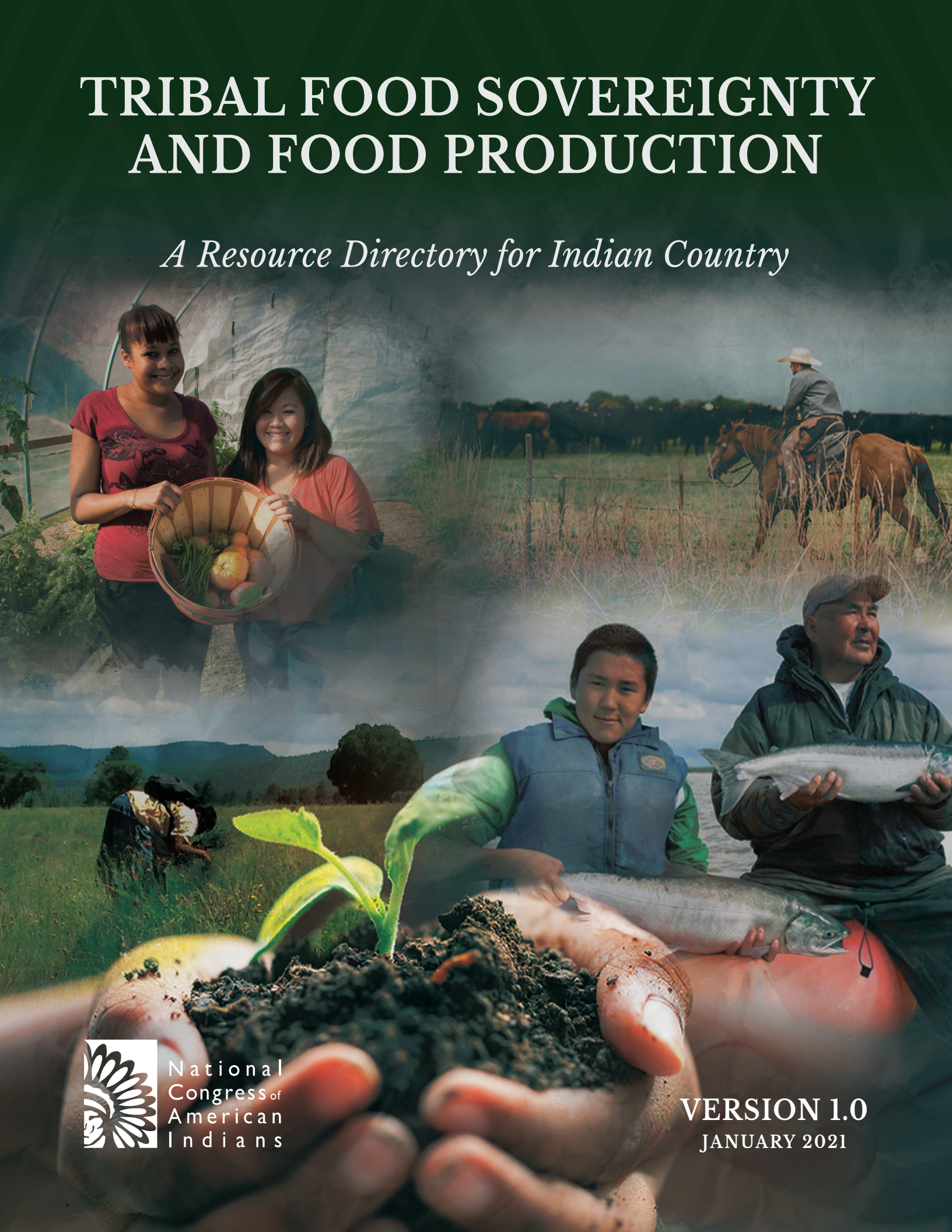


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## **About NCAI's Tribal Food Sovereignty Advancement Initiative**

NCAI's Tribal Food Sovereignty Advancement Initiative (TFSAI) works to inform and support the development and strengthening of tribal nations' efforts to rebuild, protect, and sustain the Indigenous food systems that have long nourished their citizens, communities, and cultures.

Among other activities, TFSAI empowers tribal food sovereignty, food production, and food security by: creating a forum for tribal leaders to share best practices for advancing food sovereignty; assisting tribal governments with developing food sovereignty and related policies; advocating for federal policies and funding needed to improve the quality and accessibility of food assistance and cultivation programs; protecting and sustaining tribal lands, waters, and natural resources integral to tribal food systems; and providing information and materials to help build the knowledge base and skills of existing and aspiring individual Native farmers, ranchers, and other food producers. To learn more about TFSAI, please click [here](#).

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# Guide to the Directory

This directory provides a comprehensive collation of relevant funding resources and other sources of support available to individual Native food producers and tribal nations and organizations as they work to establish, grow, and sustain their food production, sovereignty, and security efforts. Containing more than 125 entries, the directory features:

- **a robust assortment of grant, loan, technical assistance, and scholarship programs** offered by both federal agencies and non-governmental sources;
- a distinct program grouping for **(1) individual Native food producers and tribal nations/organizations, 2) tribal nations/organizations, and (3) tribal nations/organizations with partners;**
- a **current and detailed information file for each entry;**
- **visual icons** enabling directory users to easily identify the topical focus and type of each entry;
- an **Other Resources** section to assist tribal nations and practitioners to find guidebooks, toolkits, trainings, and education curriculum on tribal food sovereignty and agriculture; and
- **alphabetical and categorical indexes** to help directory users quickly find programs organized by (1) name, or (2) the types of expenditures and activities they support.

## Keeping It Current

NCAI will update the information contained in each entry on a monthly basis to ensure that it is up to date. To access the current directory, please go to [www.ncai.org/fooddirectory.pdf](http://www.ncai.org/fooddirectory.pdf) or scan the QR Code below.



# Featured Indian Country Technical Assistance Providers

Featured below are four NCAI organizational partners that provide technical assistance (TA) for many of the programs contained in this directory. If one or more of these organizations provides TA for a particular program, their organizational logo(s) will be featured in the “TA Provider” column next to the info file for that program’s entry.



## First Nations Development Institute

Founded in 1980, the First Nations Development Institute (FNDI) began its national grantmaking program to strengthen American Indian economies to support healthy Native communities. Through mid-year 2020, FNDI has successfully managed 1,928 grants totaling more than \$40.2 million to Native American projects and organizations in 40 states, the District of Columbia and U.S. Territory American Samoa. See the Institute’s grant calendar [here](#). For more information about FNDI, please visit [www.firstnations.org](http://www.firstnations.org) or email [info@firstnations.org](mailto:info@firstnations.org).



## Indian Land Tenure Foundation

The Indian Land Tenure Foundation (ILTF) is a national, community-based nonprofit organization established in 2002. ILTF’s mission is to return all lands within the original boundaries of every reservation and other areas of high significance where tribes retain aboriginal interest to Indian ownership, management, and control. ILTF serves its mission through strategies of education, economic opportunity, cultural awareness, and legal reform. ILTF is the only organization devoted to Indian land recovery and effective land management on a national scale. For more information about ILTF, please visit [www.iltf.org](http://www.iltf.org) or email [info@iltf.org](mailto:info@iltf.org).



## Indigenous Food and Agriculture Initiative

The Indigenous Food and Agriculture Initiative (IFAI) focuses on putting tribal sovereignty in food sovereignty, promoting tribally driven solutions to revitalize and advance traditional food systems and diversified economic development throughout Indian Country. IFAI provides Tribal governments, producers, and food businesses with educational resources, policy research, and strategic legal analysis as a foundation for building robust food economies. For more information about IFAI, please visit [www.indigenousfoodandag.com](http://www.indigenousfoodandag.com) or email [ifai@uark.edu](mailto:ifai@uark.edu).



## Intertribal Agriculture Council

The Intertribal Agriculture Council (IAC) was founded in 1987 to pursue and promote the conservation, development and use of Native agricultural resources for the betterment of Native people. Over the past thirty years, IAC has become recognized as the most respected voice within the Indian community and government circles on agricultural policies and programs to assist Indian Country’s individual food producers. For more information about the IAC, please visit [www.indianag.org](http://www.indianag.org) or email [info@indianag.org](mailto:info@indianag.org).

# Program Icons Explained

In the margins of this book, you will find icons to help you spot important information that may be of interest to you depending on what your particular needs are. Here are the icons this directory uses, and what they mean.



## **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

Supports farmers, ranchers, and farm cooperatives to expand their agriculture and fishing operations; assists in business planning and start-up



## **EDUCATION AND RESEARCH**

Supports farmers, ranchers, researchers, and educators to conduct research or receive training to improve farm operations; supports higher education institutions in providing technical assistance resources



## **ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENERGY CONSERVATION**

Supports promotion of energy efficiency to improve farm productivity and minimize energy usage and costs



## **FISHERIES MANAGEMENT**

Supports harvesting of fish for subsistence and sale; preservation and strengthening of fish species and their ecosystems



## **LAND MANAGEMENT**

Supports the process of managing the use and development of land resources



## **PROJECT PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION**

Supports planning, build-up, implementation, and completion of agriculture-related projects



## **CROP PROTECTION**

Supports protection of crops from weeds, plant diseases, and harmful insects and fungi; provides crop and livestock insurance



## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Provides assistance to farmers and ranchers to respond to natural disasters and other catastrophes that impact their business operations



## **FACILITY DEVELOPMENT AND EQUIPMENT**

Supports development of structures used in farming operations, including for worker and family housing, livestock, machinery, and crops; supports equipment purchases



## **FORESTRY MANAGEMENT**

Supports development of planning and implementation practices for stewardship and use of forests to meet specific tribal environmental, economic, cultural, and subsistence goals



## **LOCAL AND REGIONAL MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

Supports development and expansion of farm- and food-based value-added businesses, local and regional markets, and profitable value chains that support local food producers



## **WATER MANAGEMENT**

Supports planning, development, distribution and management of farm-level, tribal-level, and regional water resources; irrigation; and drainage of agriculture wastewater

# Federal Agency Acronyms



## United States Department of Commerce (DOC)

The Department of Commerce promotes job creation and economic growth by ensuring fair and reciprocal trade, providing the data necessary to support commerce and constitutional democracy, and fostering innovation by setting standards and conducting foundational research and development.

### *Relevant sub-agency:*

## National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

NOAA is an agency that enriches life through science. Our reach goes from the surface of the sun to the depths of the ocean floor as we work to keep the public informed of the changing environment around them.



## United States Department of the Interior (DOI)

The Department of the Interior (DOI) conserves and manages the nation's natural resources and cultural heritage for the benefit and enjoyment of the American people, provides scientific and other information about natural resources and natural hazards to address societal challenges and create opportunities for the American people, and honors the nation's trust responsibilities or special commitments to American Indians, Alaska Natives, and affiliated island communities to help them prosper.

### *Relevant sub-agencies:*

## Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

The BIA is responsible for the administration and management of 55 million surface acres and 57 million acres of subsurface minerals estates held in trust by the United States for American Indian, Indian tribes, and Alaska Natives. Their mission is to "enhance the quality of life, to promote economic opportunity, and to carry out the responsibility to protect and improve the trust assets of American Indians, Indian tribes, and Alaska Natives."

## Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)

The USFWS enforces federal wildlife laws, administers the Endangered Species Act, manages migratory bird populations, restores nationally significant fisheries, conserves and restores wildlife habitats, and assists foreign governments with conservation.

## Bureau of Reclamation (USBR)

The mission of the Bureau of Reclamation is to manage, develop, and protect water and related resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner in the interest of the American public.



## **Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**

The mission of EPA is to protect human health and the environment.

*Relevant sub-agency:*

### **American Indian Environmental Office (AIEO)**

AIEO leads EPA's efforts to protect human health and the environment in Indian Country by supporting implementation of federal environmental law consistent with the federal trust responsibility and the government-to-government relationship.



## **United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)**

The mission of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is to enhance the health and well-being of all Americans, by providing for effective health and human services and by fostering sound, sustained advances in the sciences underlying medicine, public health, and social services.

*Relevant sub-agency:*

### **Administration for Children and Families (ACF)**

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is a division of the Department of Health & Human Services that promotes the economic and social wellbeing of children, families, individuals and communities with leadership and resources for compassionate, effective delivery of human services.



## **Small Business Administration (SBA)**

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) continues to help small business owners and entrepreneurs pursue the American dream. The SBA is the only cabinet-level federal agency fully dedicated to small business and provides counseling, capital, and contracting expertise as the nation's only go-to resource and voice for small businesses.



## **United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)**

Provides leadership on food, agriculture, natural resources, rural development, nutrition, and related issues based on public policy, the best available science, and effective management.

*Relevant sub-agencies:*

### **Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS)**

AMS facilitates the strategic marketing of agricultural products in domestic and international markets while ensuring fair trading practices and promoting a competitive and efficient marketplace. AMS constantly works to develop new marketing services to increase customer satisfaction.



## **Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)**

APHIS provides leadership in ensuring the health and care of animals and plants. The agency improves agricultural productivity and competitiveness and contributes to the national economy and the public health.

## **Farm Service Agency (FSA)**

The Farm Service Agency implements agricultural policy, administers credit and loan programs, and manages conservation, commodity, disaster and farm marketing programs through a national network of offices.

## **Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**

FNS increases food security and reduces hunger in partnership with cooperating organizations by providing children and low-income people access to food, a healthy diet, and nutrition education in a manner that supports American agriculture and inspires public confidence.

## **Forest Service (USFS)**

The USFS sustains the health, diversity and productivity of the nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations.

