast: Tribal Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program

DHHS: Administration for Children and Families

Deadline: April 8, 2024 (estimated)

Eligible: Native American tribal organizations (federally recognized and other than federally recognized); non-profits and others

Funds will support 5-year cooperative agreements between ACF and federally recognized Indian tribes (or a consortium of Indian tribes), tribal organizations, or urban Indian organizations interested in developing, implementing, sustaining, or expanding an evidence-based home visiting program serving expectant families and families with young children aged birth to kindergarten. Awards will support implementation of high-quality, culturally grounded, evidence-based home visiting services to American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) families and children; implementation of performance measurement and continuous quality improvement systems; development of early childhood systems; and participation in research and evaluation activities to build evidence around home visiting, particularly in tribal communities. Home visiting programs are intended to promote outcomes such as improved maternal and prenatal health, infant health, and child health and development; reduced child maltreatment; improved parenting practices related to child development outcomes; improved school readiness; improved family socio-economic status; improved coordination of referrals to community resources and supports; and reduced incidence of injuries, crime, and domestic violence. (Note: this is a forecast. The estimated post date is February 8, 2024)

#### AmeriCorps State and National Native Nation Planning Grants

AmeriCorps

Deadline: April 6, 2024

Award: Up to \$240,000; match is required but there are waivers available in some cases

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

tribal governments); others

AmeriCorps planning grants provide support to a grant recipient to develop an AmeriCorps program that will engage AmeriCorps members in implementing evidence-based interventions to solve community problems. Grant recipients are awarded up to \$240,000 for a 12-month planning period and are encouraged to compete for an AmeriCorps program grant in the following grant cycle if they deem the fit with AmeriCorps to be of use to their community. A planning grant may not be used to support AmeriCorps members. Applicants will apply for a Cost Reimbursement grant. The project period is no more than a year, with a start date proposed by the applicant. The project start date may not occur prior to the date AmeriCorps awards the grant.

#### AmeriCorps State and National Competitive Grants

**AmeriCorps** 

Deadline: Jan. 4, 2024

Award: Not specified; match is required

AmeriCorps grants are awarded to eligible organizations (Use Section C.1. Eligible Applicants) proposing to engage AmeriCorps members in evidence-based or evidence-informed interventions/practices to strengthen communities. An AmeriCorps member is an individual who engages in community service through an approved national service position. Members may receive a living allowance and other benefits while serving.

#### AmeriCorps State and National Native Nation Grants

AmeriCorps

Deadline: April 5, 2024

Award: Not specified; match is required

Eligible: Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized and other than federally recognized tribal governments); others

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## <u>Grant forecast: Tribal Self-Governance Planning Cooperative Agreement Program Department of Health</u> 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. (Note: this is a forecast. The estimated post date is February 1, 2024)