## **National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)**

NIFA's mission is to invest in and advance agricultural research, education, and extension to solve societal challenges. NIFA's investments in transformative science directly support the long-term prosperity and global preeminence of U.S. agriculture.

## **Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)**

NRCS provides leadership in a partnership effort to help people conserve, maintain, and improve our natural resources and environment.

## **Risk Management Agency (RMA)**

RMA helps to ensure that farmers have the financial tools necessary to manage their agricultural risks. RMA provides coverage through the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, which promotes national welfare by improving the economic stability of agriculture.

## **Rural Development (RD)**

RD helps rural areas to develop and grow by offering federal assistance that improves quality of life. RD targets communities in need and then empowers them with financial and technical resources.

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Provides financial assistance to eligible producers of livestock, honeybees and farm-raised fish for losses due to disease, certain adverse weather events or loss conditions, including blizzards and wildfires, as determined by the Secretary.



TA PROVIDERS



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must meet the program's loss requirement (livestock, honeybees, and/or farm-raised fish). Individual producers must meet the financial threshold criteria as explained in the [ELAP Fact Sheet](#)

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Application period ends January 30 after the calendar year in which the loss occurred.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$20 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Not applicable, the program funding is dependent on the loss amount; funding doesn't have a ceiling award amount.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Producers must submit a notice of loss to their local or state USDA-FSA Service Center to qualify for program funding.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your local or state USDA-FSA Service Center [here](#).

**NOTES:** An eligible livestock, honeybee or farm-raised fish producer who certifies they are socially disadvantaged, limited resource, beginning, or a veteran farmer or rancher will receive 90 percent of the payment rate for the losses under ELAP.



## Emergency Forest Restoration Program

Provides payments to eligible owners of nonindustrial private forest (NIPF) land in order to carry out emergency measures to restore land damaged by a natural disaster.



TA PROVIDERS



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** For land to qualify for EFRP funds, the damage from the natural disaster must create new conservation problems that if not dealt with would harm the natural resources on the land or significantly affect future land use.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Applicants have 30 to 60 days to apply for funding after a disaster occurs.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$50 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$100,000 for local FSA committee funds; Up to \$250,000 for national FSA committee funds.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE CAP:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Contact your local USDA-FSA Service Center [here](#).

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your local USDA-FSA Service Center [here](#).

**NOTES:** See the program's Fact Sheet [here](#).



## Livestock Forage Program

Provides payments to eligible livestock owners and contract growers who have covered livestock and who are also producers of grazed forage crop acreage (native and improved pasture land with permanent vegetative cover or certain crops planted specifically for grazing) that have suffered a loss of grazed forage due to a qualifying drought during the normal grazing period for the county.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** The qualifying drought and qualifying grazing losses, and/or notification of prohibition to graze federal land due to fire, must have occurred in the grazing period and crop year.



**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Varies based on grazing periods, drought intensity, and forage types

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

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**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Identified by need of each Fiscal Year

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Varies by loss of grazed forage and livestock type; applicants may get up to \$125,000

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Notice of Loss and Application Payment Form as required by your Local [USDA-FSA Service Center](#).

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your local USDA-FSA Service Center [here](#).

**NOTES:** See the program's 2020 fact sheet [here](#). There are Weekly LFP Program Eligibility Maps. These maps depict the weekly LFP program eligibility by county for the U.S. and Puerto Rico, based on grazing periods, drought intensity, and forage types.



## Livestock Indemnity Program

Provide benefits to eligible livestock owners or contract growers for livestock deaths in excess of normal mortality caused by eligible loss conditions, including eligible adverse weather, eligible disease, and attacks by animals reintroduced into the wild by the federal government or protected by federal law.



**FUNDING PRIORITY/CRITERIA:** A livestock owner must have legally owned the livestock on the day the livestock died and/or were injured by an eligible loss condition. Eligible livestock must have been maintained for commercial use as part of a farming operation on the day they died, and not have been produced or maintained for reasons other than commercial use as part of a farming operation.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** A producer must file a notice of loss within 30 days of when the loss of livestock is first apparent and file a payment application within 60 days after the end of the calendar year.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Identified by need of each Fiscal Year

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** LIP national payment rate for eligible livestock owners is based on 75 percent of the average fair market value of the livestock; eligible livestock

contract growers is based on 75 percent of the average income loss sustained by the contract grower with respect to the dead livestock.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Notice of Loss and Application Payment Form as required by your Local [USDA-FSA Service Center](#).

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your local USDA-FSA Service Center [here](#).

**NOTES:** Disease is not an eligible loss condition for injured livestock under this program.

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## Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program

*Provides financial assistance to producers of non-insurable crops when low yields, loss of inventory, or prevented planting occur due to natural disasters.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** An eligible producer is a landowner, tenant, or sharecropper who shares in the risk of producing an eligible crop and is entitled to an ownership share of that crop. An individual's or entity's average adjusted gross income (AGI) cannot exceed \$900,000 to be eligible for NAP payments.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Application closing dates vary by crop and are established by your Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Committee, please contact your local USDA-FSA Service Center for specific dates.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Program is funded by the Commodity Credit Corporation so it is not subject to annual funding limitations.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Dependent on eligible crop, ownership status, and expected loss.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Participants must annually file an Application for Coverage, acreage report, and, if a loss occurs, a notice of loss as well as application for payment.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your local USDA-FSA Service Center [here](#).

**NOTES:** See the program's 2020 fact sheet [here](#).



## Sustainable Food and Agriculture Education: Farmer, Rancher, and Producers Grant

*For food producers to explore innovative sustainable agriculture solutions to production, marketing, labor, and other problems.*

**FUNDING PRIORITY/CRITERIA:** Funding will be given to individual or groups of farm producers operating their own facilities; projects must engage in sustainable agriculture projects.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Varies by region; check your region's deadlines for grants [here](#).

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$750,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Varies by applicant or applicant group; a producer group can receive up to \$27,000.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Project Proposal, Letter of Support, Confirmation of Commitment from

Teams/Groups, and Project Budget.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, a group of Native producers from the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin received a \$27,000 grant to address the program of implementing effective integrated "pest" management (IPM) through traditional Indigenous intercropping systems.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your State SARE Coordinator [here](#).

**NOTES:** SARE is a subagency under the National Institute for Food and Agriculture.



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## Sustainable Food and Agriculture Education Program: On-Farm Research Grant

To conduct new and innovative sustainable agriculture production practices.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Eligible applicants must be located in SARE's [South Region](#). The proposed project should focus on sustainable agriculture practices and techniques to address a particular on-farm issue; applicants must identify at least one farmer/rancher cooperator in the proposed project, and the work must be conducted on farm (either on the cooperator's farm, or on a research farm with the cooperator's involvement).

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2021; Will Reopen in Summer 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Not applicable

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$20,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Application Form, Project Proposal, Outreach Plan, Budget Narrative, Signature Sheet, and Applicant Demographic Data Form.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Jami Sealey, [jsealey@uga.edu](mailto:jsealey@uga.edu), (770) 467-6083



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## Sustainable Food and Agriculture Education Program: Partnership Grant

To foster cooperation between agriculture professionals and small groups of farmers and ranchers to catalyze on-farm research, demonstration, and education activities related to sustainable agriculture.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must be located in SARE's [North Central](#) or [Northeast](#) regions. Applicants must meet SARE's definition of an agriculture professional. Three or more farmers or ranchers are expected to be substantially involved in the project.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2021; Will Reopen in Summer 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Approximately \$1 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$30,000 for Northeast Region applicants; Up to \$40,000 for North Central Region applicants

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Project Proposal, Project Budget and Budget Narrative, Agriculture Professional's Resume, and Farmer/Rancher Verification Letters.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2011, the Pomo Tribal Support Agriculture Program received a \$39,963 grant to coordinate 24 traditional farming workshops with nine different bands of Pomo Indians and at the Mendocino Jail.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#) for the Northeast Region's website; Click [here](#) for the North Central's Region website.

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Beth Nelson, Director of Research and Education, [bethnelson@umn.edu](mailto:bethnelson@umn.edu) (North Central Region)

**NOTES:** Click [here](#) to read past funded projects.



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## Sustainable Food and Agriculture Education Program: Professional Development Grant

*Funds projects that develop the knowledge, awareness, skills, and attitudes of agricultural and non-agricultural service providers about sustainable agriculture practices to teach, advise, or assist farmers.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must apply through their regional SARE office. Projects must improve the ability of agricultural professionals to conduct educational programs, activities, systems, and to respond to inquiries on the subject from farmers, ranchers, and the public.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Varies by region; check your region's deadlines for grants [here](#).

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Approximately \$4 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$90,000 for Northeast, North Central, and Southern Region applicants; Up to \$100,000 for Western Region applicants.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Varies by regional application

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, the University of Wisconsin received a \$90,000 grant to develop training workshops to engage over 60 tribal agriculture educators in the Great Lakes and Upper Midwest Regions.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:**

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Dr. Rob Myers, NRC-SARE Regional Director, [myersrob@missouri.edu](mailto:myersrob@missouri.edu) (North Central Region); Katie Campbell-Nelson, [kcampbel@umass.edu](mailto:kcampbel@umass.edu) (Northeast Region); Jim Freeburn, [freeburn@uwyo.edu](mailto:freeburn@uwyo.edu) (Western Region); and David Redhage, Program Director, [dredhage@kerrcenter.com](mailto:dredhage@kerrcenter.com) (Southern Region)

**NOTES:** Click [here](#) to read past funded projects.



## Sustainable Food and Agriculture Education Program: Research and Education Grant

*Provides funds to collaborative teams of scientists, farmers/ranchers, institutions, organizations, and educators who are exploring sustainable agriculture through research projects or educational demonstration projects.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must be located in SARE's [Northeast](#), [North Central](#), or [Southern](#) Regions. Applicants must submit from an Agriculture Professional or Organization, in partnership with individual farmers or ranchers. Applicants must submit a pre-proposal for approval to complete a full proposal.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Varies by region; Check your region's deadlines for grants [here](#).

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Approximately \$8 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$250,000 for Northeast and North Central Region applicants; Up to \$400,000 for Southern Region applicants.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Preproposal, Project Proposal, Budget Justification, and Applicant Demographic Form.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, the College of Muscogee Nation, Pawnee Nation College, and Oklahoma Farmers and Ranchers Association received a \$298,066 grant to test and validate soil moisture, weed, and pest management practices within the three and four sisters Native American production system using a Lead Farmer on-farm research method.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#) for the Northeast Region's website; Click [here](#) for the North Central's Region website; Click [here](#) for the Southern Region's website.

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:**

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Heather Omand, Associate Director, [heather.omand@uvm.edu](mailto:heather.omand@uvm.edu) (Northeast Region); Beth Nelson, Director of Research and Education, [bethnelson@umn.edu](mailto:bethnelson@umn.edu) (North Central Region); Jeff Jordan, Southern SARE Director, [jjordan@uga.edu](mailto:jjordan@uga.edu) (Southern Region)

**NOTES:** Click [here](#) to read past funded projects.



## Sustainable Food and Agriculture Education Program: Youth Educator Grant

Support projects by youth educators that encourage youth to try sustainable practices and explore sustainable agriculture as a viable career option.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must be located in SARE’s [North Central](#) Region. Successful proposals must address how youth will learn about sustainable agriculture practices and involve local farmers and ranchers.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2021; will reopen in Summer 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$60,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$4,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Application Form, Project Proposal, Budget and Justification, and Animal Care Form.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, the Cheyenne River Youth Project received a \$4,000 grant to fund a Food Sovereignty and Sustainable Agriculture internship program.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Joan Benjamin, Associate Regional Coordinator, [benjaminj@lincolnu.edu](mailto:benjaminj@lincolnu.edu), (573) 681-5545

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## Agricultural Management Assistance

Assists agricultural producers manage financial risk through diversification, marketing or natural resource conservation practices.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants may construct or improve water management structures or irrigation structures; plant trees for windbreaks or to improve water quality; and mitigate risk through production diversification or resource conservation practices, including soil erosion control, integrated pest management, or transition to organic farming.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Varies by local or state [USDA Service Center](#)

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$4,705,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$50,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 25 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Application Form, Project Narrative, and Budget Narrative

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Dave Mason, National Program Manager, [Dave.Mason@usda.gov](mailto:Dave.Mason@usda.gov), (202) 260-9232

**NOTES:** AMA is available in 16 states where participation in the Federal Crop Insurance Program is historically low: Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wyoming.



## Conservation Innovation Grants

*Aims to stimulate the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches and technologies in conjunction with agricultural production.*

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Special funding set aside for on-farm conservation innovation trails. Nationally-funded projects must be multi-state, regional, or nationwide in scope. Funding is available by state as well.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; will reopen in Spring 2021. State funding windows vary by state; please contact your state USDA-NRCS office [here](#).

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$40 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$2 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 100 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Cover Letter, Project Abstract, SF-424 Application, Project Narrative, Team Portfolio, Budget Information, and Assessment of Environmental Impacts. To learn more about application requirements, click [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2014, the First Nations Development Institute received CIG funding that provided technical assistance to develop a conservation-planning process piloted on 14 range units on the Navajo Nation reservation.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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## Conservation Stewardship Program

*Helps agricultural producers maintain and improve their existing conservation systems and adopt additional conservation activities to address priority resource concerns.*

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** First-time applicants must demonstrate they are currently meeting or exceeding the stewardship threshold for at least two resource concerns and will meet or exceed the stewardship threshold for at least one additional resource concern by the end of the stewardship contract.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling basis with state-announced deadlines; view a state's CSP deadline [here](#).

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$700 million to \$1 billion for every Fiscal Year

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Payment rates vary by state. To view the payment rates in a specific area, click [here](#).

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** NRCS Local Conservation Assessment; additional applicant and land eligibility requirements apply; five-year contract term with NRCS. Visit NRCS website [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2015, the Lac Du Flambeau Tribe entered into a five-year program contract to improve 28,000 acres of tribal forestland.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Maggie Rhodes, Financial Assistance Programs Director, [Maggie.Rhodes@usda.gov](mailto:Maggie.Rhodes@usda.gov)

**NOTES:** Selected applicants must enroll into a five-year contract with NRCS. View the program's Fact Sheet [here](#).



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## Environmental Quality Incentives Program

Provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural producers to address natural resource concerns and deliver environmental benefits such as improved water and air quality, conserved ground and surface water, increased soil health and reduced soil erosion and sedimentation, improved or created wildlife habitat, and mitigation against increasing weather volatility.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants are required to enter into a contract with NRCS to receive financial assistance for a portion of the cost of implementing and maintaining conservation practices and activities.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling basis with state-announced deadlines; view your state's NRCS EQIP deadline [here](#).

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$1.8 billion for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$450,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** NRCS Local Conservation Assessment; additional applicant and land eligibility requirements apply; contract terms not to exceed 10 years.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Maggie Rhodes, Financial Assistance Programs Director, [Maggie.Rhodes@usda.gov](mailto:Maggie.Rhodes@usda.gov)

**NOTES:** [Historically underserved](#) (HU) participants are eligible for [advance payments](#) to help offset costs related to purchasing materials or contracting through EQIP.



## Regional Conservation Partnership Program

Promotes coordination of NRCS conservation activities with partners that offer value-added contributions to expand collective ability to address on-farm, watershed, and regional natural resource concerns.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funding for RCPP is divided evenly between two funding pools: Critical Conservation Areas, for projects in eight geographic areas chosen by Secretary; and State/Multistate Areas, for projects in a single state or across several states.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2021; Will Reopen in Summer 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$360 million for Fiscal Year 2020 and Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$10 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement, but 100 percent matching funds are encouraged.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Project Narrative, list of Project Partners; answers to the program's narrative questions; Expected Project Outcomes; Expected Deliverables; Contribution Commitment Letter; Project Map. More information can be found in the Program's Fiscal Year 2020 RFA [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2017, the Ute Indian Tribe and the state of Utah received a \$1.2 million dollar grant to develop a Tribal Water Code and a Tribal Water Assessment Plan.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [State RCPP Coordinator](#), or email [rcpp@usda.gov](mailto:rcpp@usda.gov).

**NOTES:** Find a list of past program grantees [here](#).



## Rural Energy for America Program Energy Audits & Renewable Energy Development Grants

To assist rural small businesses and agricultural producers by conducting and promoting energy audits and providing Renewable Energy Development Assistance (REDA).

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must use funding to provide renewable energy technical assistance and audits to agricultural producers and rural small businesses. Rural small businesses must be located in eligible rural areas.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Open until February 1, 2021.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$50 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement, but priority is given to applicants with a matching fund commitment.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Cover Letter, Project Abstract, SF-424 Application, Project Narrative, Team Portfolio, Budget Information, and Assessment of Environmental Impacts. To learn more about application requirements, click [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2014, the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority received a \$100,000 grant to conduct energy audits that helped farmers, ranchers, and small business owners across the Navajo Nation make their operations more energy efficient.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Anthony Crooks, Rural Energy Policy Specialist, [anthony.crooks@usda.gov](mailto:anthony.crooks@usda.gov), (202) 205-9322



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## Value-Added Producer Grant

Helps agricultural producers enter into value-added activities related to the processing and marketing of new products.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funding priority will be given to applicants that identify as a beginning farmer or rancher, veteran farmer or rancher, socially disadvantaged farmer or rancher, operator of a small or medium-sized family farm, farmer or rancher cooperative, or a mid-tier value chain.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Open until March 16, 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$37 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$75,000 for planning grants; Up to \$250,000 for working capital grants

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 100 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, SF-424 Budget Information Form, Executive Summary and Project Narrative, and a certification of matching funds. Find more information in the program's Federal Register Notice [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2015, the San Xavier Co-op Farm, a Tohono O'odham tribal cooperative, received a \$249,000 working capital grant to develop a processing grain production plan.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Greg York, Management and Program Analyst, [gregory.york@usda.gov](mailto:gregory.york@usda.gov), (202) 281-5259

**NOTES:** This program is strictly for planning or working capital purposes. Construction, real estate improvements, and equipment purchases are not eligible uses of grant funds.



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## Social and Economic Development Strategies: Growing Organizations

To provide financial assistance to American Indian Tribes, Alaska Native villages, and Native non-profit organizations that identify as growing organizations and seek to build their internal capacity in any two of the program areas of interest.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must choose up to two of the following eight program areas of interest to apply: (1) Staff Development, (2) Governance, (3) Effective Grants Management, (4) Strategic/Community Planning, (5) Financial Management Systems, (6) Use of Technology, (7) Ability to Track and Manage Data, and (8) Partnership Development.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$1 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 20 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, SF-424A Budget Information Form, SF-424B Non-Construction Programs Form, certification regarding lobbying activities, and more. See the program's Fiscal Year 2020 [FOA](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2018, the Inuit Circumpolar Council Alaska received a \$89,696 grant to develop the Alaskan Inuit Food Sovereignty Management Action Plan.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** ACF Application Help Desk, [app\\_support@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:app_support@acf.hhs.gov)



## Acer Access and Development Program

Support the efforts of states, tribal governments, and research institutions to promote the domestic maple syrup industry.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must align their proposal to one of the following two project types: (1) Market Development and Promotion, or (2) Producer and Landowner Education. Projects must demonstrate a regional or national impact on domestic maple syrup or maple-sap products and have the potential to quantitatively increase maple-sugaring activities or maple syrup production.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Every Fiscal Year

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Spring 2021

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$6 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$500,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding, or a negotiated indirect cost rate agreement with the agency.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, Project Narrative, signed letters verifying matching funds, signed letters of commitment from partners and collaborator organizations, personnel qualifications, and a NICRA. More information can be found in the Program's FY2020 RFA [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2017, Iowa State University of Science and Technology received a \$346,800 grant to support the Inter-Tribal Maple Syrup Producers Cooperative with direct learning opportunities, workshops, and field-based events.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Martin Rosier, Team Lead, [Martin.Rosier@usda.gov](mailto:Martin.Rosier@usda.gov), (202) 260-8449



## Farmers Market Promotion Program

*Funds projects that develop, coordinate and expand direct producer-to-consumer markets to help increase access to and availability of locally and regionally produced agricultural products by developing, coordinating, expanding, and providing outreach, training, and technical assistance to domestic farmers markets, community-supported agriculture programs, agritourism activities, or other direct producer-to-consumer market opportunities.*

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Priority consideration will be given to projects that benefit communities located in areas of concentrated poverty with limited access to supermarkets or locally or regionally grown food.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Spring 2021.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$13.5 million for Fiscal Year 2020.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** FMPP Capacity Building projects can fund up to \$250,000; Community Development Training and Technical Assistance projects can fund up to \$500,000.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 25 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding, or a negotiated indirect cost rate agreement with the agency.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, Project Narrative, signed letters verifying matching funds, signed letters of commitment from partners and collaborator organizations. More information can be found in the Program's FY2020 RFA [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, the White Mountain Apache Tribe received a \$500,000 grant to build producer capacity and increase direct producer-to-consumer local food access through the Tribe's annual Apache Harvest Festival.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [USDAMPPQuestions@ams.usda.gov](mailto:USDAMPPQuestions@ams.usda.gov), (202) 720-0933

**NOTES:** Click [here](#) to see a full list of funded FMPP projects from 1999 to 2020.



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## Local Food Promotion Program

*Funds projects that develop, coordinate and expand local and regional food business enterprises that engage as intermediaries in indirect producer to consumer marketing to help increase access to and availability of locally and regionally produced agricultural products.*

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Priority consideration will be given to projects that benefit communities located in areas of concentrated poverty with limited access to supermarkets or locally or regionally grown food.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; will reopen in Spring 2021.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$13.5 million for Fiscal Year 2020.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Planning projects can fund up to \$100,000; Implementation projects can fund up to \$500,000.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 25 percent of all federal funds must be matched by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, Project Narrative, signed letters verifying matching funds, signed letters of commitment from partners and collaborator organizations. More information can be found in the Program's Fiscal Year 2020 RFA [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, the Rosebud Economic Development Corporation received a \$87,290 grant to launch their Sicangu Local Foods Initiative by conducting a detailed Local Foods Market Opportunity Study on the Rosebud Indian Reservation.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [USDALFPPQuestions@ams.usda.gov](mailto:USDALFPPQuestions@ams.usda.gov), (202) 720-0933



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## Regional Food Systems Partnerships Grant

*Supports partnerships that connect public and private resources to plan and develop local or regional food systems.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects that leverage significant non-federal financial and technical resources and coordinate with other local, state, tribal, or other national efforts.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Spring 2021.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$5 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Planning and Design projects fund up to \$250,000; Implementation and Expansion projects can fund up to \$1 million.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 25 percent of all federal funds must be matched by cash contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** There is no cap on indirect costs.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, Project Narrative, signed letters verifying matching funds, signed letters of commitment from partners and collaborator organizations. More information can be found in the Program's FY2020 RFA [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, the First Nations Development Institute received a \$301,544 grant to co-develop food sovereignty assessments with Spirit Lake Nation and Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Patrick Kelley, RFSP Team Lead, [Patrick.Kelley@usda.gov](mailto:Patrick.Kelley@usda.gov), (202) 205-3941



## Plant Pest and Disease Management and Disaster Prevention Program

*Funds projects organized around specific goal areas that represent critical needs and opportunities to strengthen, prevent, detect, and mitigate invasive pests and diseases*

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must meet one of the program's six strategic goal areas: enhancing plant pest and disease analysis and survey; targeting domestic inspection activities at vulnerable points in the safeguarding continuum; enhancing and strengthening pest identification and technology; safeguarding nursery production; conducting targeted outreach and education; and enhancing mitigation and rapid response capabilities.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Summer 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$75 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Varies by need; there is not a maximum funding amount.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 15 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Project Proposal, Budget Narrative, SF-424 Application Form, and Key Personnel Profile.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe received a \$253,147 grant to develop a response plan to the Emerald Ash Borer Plant Health Emergency on the St. Regis Mohawk territory.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).



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## Bureau of Indian Affairs Inventory Program

Funds range inventories and range utilization surveys in order to identify vegetative cover, range condition, precipitation zones, current forage utilization, and establish the season of use, and recommended type and numbers of livestock to be grazed.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects must be agriculture programs under direct supervision of a tribal nation or organization

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling basis; interested parties must submit a tribal contract with the Bureau.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Varies by Fiscal Year and tribal need

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Varies by tribal contract

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** An Indirect Cost Agreement must be made with the Bureau prior to applying.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Project Proposal, Budget Narrative, Key Personnel Profile, Contract Application

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:**

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:**

Ira New Breast, Division Chief of Natural Resources, [Ira.NewBreast@bia.gov](mailto:Ira.NewBreast@bia.gov), (505) 563-3130

**NOTES:** Interested tribal nations must enter into a multi-year contract with the Bureau to receive funding.



## Fish Hatchery Operations & Maintenance Program

To provide funding to fish-producing tribal nations in support of associated hatching, rearing and stocking programs.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Eligible hatcheries are any multi-purpose or single-purpose facility owned by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) or a federally-recognized tribal nation engaged in the spawning, hatching, rearing, holding, caring for, or stocking of fish and/or shellfish. Facilities owned by other federal agencies, states, and non-tribal entities are not eligible to receive maintenance funds.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling basis; interested parties must submit a tribal contract with the Bureau.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$7 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Varies; dependent on hatchery needs and the amount of tribal funding requests

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** An Indirect Cost Agreement must be made with the Bureau prior to applying.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Project Proposal, Budget Narrative, Hatchery Facility Description Form, and Key Personnel Profile

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**

David Wooten, Branch Chief, Fish, Wildlife & Recreation, [David.Wooten@bia.gov](mailto:David.Wooten@bia.gov), (505) 563-3128

**NOTES:** Hatchery funds are noncompetitive funds that provide base funding for 12 tribal nations.



## Native American Affairs Technical Assistance Program

Establishes cooperative working relationships, through partnerships with Indian tribes and tribal organizations, to assist tribes as they develop, manage, and protect their water and related resources



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must be a federally recognized tribal nation or tribal organization located in the 17 Western states identified in the Reclamation Act of 1902: Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming. Funded projects must be completed in a two-year time period.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2021; Will Reopen in Summer 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$1 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$200,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement, but partnership applications are encouraged.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application

Form, SF-424A Budget Information Form, SF-424 Assurances Form, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, Project Narrative, Project Budget, and more. See the Program's Fiscal Year 2021 FOA [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, The Oglala Sioux Tribe received a \$200,000 grant to expand the Tribe's "7 Years for 7 Generations" community water program.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Matthew Reichert, Grants Management Specialist, [mreichert@usbr.gov](mailto:mreichert@usbr.gov); (303) 445-3865

**NOTES:** There are examples of successful proposals approved for funding on the program's website, including: [the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Elk Valley Rancheria Amador Water Tank Rehabilitation Project](#), and [the Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Reservation](#). This grant program also provides tribal opportunities for cooperative agreements, which will allow for a longer funding period (up to five years).



## Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training Grants

To further environmental justice by ensuring that residents living in communities historically affected by economic disinvestment, health disparities, and environmental contamination, including low-income, minority, and tribal communities, have an opportunity to reap the benefits of revitalization and environmental cleanup.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Grant funding must be used to train unemployed and under-employed residents of communities impacted by a variety of waste facilities, blighted properties, contaminated sites.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2021; Will Reopen in Summer 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$3 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$200,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement, but funds will be considered during application review.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to five percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs, Compliance Review Report, EPA Key Contacts Form, Cover Letter, and Project Narrative. See the Program's 2021 [RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2017, Salish Kootenai College on the Flathead Indian Reservation received a \$197,868 grant to train 30 students and place at least 26 graduates in tribal environmental jobs.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Channing Shepherd, National Job Training Lead, [Shepherd.Channing@epa.gov](mailto:Shepherd.Channing@epa.gov), (202) 566-1238

**NOTES:** To see the program's FAQs [here](#).



## Indian Environmental General Assistance Program

To provide financial assistance to federally recognized tribal nations and tribal consortia for planning, developing and establishing environmental protection programs in Indian Country, and for developing and implementing solid and hazardous waste programs on tribal lands.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects must be submitted by federally recognized tribal nations or intertribal consortia with delegated authority to represent federally recognized tribal nations.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling application basis

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$63 million for Fiscal Year 2019

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2019

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Project Narrative, Assistance Agreement, Work Plan, and more. See the program's [Application Guidebook](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2015, the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians received a \$30,000 grant to develop its own Toxic Substances Control Act program.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:**

Felicia Wright, Deputy Director, EPA American Indian Environmental Office, [wright.felicia@epa.gov](mailto:wright.felicia@epa.gov), (202) 566-1886



## State and Tribal Brownfields Response Program Grants

To ensure that state and tribal response programs include, or are taking reasonable steps to include, certain elements of an environmental response program and that the program establishes and maintains a public record of sites addressed



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** States and tribal nations may use funding to establish or enhance its Brownfields response program. Eligible activities include developing legal documents that establish a program, conducting site-specific activities, and controlling operation and maintenance of a response program.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2021; Will Reopen in Summer 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$50 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$1.5 million for tribal applicants in Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** To be negotiated with the Agency

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Cooperative Agreement Application, work or business plan, Budget Narrative, and a budget breakdown. See the Program's [2021 RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2018, the Fort Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes received program funding to develop an assessment and cleanup of a former airport to revitalize the area into a Sustainable Village development for local farmers and ranchers.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** See contact information for your regional Brownfields Coordinator [here](#).

**NOTES:** See a list of eligible entities to receive Brownfields funding [here](#).



## State Environmental Justice Cooperative Agreement Program

Support and/or create model state activities that lead to measurable environmental or public health results in communities disproportionately burdened by environmental harms and risks.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects should leverage: (1) state and local data; (2) state and local leadership; (3) state and local results; (4) relationships between delegated programs and state environmental justice policies, and (5) state targeting of disproportionately burdened areas.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$1 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$200,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application

Form, SF-424 Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs Form, EPA Form 4700-4, EPA Key Contacts Form, Project Narrative Attached Form in Grants.gov, Application Work Plan. More information can be found in the Program's FY 2020 RFA [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) initiated the Tribal Participation Protocol Development Project (TPP) in partnership with six tribal communities that make up the Yukon Koyukuk (Y-K) Subregion of the Tanana Chiefs Conference.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Office of Environmental Justice, [environmental-justice@epa.gov](mailto:environmental-justice@epa.gov), (202) 564-2515

**NOTES:** The program's funding allowed for five funded projects for Fiscal Year 2020.



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## Richard B. Russell NSLA Farm-to-School Program

Assists eligible entities, through grants and technical assistance, in implementing farm-to-school programs that improve access to local foods in eligible schools.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** The program will prioritize projects that are designed to improve access to local foods in eligible schools, for activities such as: training, supporting operations, planning, purchasing equipment, developing school gardens, developing partnerships, and implementing farm-to-school programs.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; will reopen in Fall 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$10 million for Fiscal Year 2018 and 2019

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2018 and 2019

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 25 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** 10 percent of all grant funding, or a negotiated indirect cost rate agreement with the subagency

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Budget Narrative, SF-424 Application Form, SF-424 Budget forms, SF-LLL Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, Project Narrative, signed letters of commitment, and matching funds certification. See the Program's FY 2020 [RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, the Red Cloud Indian School received \$100,000 in grant funding to expand the school's existing farm-to-school program and to introduce food production into the school's curriculum.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [SM.FN.FarmtoSchool@usda.gov](mailto:SM.FN.FarmtoSchool@usda.gov)



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## Community Forest and Open Space Conservation Program

To establish community forests by protecting forest land from conversion to non-forest uses and provide community benefits such as sustainable forest management, environmental and forest-based educational programs, and models for effective forest stewardship.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Eligible lands for grants funded under this program are private forest that is at least five acres in size, suitable to sustain natural vegetation, and at least 75 percent forested. The lands must also be threatened by conversion to non-forest uses, must not be held in trust by the United States on behalf of any federally recognized tribal nation, must be offered for sale by a willing seller, and if acquired by an eligible entity, must provide defined community benefits under CFP and allow public access.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2021; Will Reopen in Fall 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Not applicable

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$600,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 100 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Full Application Form, Budget Information Form, Land Acquisition Verification, Project Map, Description Forms of Current Land Use, Community Forest Plan, Partnership and Community Engagement Narrative, and more. See the Program's 2021 [RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2019, the Kalispel Tribe partnered with the Syringa Ecological Consulting group to develop an assessment study to determine the best management practices for Tribal forest managers.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Scott Stewart, Program Manager, [Scott.Stewart@usda.gov](mailto:Scott.Stewart@usda.gov), (202) 205-1618



## Agriculture and Food Research Initiative: Education and Workforce Development Agriculture

Focuses on developing the next generation of research, education, and extension professionals in the food and agricultural sciences.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects must aim to advance professional development for agricultural literacy, training of undergraduate students in research and extension, fund fellowships for predoctoral candidates, fund fellowships for postdoctoral scholars, and for agricultural workforce training.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; will reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$49 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$500,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Required if the project's topic is commodity specific and not of national scope; the program does offer waivers. See the Program 2020 [RFA](#) for more information.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 30 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Full application with a project summary, project narrative, and bibliography. See the Program [RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2017, Montana State University-Bozeman was awarded project funding to engage Native American students in transdisciplinary study of agriculture, food, and nutrition through two-year research and experiential learning fellowships.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Carlos Ortiz, National Program Leader, [Carlos.Ortiz@usda.gov](mailto:Carlos.Ortiz@usda.gov), (816) 926-2700

**NOTES:** See the program's Funding Evaluation Criteria [here](#).



## Agriculture and Food Research Initiative: Foundational and Applied Science Program

Supports grants in six AFRI priority areas to advance knowledge in both fundamental and applied sciences important to agriculture.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects must fit into one of the program's six priority areas: Plant Health and Production and Plant Products; Animal Health and Production and Animal Products; Food Safety, Nutrition, and Health; Bioenergy, Natural Resources, and Environment; Agriculture Systems and Technology; and Agriculture Economics and Rural Communities.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Open until July 29, 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$290 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Varies by program area priority, see Part 1, C of the RFA

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 100 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions, but the program does offer waivers. See the program [RFA](#) for more information.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 30 percent of grants funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Letter of Intent and a full application. More information can be found in the Program's RFA [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2017, Sitting Bull College, Sinte Gleska, and Little Big Horn College received a \$74,996 grant to develop genetic bison studies to assess whether their tribal nations' current nutrition management practices are sufficient to enhance bison performance.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Program area priorities have specific contacts listed in Part 1, C of the RFA; for general questions, please email [AFRI@usda.gov](mailto:AFRI@usda.gov).

**NOTES:** Please see the [AFRI Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#) for answers to general questions. Additionally, tribal colleges and universities may qualify for special funding consideration available through the AFRI Food and Agricultural Science Enhancement (FASE) grants program.

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## Agriculture and Food Research Initiative: Sustainable Agricultural Systems

To promote the sustainable supply of abundant, affordable, safe, nutritious, and accessible food and other agricultural products, while enhancing economic opportunities and improving the long-term health and well-being of Americans

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** NIFA seeks creative and visionary applications that take a systems approach for projects focused on the themes in the USDA Science Blueprint: (1) sustainable agricultural intensification; (2) agricultural climate adaptation; (3) value-added innovation; and/or (4) food and nutrition translation.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Open until July 1, 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$150 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$10 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Varies by project area, see the 2021 RFA for more information

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 30 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Letter of Intent, Project Summary, Project Narrative, Data Management Plan, Budget, Budget Justification, Current and Pending Project Support, Conflict of Interests List, and Curriculum Vitae. See more requirements listed in the Program's 2021 RFA [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2017, the University of California-Berkeley, in partnership with the Karuk, Yurok and Klamath tribal nations, received a \$777,777 grant to develop sustainable regional food systems in the Klamath Basin.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** AFRI Sustainable Agricultural Systems Team, [afri-sas@usda.gov](mailto:afri-sas@usda.gov), (202) 401-6602



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## Small Business Innovation Research Program - Phase 1

Offers competitively awarded grants to qualified small businesses to support high-quality research related to important scientific problems and opportunities in agriculture that could lead to significant public benefits.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Proposed projects should address one of the 12 research topic areas, including but not limited to: forest management resources, plant production and protection, conservation and natural resources, food nutrition, rural development, aquaculture, and biofuels and bio-based products.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Summer 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$25 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Cover Sheet, Project Summary, Project Narrative, Project Site Location Documentation, Key Personnel Profiles, and Budget Information. See the Program's 2021 [RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2016, Kampachi Farms, LLC, located in Kailua Kona, Hawaii, received a \$99,740 grant to develop commercial fishing technology that would prevent overexploitation of wild fish resources.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [sbir@usda.gov](mailto:sbir@usda.gov)

**NOTES:** See a list of Funded SBIR projects [here](#).



## Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund

Supports projects necessary for the conservation of salmon and steelhead populations that are listed as threatened or endangered, or identified by a state as at-risk to be so listed, for maintaining populations necessary for exercise of tribal treaty fishing rights or native subsistence fishing, or for the conservation of Pacific coastal salmon and steelhead habitat.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects must be located in the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Nevada, California, and Alaska, and federally recognized tribal nations of the Columbia River and Pacific Coast, including Alaska. Projects must fulfill one of the program's three priority areas.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020, will reopen Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$65 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$25 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Tribal nations and organizations are exempt from any cost-share requirement.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Pre-Proposal (encouraged), SF-424 Application Form, SF-424A Budget Information Form, SF-424B Non-Construction Programs Form, Certification Regarding Lobbying Activities, and more. See the program's FY2020 [Funding Opportunity Announcement](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, the Skokomish Tribe, through the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission, received \$76,000 to plan pre-season harvest and in-season catch of culturally relevant fish species.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Jennie Franks, Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund Coordinator, [Jennie.Franks@noaa.gov](mailto:Jennie.Franks@noaa.gov), (503) 231-2344





## Community Food Projects Program

Supports programs designed to increase food security in communities by bringing the whole food system together to assess strengths, establish linkages, and create systems that improve the self-reliance of community members regarding their food needs.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Preferred projects develop linkages between two or more sectors of the food system, support the development of entrepreneurial projects, develop innovative linkages between the for-profit and nonprofit food sectors, encourage long-term planning activities and multisystem, and build long-term capacity of communities to address the food and agricultural problems of communities.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Open until May 4, 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$4.8 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$400,000 for projects less than four years; Up to \$400,000 for four-year projects

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 100 percent of all federal funds must be met by in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Applicants must have a negotiated indirect cost rate with the subagency.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Matching funds documentation, proposed business plan, logic model, data management plan, and budget information are all needed in the application process. See the Program's 2021 [RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2018, the Sitka Tribe of Alaska received funding to improve food distribution to the vulnerable, low-income citizens within the Sitka Tribe of Alaska (STA) community.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Lisa Jahns, Biological Science Specialist, [lisa.jahns@usda.gov](mailto:lisa.jahns@usda.gov)

**NOTES:** There are two types of projects solicited: Community Food Projects and Planning Projects. Projects must involve low-income participants and show evidence of self-sustainability.

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## Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network

To establish a network that connects individuals who are engaged in farming, ranching, and other agriculture-related occupations to stress assistance programs.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applications may only be submitted by a collaborative state, tribal, local, or regionally-based network, or partnership of qualified public and/or private entities.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; will reopen in 2023

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every three years

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$7,187,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$2 million in Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 30 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, Project Performance Assessment Plan, Division of Labor and Management Plan, Budget and Budget Narrative, Key Personnel Profile, etc. More information can be found in the Program's FY 2020 RFA [here](#).

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Brent Elrod, National Program Leader, [richard.elrod@usda.gov](mailto:richard.elrod@usda.gov), (816) 926-2535



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## Saltonstall-Kennedy Grant Program

To address the needs of fishing communities, optimize economic benefits by building and maintaining sustainable fisheries, and increase other opportunities to keep the working waterfronts viable.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects must demonstrate direct benefits to the U.S. fishing and marine aquaculture industries, including projects geared towards: (1) helping seafood communities resolve issues that affect their ability to fish or farm, (2) making full use of those species that are under federal and state management plans, and (3) addressing the socioeconomic impacts of overfishing.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2021; Will Reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$10 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$300,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, SF-424 Budget Information Form, Pre-Proposal Narrative, Proposal Narrative, Budget Narrative, and more. See the program's FY2021 [Application Checklist](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2016, the Makah Indian Tribe received a \$138,080 grant to develop a project focusing on techniques for reducing bycatch of overfished rockfish species.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:**

Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Clifford Cosgrove, Program Manager, [Clifford.cosgrove@noaa.gov](mailto:Clifford.cosgrove@noaa.gov), (301) 427-8736

**NOTES:** See the Program's FY2020 Grant Recipient List [here](#).

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## Species Recovery Grants to Tribes

To support tribally led management, research, monitoring, and outreach activities that have direct conservation benefits for ESA-listed species.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects will support tribally-led practices that have direct conservation benefits for listed species under the Endangered Species Act. Pacific salmon or steelhead are not considered under this grant program.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$300,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Applicants must file for an indirect cost agreement with the subagency.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, Budget Information Form, Non-Construction Programs Form, Project Proposals, Indirect Cost Rate Agreement, and more. See the Program's FY2020 [RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, the Yurok Tribe received a \$51,700 grant to develop a project aimed at using environmental DNA sampling to evaluate the spatial-temporal distribution of eulachon.

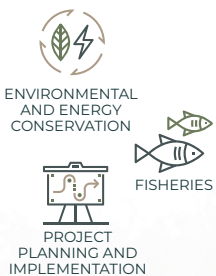
**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:**

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Maggie Miller, Species Recovery Grants Program Officer, [Margaret.H.Miller@noaa.gov](mailto:Margaret.H.Miller@noaa.gov), (301) 427-8457

**NOTES:** See a list of NOAA Endangered Species [here](#).



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## Agricultural Conservation Easement Program

Assists landowners, land trusts, and other entities to protect, restore, and enhance wetlands, grasslands, and working farms and ranches through conservation easements.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funding must be used for purchasing agriculture land easements, including cropland, rangeland, grassland, pastureland, and nonindustrial private forest land. NRCS will prioritize applications that protect agricultural uses and related conservation values of the land and those that maximize the protection of contiguous acres devoted to agricultural use.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Varies by state NRCS office; find your state NRCS office [here](#).

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$450 million for Fiscal Year 2019

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Payment rates vary for permanent easement or 30-year contract. Payments are based on appraisals or approved valuation methods.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Varies by contract

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** NRCS Local Conservation Assessment; NRCS 5-year agreement; private land ownership for Wetland Reserve component; Conservation easement holding capability and private landowner with agreement to place easement on property for Agricultural Land Component.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** The Pokagon Band of the Potawatomi Tribe has utilized WRP to restore over 1,100 acres of their land back to historic marsh conditions and re-establishing traditional wild rice beds.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** John Glover, Branch Chief Policy & Implementation Easement Programs Division, [john.glover@usda.gov](mailto:john.glover@usda.gov)

**NOTES:** Under the Agricultural Land Easement component, NRCS may contribute up to 50 percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land easement.



## Urban Agriculture and Innovation Production (UAIP) Competitive Grants Program

Supports the development of urban agriculture and innovative production activities by funding Planning Projects (PP) and Implementation Projects (IP) led by nonprofit organizations, local or tribal governments, and schools that serve any of the grades K-12 in areas of the United States.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Planning Projects and Implementation Projects should target a single or multiple urban areas, suburbs, or urban clusters in the United States where access to fresh foods is limited or unavailable and should include one or more partner organizations to achieve project goals within the target area(s).

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$3 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$500,000 for Fiscal Year 2020.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding, or a negotiated indirect cost rate agreement with the subagency

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Project Proposal, Application Form, SF-424 Budget Information on Non-Construction and Construction Projects Form, Budget Narrative, Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA), and Certification and Disclosure of Lobbying Activities. See the Program's 2020 [RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** The Pokagon Band of the Potawatomi Tribe has utilized WRP to restore over 1,100 acres of their land back to historic marsh conditions and re-establishing traditional wild rice beds.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Ronald Harris, Program Director, [Ronald.Harris@usda.gov](mailto:Ronald.Harris@usda.gov)

**NOTES:** Interested parties can also enter into a cooperative agreement under this program.



## Wetland Mitigation Banking Program

Supports the development and establishment of wetland mitigation banks to make credits available for agricultural producers.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funding must be used to develop and establish a wetland mitigation bank only for use by agricultural producers. Agricultural wetlands that have been converted or manipulated are ideal candidates for mitigation bank development under this program. Eligible entities must operate and manage all aspects of the wetland mitigation bank with technical oversight by NRCS.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$5 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$1 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 25 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding, or a negotiated indirect cost rate agreement with the subagency

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Application Form, SF-424A Budget Information Form, Budget Narrative, Certification and Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, Executive Summary, and Project Narrative. See the Program's 2020 [RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2016, the Makah Indian Tribe received a \$138,080 grant to develop a project focusing on techniques for reducing bycatch of overfished rockfish species.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [WMBP@usda.gov](mailto:WMBP@usda.gov)



## Community Connect Grants

Helps fund broadband deployment into rural communities where it is not yet economically viable for private sector providers to deliver service.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must deploy projects in eligible rural areas that lack any existing broadband speed of at least 10 Mbps downstream and 1 Mbps upstream.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Open for Fiscal Year 2021; window will close on December 23, 2020

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Approximately \$13 million; total program funding is dependent on the previous year's roll-over funds.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$3 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 25 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** See the program's [Application Guide](#) for a detailed list of requirements.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2018, the Choctaw Nation received a \$2,987,850 grant to construct a hybrid fiber-to-the-home and fixed wireless system on unserved portions of the Choctaw Nation.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [community.connect@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:community.connect@wdc.usda.gov), (202) 720-0800

**NOTES:** See the Program's 2021 Application Guide [here](#).



## Community Facilities Economic Impact Initiative Grant

Provides funding to assist in the development of essential community facilities in rural communities.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funding must be used to construct, enlarge or improve community facilities for health care, public safety and public service in eligible rural areas.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Applications are open year-round

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$2.8 billion in Loans; \$30 million in Grants for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Varies; up to 100 percent of eligible project cost based on need and funding availability. The grant portion can be no more than 75 percent.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement, but preference will be given to applications with cash contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** See the program's [Guidance Book for Applicants](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2019, the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan (SCIT) received a \$21,900 grant to purchase a patrol vehicle for the Saganing Tribal Reservation.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your State USDA Rural Development Office [here](#).

**NOTES:** Applicants must be unable to finance the project from their own resources or through commercial credit at reasonable rates and terms.



## Community Facilities Technical Assistance and Training Grant

Assist communities, tribal nations, and nonprofit corporations to identify and plan for community facility needs that exist in their area.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funding priority will be given to eligible rural areas that have state, federal, or local partnerships and have cash matching funds

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020, will reopen in February 2021 for Fiscal Year 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$1.5 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$150,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement, but preference will be given to applications with cash matching funds.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** If applicable, applicant must include approved cost rate agreement schedule.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, SF-424 Budget Information Form, Project Proposal, Project Summary, Project Narrative, and more. See the Program's FY2020 [REA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2019, the Cherokee Nation received a \$87,019 grant to develop a technical assistance program for tribal citizens in six counties in Northeast Oklahoma.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your State USDA Rural Development Office [here](#).

**NOTES:** See the Program's 2020 Fact Sheet [here](#).



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## Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grants

*Helps rural communities use the unique capabilities of telecommunications to connect to each other and to the world, overcoming the effects of remoteness and low population density.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects should be aimed towards expanding broadband capabilities, including building facilities, equipment, and the acquisition of instructional programming, and technical assistance equipment.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$25 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$1 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 15 percent match of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** If applicable, an applicant must include approved cost rate agreement schedule.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, Project Summary, Certification of Matching Funds, USDA State Consultation for Plan Conformity, and more. See the program's [Application Guide](#) for more details.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2019, the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma received a \$280,895 grant to implement a distance learning project to deliver Choctaw language classes to 15 rural high schools.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [dtlinfo@usda.gov](mailto:dtlinfo@usda.gov), (202) 720-0800

**NOTES:** See the program's Fact Sheet [here](#).



## Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Program ("2501 Program")

*To encourage and assist socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers, veteran farmers and ranchers, and beginning farmers and ranchers with owning and operating farms and ranches and in participating equitably in the full range of agricultural, forestry, and related programs offered by USDA.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funding will be given to organizations with at least 3 years of documented history working with socially disadvantaged farmers or ranchers or veteran farmers or ranchers for projects designed to provide education and training in agriculture and to assist socially disadvantaged or veteran farmers and ranchers in owning and operating viable agricultural enterprises.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2021; will reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$20 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$750,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application, SF-424 Budget Information (Construction and Non-Construction), Project Summary, and Key Personnel Form. See the program's FY2020 [RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2018, the Fort Peck Community College received a \$196,300 grant to provide socially disadvantaged American Indian farmers and ranchers with tools and strategies to improve financial sustainability while remaining faithful to the cultural values.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Kenya Nicholas, 2501 Program Director, [2501Grants@usda.gov](mailto:2501Grants@usda.gov)

**NOTES:** See the program's Fact Sheet [here](#).



## Rural Business Development Grant

To support targeted technical assistance, training, and other activities leading to the development or expansion of small and emerging private businesses in rural areas that have fewer than 50 employees and less than \$1 million in gross revenues.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** RBDG funds must be directed for projects benefiting rural areas or towns outside the urbanized periphery of any city with a population of 50,000 or more. Check eligible areas [here](#).

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Open, contact your Local or State USDA Service Center for state deadlines

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$42 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$500,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding, or a negotiated indirect cost rate agreement with the subagency.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Vary by state or local USDA-RD office. Applicants are advised to view program information specific to [your local or state office](#) to learn more application timelines, project narrative requirements, etc.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2015, the Spirit Lake Tribe received a \$973,000 grant to renovate their mini mall building on the reservation and convert it to a rental space for tribal entrepreneurs.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#)

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#)

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Cindy Mason, [cindy.mason@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:cindy.mason@wdc.usda.gov), (202) 690-1433

**NOTES:** See the program's Fact Sheet [here](#).



## Rural Community Development Initiative Grants

Provides funding to help non-profit housing and community development organizations support housing, community facilities, and community and economic development projects in rural areas.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must deploy projects in eligible rural areas that need to improve or enlarge their community facilities, housing, or economic development projects.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; will reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$6 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$250,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 100 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, SF-424B Form, SF-LLL Disclosure of Lobbying

Activities, Project Narrative, Project Summary, and more. See the program's [Application Checklist](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2015, Red Wind Consulting, a tribal non-profit organization, received a \$244,259 grant to help the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Housing Authority develop new programs for tribal citizens who are homeless, including veterans and victims of domestic abuse.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Shirley Stevenson, Community Programs Specialist, [shirley.stevenson@usda.gov](mailto:shirley.stevenson@usda.gov), (202) 205-9685

**NOTES:** See the program's Fact Sheet [here](#).



## Rural Cooperative Development Grant

To improve the economic condition of rural areas by assisting individuals and businesses in the startup, expansion, or operational improvements of rural cooperatives and other mutually-owned businesses through Cooperative Development Centers.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Proposed projects should use grant funding to develop feasibility studies, developing business plans, providing operational training, and facilitating strategic planning.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$5.8 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$200,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 25 percent, or five percent for Tribal Colleges and Universities, of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Applicants must have a negotiated indirect cost rate agreement with the subagency.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, SF-424 Budget Information Form, and Project Narrative. See the program's FY 2020 Application Checklist [here](#).

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Natalie Melton, Project Management Division, [CPgrants@usda.gov](mailto:CPgrants@usda.gov); (202) 740-1400 (phone)

**NOTES:** See the program's Fact Sheet [here](#).



## Rural Housing Preservation Grant

Provides grants to sponsoring organizations for the repair or rehabilitation of housing owned or occupied by low and very low-income rural citizens.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must be from a [USDA Rural Development eligible area](#) and must meet USDA's definition of low and very low-income status. Applicants are required to make quarterly progress reports and a final audit of their accomplishments.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; will reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$15 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$50,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement, but the program will consider other financial contributions during the application review.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** There is no cap on indirect costs.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, Project Narrative, Timeline and Spending Narrative, and more. See the program's 2020 [Federal Register Notice](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2013, the Sault Saint Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians received a \$38,309 grant to rehabilitate 20 tribal housing units.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Bonnie Edwards-Jackson, Finance and Loan Analyst, [bonnie.edwards@usda.gov](mailto:bonnie.edwards@usda.gov), (202) 690-0759





## Socially Disadvantaged Groups Grant

To provide technical assistance to socially-disadvantaged groups through cooperatives and Cooperative Development Centers.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must use grant funding to provide technical assistance to socially-disadvantaged groups in rural areas of the United States.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Summer 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$3 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$175,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding, or a negotiated indirect cost rate agreement with USDA.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, SF-424A Budget Narrative, Federal Judgment Certification, Executive Summary, Eligibility Discussion (four-page narrative)

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2019, the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma received a \$60,680 grant to fund a multifaceted community tourism development within the nation's territory.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** David Chestnut, National Program Contact, [David.Chestnut@usda.gov](mailto:David.Chestnut@usda.gov)

**NOTES:** All applicants are required to be registered in the System for Awards Management (SAM) at the time of application.



## Coastal Program: Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Grants

To provide technical and financial assistance to coastal communities and landowners to restore and protect fish and wildlife habitat on public and private lands.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects must be within the U.S. portion of the Great Lakes basin, which includes parts of Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New York.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; will reopen in 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$1 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** \$40,000 TO \$200,000

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement, but in-kind and monetary matching contributions are encouraged.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Applicants must file for an indirect cost agreement with agency.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Application Form, SF-424 Assurances Form, SF-424 Budget

Information Form, Project Narrative, Budget Narrative, Indirect Cost Statement and more. See the program's FY2020 [RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2019, the Gun Lake Tribe of Pottawatomi Indians partnered with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to develop a river restoration project for lake sturgeon in the Kalamazoo River.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Christie Deloria, [Christie\\_Deloria@fws.gov](mailto:Christie_Deloria@fws.gov), (906) 266-1240

**NOTES:** All applicants are required to be registered in the System for Awards Management (SAM) at the time of application.



## Tribal Wildlife Grant

Provides funding to federally-recognized tribal nations to develop and implement programs that benefit fish and wildlife resources and their habitat.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Eligible applicants will develop projects that promote conservation planning of fish and wildlife, conservation management, habitat restoration, and related research.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$5.2 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$200,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding; a tribal entity may enter into an indirect cost rate agreement with the subagency; more information can be found in the Program's [2020 RFA](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2019, the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe received a \$200,000 grant to develop a Lahontan Cutthroat Trout population viability analysis and restoration project.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Scott Aikin, National Native American Programs Coordinator, [Scott\\_Aikin@fws.gov](mailto:Scott_Aikin@fws.gov), (360) 604-2531

**NOTES:** Connect with your Regional Native American Liaison [here](#).



## Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program

To help beginning farmers and ranchers in the U.S. and its territories enter and/or improve their successes in farming, ranching, and management of nonindustrial private forest lands through support for projects that provide education, mentoring, and technical assistance to give beginning farmers and ranchers the knowledge, skills, and tools needed to make informed decisions for their operations and enhance their sustainability.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** BFRDP projects must establish beginning farmer and rancher education teams to develop curricula and conduct educational programs and workshops for beginning farmers or

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Open until March 25, 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$14 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$200,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 25 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Cover Sheet; Project Site Location(s) Form; Project Summary; Project Narrative; Personnel Profile; Management Plan; Commitment Letters; Budget Justification. To learn more

about the application requirements, click [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2016, Stone Child College, a tribally chartered college established by the Chippewa Cree Tribe, received a \$265,179 grant to establish a farmer and rancher technical assistance program.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Denis Ebodaghe, National Program Leader, [denis.ebodaghe@usda.gov](mailto:denis.ebodaghe@usda.gov), (202) 401-4385

**NOTES:** Special funding set-aside for projects that address the needs of beginning farmers or ranchers with limited resources, socially disadvantaged farmers or ranchers, and farm workers desiring to become farmers or ranchers.



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## Crop Protection and Pest Management

To address high-priority issues related to pests and their management using integrated pest management approaches at the state, regional and national levels.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applications are only accepted from colleges and universities. Applicants must propose one of these three project types: Applied research, Research-led, or Extension-led.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Open until March 15, 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$18.1 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$200,000 for single state projects; Up to \$325,000 for multi-state collaboration projects

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 100 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 30 percent of grant funding.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Cover Sheet, SF-424 Project Site Location Forms, Project Narrative, Partnership Collaboration Letters, Personnel Data,

Budget, and Budget Narrative. See the program's 2020 [RFA](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2016, Stone Child College, a tribally chartered college established by the Chippewa Cree Tribe, received a \$265,179 grant to establish a farmer and rancher technical assistance program.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Robert M. Nowierski, National Program Leader, [Robert.nowierski@usda.gov](mailto:Robert.nowierski@usda.gov), (202) 552-9084

**NOTES:** Special funding set-aside for projects that address the needs of beginning farmers or ranchers with limited resources, socially disadvantaged farmers or ranchers, and farm workers desiring to become farmers or ranchers.



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## Equipment Grant Program

*Increases access to shared-use special purpose equipment/instruments for fundamental and applied research for use in the food and agricultural sciences programs at institutions of higher education, including State Cooperative Extension Systems.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** EGP projects must involve acquisition of only a single, well-integrated piece of equipment/instrument. “Well-integrated” means that the ensemble of equipment that defines the instrument enables specific fundamental or applied research experiments in food and agricultural sciences.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Tribal colleges and universities

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; Will Reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$4.7 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$500,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Cover Sheet, Project Site Location, Key Personnel Profile, Annual Budget, and other information. See the program’s [Application Guide](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** This program has not had a tribal grantee since its inception in 2018.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Carlos Ortiz, National Program Leader, [Carlos.Ortiz@usda.gov](mailto:Carlos.Ortiz@usda.gov), (816) 926-2700

**NOTES:** Click [here](#) to view the program’s Frequently Asked Questions.



## Farm Business Management and Benchmarking Competitive Grants Program

*Provides funds for improving the farm management knowledge and skills of agricultural producers by maintaining and expanding a national, publicly available farm financial management database to support improved farm management.*

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** The program will give priority to applicants that: (1) demonstrate an ability to work directly with agricultural producers; (2) collaborate with farm management, education programs and associations; (3) address the farm management needs of a variety of crops and regions of the United States; and (4) contribute data to support the national farm financial management database.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Tribal colleges and universities, tribal nations in collaboration with a research institution

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Open until April 8, 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$1.85 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$500,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 30 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 R&R Cover Sheet, SF 424 R&R Project/Performance Site Location(s), R&R Other Project Information Form. More information can be found on the Program’s RFA, located [here](#).

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** This program began in 2016 and to date no awards have gone to any tribal entity.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Brent Elrod, National Program Leader, [richard.elrod@usda.gov](mailto:richard.elrod@usda.gov); (816) 926-2535



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## Federally-Recognized Tribes Extension Program

*Funds Extension programs on Indian reservations and tribal jurisdictions that address the unique needs and problems of tribal nations.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects must fit into one of the program's priority areas, which include: Tribal youth and 4-H, Native farmer and rancher productivity and management, Native community development around economic and workforce enhancement, Indigenous food systems for food security, food safety and obesity reduction, natural resource conservation and bio-energy development, adaptation to climate change, and American Indian cultural and linguistic preservation.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Tribal colleges and universities with 1994, 1862, and 1890 Land-Grant Status

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed; Will Reopen in Spring 2021.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Four Fiscal Years

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$3.2 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$90,000 for Fiscal Year 2019

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF 242 Full Application Form, R&R Project/Performance Site Locations Form, R&R Other Project Information Form. View the Program's FY 2017 RFA [here](#) for more information.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2017, the University of Alaska-Fairbanks was awarded \$82,400 for their Promoting Health and Thriving Tribes in Remote Interior Alaska. This FRTEP program addresses youth development, food security and the reduction of childhood obesity.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Erin Riley, National Project Lead, [erin.riley@usda.gov](mailto:erin.riley@usda.gov), (816) 926-2131 (work), (202) 505-0361 (mobile)

**NOTES:** This program requires an MOU with the hosting tribal nation.

## Food and Agriculture Service Learning Program

*To improve the nutritional health of children and to increase the capacity for food, garden, and nutrition education within host organizations or school entities, while fostering higher levels of community engagement between local farms and schools.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Preference will be given to applicants who submit Food and Agriculture Service Learning Projects that: hold a proven track record in carrying out the purposes described in Part 1, B of the RFA; work in underserved rural and urban communities; teach and engage children in experiential learning about agriculture, gardening, nutrition, cooking, and where food comes from; and facilitate a connection between elementary schools and secondary schools and agricultural producers in the local and regional area.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Tribal colleges and universities

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; will reopen in Spring 2021.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$960,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$225,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 30 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** SF-424 Project Summary Form, Project Narrative, Business Plan, Logic Model, Data Management Plan, and Budget Narrative.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2017, the University of Alaska-Fairbanks was awarded \$82,400 for their Promoting Health and Thriving Tribes in Remote Interior Alaska. This FRTEP program addresses youth development, food security and the reduction of childhood obesity.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Lisa Jahns, National Program Leader, [Lisa.Jahns@usda.gov](mailto:Lisa.Jahns@usda.gov)

**NOTES:** Food and Agriculture Service Learning Projects are intended for eligible applicants to scale up or further develop existing farm to school initiatives and other food and agriculture experiential learning initiatives.



## New Beginnings for Tribal Students

*Supports land-grant colleges and universities to assist in supporting tribal students on their path to higher education.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** A land-grant college or university that receives this grant will use funds for, but not limited to, support of tribal students for articulation agreements with 1994 Land-Grant Institutions, dual credit programs, recruiting, tuition and related fees, experiential learning, and student services.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Tribal colleges and universities with Land-Grant Institution status

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Open until March 15, 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$5 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Varies by project type

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Yes, 100 percent of all federal funds must be met by cash or in-kind contributions.

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 30 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Data Management Plan, Potential for increasing Tribal students graduating with AA/BS or graduate degrees from a land-grant institution, Proposed Approach and Cooperative Linkages, Institutional Capability, Key Personnel, Budget and Cost-Effectiveness.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Erin Riley, National Project Lead, [erin.riley@usda.gov](mailto:erin.riley@usda.gov), (202) 505-0361

**NOTES:** Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for the NBTS Program can be found [here](#).



## Rural Health and Safety Education Program

*Promotes rural health and safety through national program leadership, funding for integrated research, education, and extension activities, and strategic partnerships and collaborations.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applications may be submitted by 1862 and 1890 Land-Grant colleges and universities that are eligible to receive funds under the Act of July 2, 1862 (7 U.S.C. 301 et seq.), and any of the Tribal colleges and universities designated as 1994 Land-Grant Institutions under the Educational Land-Grant Status Act of 1994, as amended.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Tribal colleges and universities (designated as 1994 Land-Grant Institutions)

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Open until April 21, 2021.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$4 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** : Up to \$350,000 for Fiscal Year 2021

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of grant funding, or a negotiated indirect cost rate agreement with the subagency.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Project Summary, 10-14 page Project Narrative, Management Plan, Budget Form, and Budget Narrative

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2019, the Mille Lac Band of Ojibwe, Lower Brule Sioux, Bois Forte Band of Chippewa, and Crow Creek Sioux Tribes partnered with the University of Minnesota to receive a \$324,841 grant to develop an interstate and intertribal response plan to the Opioid Crisis.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Brent Elrod, National Program Leader, [richard.elrod@usda.gov](mailto:richard.elrod@usda.gov), (816) 926-2535



## Tribal Colleges Research Grants Program

Helps 1994 Land-Grant Institutions become centers of scientific inquiry and learning for remote and rural reservation communities.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** There are four types of funding available: (1) Area of Expertise; (2) New Discovery, which supports sophisticated scientific inquiry that could be published in a peer-reviewed journal; (3) Facility/Community level grants, which allow the 1994 Land-Grant to respond directly to a concern of their reservation; and (4) Student Inquiry funding, which allows a tribal college student to build a research project and present the results under the guidance of a 1994 Land-Grant faculty member.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Tribal colleges and universities with 1994 Land Grant Institution status

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2021; Will Reopen in Fall 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every Fiscal Year

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$3.8 million for Fiscal Year 2021

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$500,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 30 percent of grant funding

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Interested parties must enter into a Cooperative Research Agreement with USDA-NIFA and must collaborate with an 1862, 1890, Agriculture Research Service, a Non-Land Grant College of Agriculture or a McEntire-Stennis School of Forestry.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2015, the United Tribes of Technical College received a grant to support a student-led project focused on habitat selection and distribution of bat species in North Dakota.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Erin Riley, National Project Lead, [erin.riley@usda.gov](mailto:erin.riley@usda.gov), (816) 926-2131 (work), (202) 505-0361 (mobile)



## Conservation Loan Program

Guarantees loans to promote conservation practices on farms and ranches that help protect natural resources throughout the United States.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** This program requires loan recipients to have a conservation plan approved by the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Services. Loans are available as guaranteed loans only through FSA approved lenders.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native Food Producers; Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** \$5,000 to \$1.75 million for Fiscal Year 2020

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** May not exceed 30 years, term range varies depending on the approved FSA lender

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** Varies depending on approved FSA lender

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [State or Local FSA Farm Loan Staff](#).

**NOTES:** Applicants with a debt-to-asset ratio of 40 percent or less, have a minimum FICO score of 700, and have a net worth of at least three times the loan amount can use a streamlined application process.



## Direct Farm Operating Loans

To provide an essential gateway into agricultural production by financing the cost of operating a farm or ranch.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Operating loans must be essential to the success of the farm operation and only for the following purposes: costs associated with reorganizing a farm to improve profitability, purchase of livestock or farm equipment, operation expenses, improvement or repairs to buildings, refinancing farm-related debt, land and water development, and loan closing.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** \$1,000 to \$400,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** One to seven years

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** No down payment requirement

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [State or Local FSA Farm Loan Staff](#).

**NOTES:** This loan program has a 1.35 percent interest rate for applicants.





## Farm Ownership Loans

Helps 1994 Land-Grant Institutions become centers of scientific inquiry and learning for remote and rural reservation communities.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** To assist farmers and ranchers become owner-operators of family farms, improve and expand current operations, increase agricultural productivity, and assist with land tenure to save farmland for future generations.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native food producers, Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** \$5,000 to \$600,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** 1 month to 20 years

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** Yes, five percent of the purchase price of the farm

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [State or Local FSA Farm Loan Staff](#).

**NOTES:** See FSA's Guidebook to Farm Loans for more information on farm ownership loan.



## Farm Storage Facility Loans

Provides low-interest financing so producers can build or upgrade facilities to store commodities.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Covered loan items include: acquiring, constructing, or upgrading new or used, portable or permanently affixed, on-farm storage and handling facilities; acquiring new or used storage and handling trucks; and acquiring portable or permanently affixed storage and handling equipment.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** \$1,000 to \$100,000 for storage and handling trucks; \$1,000 to \$500,000 for farm storage facilities

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** Three to 12 years

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** 15 percent down payment is required.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [State or Local FSA Farm Loan Staff](#).

**NOTES:** See the program's interest rates [here](#).



## Guaranteed Farm Operating Loans

To assist family farmers and ranchers obtain loans from USDA-approved commercial lenders at reasonable terms to buy farmland or finance agricultural production.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must meet [family farmer definition](#) set by the Farm Service Agency. These loans may be used to purchase livestock, farm equipment, feed, seed, fuel, farm chemicals, insurance, and other operating expenses.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** \$5,000 to \$1,776,000

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** To be negotiated between lender and the applicant; Operating loans are normally repaid within seven years.

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** To be negotiated between lender and the applicant.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [State or Local FSA Farm Loan Staff](#).

**NOTES:** View a list of current FSA guaranteed lenders by state [here](#).

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## Guaranteed Farm Ownership Loans

To assist family farmers and ranchers obtain loans from USDA-approved commercial lenders at reasonable terms to buy farmland or finance agricultural production.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants must meet the [family farmer definition](#) set by the Farm Service Agency. These loans may be used to purchase farmland, construct or repair buildings and other fixtures, develop farmland to promote soil and water conservation, or to refinance debt.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** \$5,000 to \$1,776,000

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** To be negotiated between the lender and applicant. Ownership loans cannot exceed 40 years.

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** To be negotiated between lender and the applicant.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [State or Local FSA Farm Loan Staff](#).

**NOTES:** View a list of current FSA guaranteed lenders by state [here](#).

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## Highly Fractionated Indian Land Loan Program

Assists tribal nations, tribal entities, and tribal citizens alleviate the programs caused by fractionated interests on tribal lands.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** All current loan recipients must meet the qualifications under FSA's approved intermediary lender, [Native American Community Development Corporation Financial Services, Inc.](#)

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native food producers, Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** \$5,000 to \$600,000 for Fiscal Year 2020

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** To be determined by the intermediary lender

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** To be determined by the intermediary lender

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Matt Harrington, Agriculture and Business Loans expert, [matt.nacdc@gmail.com](mailto:matt.nacdc@gmail.com), (406) 229-0327

**NOTES:** See the program's 2019 Fact Sheet [here](#).



## Indian Tribal Land Acquisition Loan Program

To help tribal nations become owners of additional property within the reservation to advance and increase current operations, provide financial prospects for tribal communities, increase agricultural productivity, and save farmland for future generations.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funds must be used to pay costs incidental to land acquisition, including, but not limited to, title clearance, legal services archeological or land surveys, and loan closing.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Tribal nations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** Varies depending on the intermediary lender

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** Varies depending on the intermediary lender

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** Varies depending on the intermediary lender

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [State or Local FSA Farm Loan Staff](#).

**NOTES:** See the program's 2019 Fact Sheet [here](#).



## Land Contract (LC) Guarantee Program

Provides a valuable tool to transfer farm real estate to the next generation of farmers and ranchers. FSA guarantees will be offered to the owner of a farm who wishes to sell real estate through a land contract to a beginning farmer/rancher or a farmer/rancher who is a member of a socially disadvantaged group.



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** The buyer must meet eligibility and feasibility requirements similar to those for the FSA Guaranteed and Direct Farm Ownership Loan Programs. Buyer must be the owner/operator of a family size farm at the time the land contract is signed.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** Cannot exceed \$500,000

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** 1 to 10 years maximum

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** Minimum down payment of five percent of the purchase price

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [State or Local FSA Farm Loan Staff](#).

**NOTES:** Buyer must also meet FSA's definition of a beginning farmer/rancher or could be classified as a member of a socially disadvantaged group.



## Microloans Program

To offer more flexible access to credit and serve as an attractive loan alternative for smaller farming operations, like specialty crop producers and operators of community supported agriculture (CSA).



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Priority will be given to small farm operators with at least three years of farm experience in the past 10 years.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** \$1,000 to \$50,000 for Fiscal Year 2019

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** Varies, but terms cannot exceed seven years

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** No down payment requirement

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [State or Local FSA Farm Loan Staff](#).

**NOTES:** See FSA's Guidebook to Farm Loans [here](#).



## Youth Loan Program

Funds individual young persons to start and operate income-producing projects of modest size in connection with their participation in 4-H clubs, FFA, a tribal youth group, or similar agricultural youth organization.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funds must be used only to pay expenses associated with an approved project: (1) buy livestock, seed, equipment, and supplies; (2) buy, rent, or repair needed tools and equipment; and (3) pay operating expenses for the project.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native food producers between the ages of 10 to 20 years old

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** Maximum loan amount of \$5,000

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** Varies from one to seven years, depending on the scope of the project

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** No down payment requirement

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Matt Harrington, Agriculture and Business Loans expert, [matt.nacdc@gmail.com](mailto:matt.nacdc@gmail.com), (406) 229-0327

**NOTES:** The program requires loan recipients to have a project advisor, see more information in the program's [Request for Youth Loan](#) application.



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## Business and Industry Loan Guarantee Program

Bolsters the availability to private credit by guaranteeing loans for rural businesses.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funds must be used for business development, land development, land and equipment purchases, debt refinancing and other business and industrial acquisition. Projects must take place in [eligible rural areas](#) with less than 50,000 residents.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** Varies depending on the USDA approved lender

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** One to 40 years

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** Varies depending on the USDA-approved lender

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [local or state USDA office](#).

**NOTES:** Projects may be funded in rural and urban areas



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## Community Facilities Direct Loan Program

*Provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funds must be used to purchase, construct, or improve essential community facilities in rural areas with less than 20,000 residents according to the latest [U.S. Census Data](#).

**ELIGIBILITY:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** Varies depending on state or local USDA Rural Development loan set-aside for that given fiscal year.

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** Varies depending on the useful life of a facility, or a maximum of 40 years, whichever is less.

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** No down payment requirement.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [State Rural Development office](#).

**NOTES:** See the Program's 2019 Fact Sheet [here](#).



## Community Facilities Guaranteed Loan Program

*Provides loan guarantees to eligible private lenders to help build essential community facilities in rural areas.*



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**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funds must be used to purchase, construct, or improve essential community facilities in rural areas with less than 20,000 residents according to the latest U.S. Census Data.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** Varies depending on state or local USDA Rural Development loan set-aside for that given fiscal year.

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** Varies depending on lender, or a maximum of 40 years.

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** No down payment requirement.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [local RD office](#).

**NOTES:** See the Program's 2019 Fact Sheet [here](#).



## Farm Labor Housing Direct Loans

Provides affordable Financing to develop housing for year-round migrant or seasonal domestic farm laborers.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Funds must be used for construction, improvement, repair and purchase of housing for domestic farm laborer.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations.

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** To be negotiated with your State USDA Rural Development office.

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** One to 33 years

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** To be determined by your State Rural Development Office.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:**

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**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your state or local office [here](#).

**NOTES:** A domestic farm laborer is defined as a person who receives a portion of his/her income from farm labor employment. This definition may include the immediate family members residing with the farmer.

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## Rural Energy for America Program: Renewable Energy Systems & Energy Efficiency Improvement Loans

Provides guaranteed loan financing to agricultural producers and rural small businesses to purchase or install renewable energy systems or make energy efficiency improvements.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Businesses must be in an area other than a city or town with a population of greater than 50,000 inhabitants. Agriculture producers may be in a rural or non-rural area. Check eligible business areas here.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations.

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** \$5,000 to \$25 million

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** Maximum term of seven years for capital loans; maximum term of 15 years for machinery and equipment; maximum term of 30 years for real estate

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** Negotiated between lender and borrower.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:**

Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your State Rural Development Energy Coordinator [here](#).

**NOTES:** See the program's Fact Sheet [here](#).



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## Akiptan: Youth Loan and Investment Program

*To innovate and change the paradigm of investments in Indian country agriculture and food systems.*

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Native Youth ages 10 to 20 interested in starting an agriculture operation.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling application window

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** Up to \$5,000.

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** Maximum term of seven years with an optional five-year investment period.

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2019, Tayla Thorstenson became the first ever Youth Loan and Investment Program recipient, which allowed her to start her own herd of cattle on her parent's ranch on the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe reservation.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Click [here](#) and scroll down to the bottom of the page.

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [info@akiptan.org](mailto:info@akiptan.org), (605) 964-8081

**NOTES:** If you are under the age of 18, a parent or guardian must consent to you getting the loan and will be required to co-sign the loan.



## Akiptan: General Loan and Investment Program

*To innovate and change the paradigm of investments in Indian Country agriculture and food system.*

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Native agriculture owners and operators over the age of 18.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling application window

**LOAN FUNDING RANGE:** Up to \$100,000

**LOAN TERM RANGE:** Maximum term of seven years with an optional five-year investment period.

**DOWN PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2018, Spring Alaska Schreiner (Valdez Native Tribe) received a loan for a greenhouse and a deer fence for her businesses, Sakari Farms and Sakari Botanicals.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Click [here](#) and scroll down to the bottom of the page.

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [info@akiptan.org](mailto:info@akiptan.org), (605) 964-8081

**NOTES:** The optional investment period resembles a loan with an interest-only repayment period. The smaller, interest-only payments allow for the operation to have upfront capacity growth and for profits to be reinvested back into the operation. This puts operations on a path to success and easy principal repayment after the interest-only payments.







## Bush Foundation: Bush Fellowship

*The Bush Fellowship is a recognition of fellow's extraordinary accomplishments and support for a fellow's potential. It is an investment in a fellow, so that the fellow can make a difference in the community.*



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** A combination of an extraordinary track record of success, a plan that reflects the ability to dream big about what is possible, and the skills and potential to bring the plan to life.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for 2020; will reopen in Summer 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** In 2019, the Bush Foundation invested over \$500,000 for payments to Native Bush fellows.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are not eligible for this program.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2018, Sean Sherman, "The Sioux Chef," was awarded a 24-month Bush Fellowship to research, create, cultivate, and share Indigenous food systems.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:**

Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**

[Fellowships@BushFoundation.org](mailto:Fellowships@BushFoundation.org), (651) 379-2249

**NOTES:** Must be a resident of Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and 24 years or older.



## Native American Agriculture Fund: Request for Applications Program

The charitable trust was created by the settlement of the landmark *Keepseagle v. Vilsack* class-action lawsuit. NAAF is the largest philanthropic organization devoted solely to serving the Native American farming and ranching community.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** The key areas of funding are: business assistance, agricultural education, technical support, and advocacy services to support Native farmers and ranchers.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2021; will reopen in Summer 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Up to \$14 million was made available for the 2020 RFA cycle.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** The maximum award size depends upon the type of project and institution for which funding is sought.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 15 percent of NAAF funding

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2019, the Flower Hill Institute, a Native community-directed non-profit, received funding to help develop the Indigneous Farmer and Rancher Association to serve Native producers by creating opportunities for the revitalization of traditional practices in concert with scientific knowledge, peer networking, and young farmer mentorship.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
[grants@NativeAmericanAgricultureFund.org](mailto:grants@NativeAmericanAgricultureFund.org),  
(479) 445-6226

**NOTES:** Click [here](#) for the 2020 RFA.



## Native American Agriculture Fund: Youth Request for Applications Program

The charitable trust was created by the settlement of the landmark *Keepseagle v. Vilsack* class-action lawsuit. NAAF is the largest philanthropic organization devoted solely to serving the Native American farming and ranching community.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects focused on engaging Native youth in agriculture.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for 2020; will reopen in 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Up to \$1 million was made available for the 2020 Youth RFA.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$50,000

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 15 percent of NAAF funding

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2019, the California Indian Museum and Cultural Center received a grant for its Tribal Youth Ambassadors to revitalize traditional food systems in Northern California through social enterprise 'Acorn Bites.'

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
[grants@NativeAmericanAgricultureFund.org](mailto:grants@NativeAmericanAgricultureFund.org),  
(479) 445-6226

**NOTES:** Click [here](#) for the 2020 Youth RFA Process





## Indian Land Tenure Foundation: Economic Opportunity Grant Program

The Foundation supports effective tools and provides resources that improve Indian use and control of reservation lands for the long-term benefit of their community. Projects help tribal communities prioritize land acquisition; understand and create opportunities for the productive use of Indian land; and develop mechanisms to expand direct owner management of their land.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects that promote education on Indian land ownership and management, increase cultural awareness of Indian land tenure, create economic opportunity on Indian-owned lands, and reform the legal and administrative systems that prevent Native people and tribal nations from owning and controlling their lands.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling application window

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Not applicable

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Dependent on the number identified in an Applicant’s Letter of Intent

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2017, the Rock Creek Buffalo Project on the Standing Rock reservation in South Dakota received this grant to help build fencing on the Shambo Ranch to hold at least 100 head of a growing buffalo herd.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [info@iltf.org](mailto:info@iltf.org), (651) 766-8999 (phone), (651) 766-0012 (fax)

**NOTES:** Applicants must submit an initial Letter of Intent to be considered for funding.



## Indian Land Tenure Foundation: Cultural Awareness Grant Program

ILTF supports cultural practices such as hunting, fishing, farming and harvesting wild foods. Maintaining strong cultural and spiritual ties to the land is necessary for preserving traditional practices and Native religious beliefs for future generations. In this way, the Foundation supports activities aimed at enhancing and maintaining cultural ties to the land.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** ILTF supports activities aimed at enhancing and maintaining cultural ties to the land.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling application window

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Not applicable

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Dependent on the number identified in an Applicant’s Letter of Intent.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** The Nez Perce tribe received a grant of \$30,000 for the development of a high school curriculum and field experiences for youth including the identification and collection of traditional foods and medicinal plants.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [info@iltf.org](mailto:info@iltf.org), (651) 766-8999 (phone), (651) 766-0012 (fax)

**NOTES:** Applicants must submit an initial Letter of Intent to be considered for funding.



## Indian Land Tenure Foundation: Education Grants Program

ILTF supports cultural practices such as hunting, fishing, farming and harvesting wild foods. Maintaining strong cultural and spiritual ties to the land is necessary for preserving traditional practices and Native religious beliefs for future generations. In this way, the Foundation supports activities aimed at enhancing and maintaining cultural ties to the land.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** ILTF's education focus primarily concerns land history and tenure through the Lessons of Our Land curriculum, and professional development for K-12 teachers using the curriculum.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling application window

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Not applicable

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Dependent on the number identified in an Applicant's Letter of Intent

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** The Koahnic Broadcast Corporation received \$25,000 to produce, "Our Sacred Spaces," a four-part series on sacred lands and resources that examines the issues vital to the cultural and legal aspects of Native land and land ownership.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
[info@iltf.org](mailto:info@iltf.org), (651) 766-8999 (phone),  
 (651) 766-0012 (fax)

**NOTES:** Applicants must submit an initial Letter of Intent to be considered for funding.



## Indian Land Tenure Foundation: Legal Reform Grant Program

ILTF supports cultural practices such as hunting, fishing, farming and harvesting wild foods. Maintaining strong cultural and spiritual ties to the land is necessary for preserving traditional practices and Native religious beliefs for future generations. In this way, the Foundation supports activities aimed at enhancing and maintaining cultural ties to the land.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects should be designed to advance ideas and policies granting Indian landowners and tribal nations greater control of their land assets.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling application window

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Not applicable

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Dependent on the number identified in an Applicant's Letter of Intent

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** The Yurok Tribe received \$50,000 to develop a tribal probate code and establish the Yurok Probate Court, allowing tribal heirs to probate non-trust and trust properties on the reservation.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
[info@iltf.org](mailto:info@iltf.org), (651) 766-8999 (phone),  
 (651) 766-0012 (fax)

**NOTES:** Applicants must submit an initial Letter of Intent to be considered for funding.





## America's Healthy Food Financing Initiative Reinvestment Fund: Targeted Small Grants Program

The charitable trust was created by the settlement of the landmark *Keepseagle v. Vilsack* class-action lawsuit. NAAF is the largest philanthropic organization devoted solely to serving the Native American farming and ranching community.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Innovative fresh food retail and food system enterprises that seek to improve access to healthy food in underserved areas.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for Fiscal Year 2020; will reopen in Spring 2021

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Up to \$3 million was made available for Fiscal Year 2020.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** \$20,000 to \$200,000.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 10 percent of total direct costs.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2019, REDCO Food Sovereignty Initiative received \$150,000 to pursue mobile retail market opportunities on the Rosebud Sioux reservation.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Click [here](#) and scroll to 'Stay Informed.'

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [help@investminginfood.com](mailto:help@investminginfood.com), (215) 574-5862

**NOTES:** View the 2020 RFA [here](#).



## Bush Foundation: Community Innovation Grants

Assists agricultural producers manage financial risk through diversification, marketing or natural resource conservation practices.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Ideas that will make the region of Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota more equitable in opportunities and outcomes.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling application window

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** In 2019, the Bush Foundation invested \$8.3 million dollars into tribal grants and Native fellows, investing at least 20 percent of foundation grants into Native communities and people.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** \$500 to \$200,000

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2014, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe received \$94,971 to address food insecurity and improve health and well-being by revitalizing knowledge of traditional food practices.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:** Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [CommunityInnovation@BushFoundation.org](mailto:CommunityInnovation@BushFoundation.org), (651) 379-2266



## Bush Foundation: Ecosystem Grants

The Bush Foundation works to inspire and support creative problem solving — within and across sectors — to make the region of Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota better for everyone. The Ecosystem grant program is designed to provide operating support to the programs and organizations that do the most to support the people doing this work.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Applicants that support organizations and leaders working to advance the goals of Bush’s focus areas: community innovation, leadership, community creativity, education, nation building, and/or social business ventures.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for 2020; will reopen in 2023

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Every three years

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** In 2019, the Bush Foundation invested \$8.3 million dollars into tribal grants and Native fellows, investing at least 20 percent of foundation grants into Native communities and people.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Up to \$300,000 over a three-year period

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2020, the Indian Land Tenure Foundation received \$310,000 for general operating support to help advance its charitable mission.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:**

Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**

[Ecosystem@BushFoundation.org](mailto:Ecosystem@BushFoundation.org), (651) 379-2218

**NOTES:** The annual grant amount is typically 25 percent of the organization’s expenses, up to \$100,000 per year. All Ecosystem grantees will receive an additional \$10,000 in capacity building funds to build or increase their skills to work across differences.



## Honor the Earth: Native Communities Grant Program

Create awareness of and support for Native environmental issues and to develop needed financial and political resources for the survival of sustainable tribal communities. Honor the Earth develops these resources by using music, the arts, the media, and Indigenous wisdom to ask people to recognize our joint dependency on the Earth and be a voice for those not heard.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Priority is given to grassroots, community-based organizations and groups with a lack of access to federal and/or tribal funding resources.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling application window

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** The board awards grants twice a year.

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** Not applicable

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** \$1,000 to \$5,000

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In Summer 2018, Covenant Pathways in New Mexico received a Native Communities Grant focused on food and agriculture to increase the “Healing the Soil” on Spirit Farm and continue outreach in the community in the form of classes, demonstrations, and garden tutorials.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:**

Subscribe [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**

[info@honorearth.org](mailto:info@honorearth.org), (218) 375-3200

**NOTES:** The Native Communities Grant Program changes its focus area every half year, focusing on a number of areas including food sovereignty.





## Notah Begay III Foundation

The Notah Begay III (NB3) Foundation is a national, award-winning Native-led nonprofit leading the way to improve Native American children's health. Each day, thousands of Native youth wake up facing significant health challenges and barriers to living full lives. The good news is that most are preventable and together we are changing this reality.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Notah Begay III NB3 funds organizations that address Native American children's health through strengthening community knowledge; community health assessments and planning; direct programming; and policy, systems, and environmental changes.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Annually

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** From 2014 to 2018, the foundation gave out \$4 million in donations through 117 grants to Native-led nonprofits and tribal nations in 15 states. Funding varies by year.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Not applicable

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** The STAR (Service To All Relations) School provides healthy food and nutrition education innovative practices to serve our Navajo youth. STAR School currently has a Farm to School initiative which includes students involved in raising healthy organic vegetables in school greenhouses and gardens as well as home economics classes for students that provide nutrition education and taste testing recipes using locally grown food.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
Emails listed [here](#), (505) 867-0775



## Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community Charitable Giving

A strong tradition of helping others, "wo' okiye" (helpfulness) has defined the Dakota people for generations. Honoring that tradition, the SMSC contributes to causes, organizations, and tribes across the region, state, and country. The SMSC is the largest philanthropic benefactor for Indian Country nationally, and one of the largest charitable givers in Minnesota.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Projects focused on health and wellness, language, culture, economic development, and education.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Applications are reviewed monthly.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Applications are reviewed monthly.

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** \$350 million has been awarded through 2019.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** \$1,000 to \$5 million.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** Recently, Sean Sherman, "The Sioux Chef," was awarded \$300,000 to develop a food lab to provide education and training about healthy Indigenous food, while building demand for a new food system based around hyper-local ingredients and Native food.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
[donations@shakopeedakota.org](mailto:donations@shakopeedakota.org), (952) 403-5550

**NOTES:** Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community Charitable Giving has temporarily ceased grants to assess its best path forward.





## San Manuel Band of Mission Indians Charitable Giving

Since ancient times, San Manuel have expressed ourselves through a culture of giving. Today, San Manuel is able to answer the call of Yawa' (Serrano word meaning "to act on one's beliefs") through partnerships with charitable organizations. San Manuel have drawn upon its history, knowledge, expertise and cultural values to direct its philanthropic giving in its local region, as well as to Native American causes nationwide.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Support is directed to organizations that provide services within the Giving Pillars: Inspiring the Future Through Education, Empowering Lives, Reinforcing Healthy and Resilient Communities, Preserving Cultural Traditions, and Empowering Indian Country

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Closed for 2020; applications will reopen for 2021 on February 1, 2021 and will remain open until April 30, 2021.

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** San Manuel has contributed some \$40 million to charities since 2001.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** For first-time applicants, San Manuel usually grants \$5,000 or less.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** Not applicable

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Indirect costs are generally not eligible for this program.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [charitablegiving@sanmanuel-nsn.gov](mailto:charitablegiving@sanmanuel-nsn.gov), (909) 864-8933



## First Nations Development Institute Grants

First Nations Development Institute recognizes that accessing healthy food is a challenge for many Native American children and families. Without access to healthy food, a nutritious diet and good health are out of reach. To increase access to healthy food, we support tribes and Native communities as they build sustainable food systems that improve health, strengthen food security and increase the control over Native agriculture and food systems.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Dependent on the grant.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling application window

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Rolling basis

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** From 1993 to 2020, FNDI awarded \$40.2 million to Native American projects and organizations.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Varies by program

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In March 2020, Ajo Center for Sustainable Agriculture received \$30,000 under the Native Agriculture and Food Systems Initiative. Click [here](#) for more examples.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [info@firstnations.org](mailto:info@firstnations.org), (303) 774-7836 (phone), (303) 774-7841 (fax)

**NOTES:** Grant opportunities are updated frequently on the FNDI website.





## W.K Kellogg Foundation

The W.K. Kellogg Foundation (WKKF), founded in 1930 as an independent, private foundation by breakfast cereal innovator and entrepreneur Will Keith Kellogg, is among the largest philanthropic foundations in the United States. Guided by the belief that all children should have an equal opportunity to thrive, WKKF works with communities to create conditions for vulnerable children so they can realize their full potential in school, work and life.



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** The W.K. Kellogg Foundation has three priority areas: thriving children, working families, and equitable communities.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling application window

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Annually

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** As of August 31, 2019 and 2018, the Foundation had conditional grants outstanding of \$93,331,550 and \$115,933,513 respectively.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Contact for questions.

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Up to 15 percent of total grant funding.

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2015, the First Nations Development Institute (FNDI) received \$2.95 million to extend FNDI's work in the area of Native agriculture and food systems for three years..

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
[conciergedesk@wkkf.org](mailto:conciergedesk@wkkf.org), (888) 606-5905

**NOTES:** Click [here](#) for the application questions helper document.

## Northwest Area Foundation

The Northwest Area Foundation, originally named the Lexington Foundation, was established in 1934. Minnesota businessman and philanthropist Louis W. Hill founded the organization to promote economic revitalization and improve the standard of living for the region's most vulnerable citizens.

**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** Impact within one or more of four funding portfolios: access to capital, work opportunity, enterprise development, and financial inclusion.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Quarterly

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Quarterly

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** During the second quarter of 2020, the Northwest Area Foundation approved 113 grants worth \$5,184,631.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Not applicable

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In the fourth quarter of 2019, Dream of Wild Health of Minneapolis received \$200,000 for two years to support its efforts to create and scale a promising Native food economy network of suppliers and consumers.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**SUBSCRIBE TO PROGRAM LISTSERV:**  
Subscribe [here](#) by selecting the 'Subscribe' button at the top right of the website.

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
Cody Stalker, [cstalker@nwaf.org](mailto:cstalker@nwaf.org), (651) 225-3888

**NOTES:** Proposals by invitation only. To make a connection with Northwest Area Foundation, sign up for the email list and follow 'Northwest Area Foundation' on Facebook and Twitter.





## Walmart.org: Strengthening Community, Healthier Foods for All

*Walmart.org seeks to eliminate food insecurity, find innovative and creative solutions to connect people around the world with healthier food options, all while promoting culturally relevant nutrition education.*



**FUNDING PRIORITY CRITERIA:** This program is focused on two areas: improving access and availability to healthier food and building individuals' confidence to select, prepare and serve healthier food.

**APPLICATION WINDOW:** Rolling application window

**FUNDING FREQUENCY:** Rolling basis

**TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING:** In 2010, Walmart.org committed \$2 billion in grants and in-kind food donations for the Healthier Foods for All initiative.

**PROGRAM AWARD RANGE:** Varies by application

**MATCH REQUIREMENT:** No matching requirement

**INDIRECT COST RATE:** Not applicable

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Letter of Inquiry, Request for Proposals

**EXAMPLE GRANTEE:** In 2018, Partnership with Native Americans received \$329,480 to improve access to and availability of healthier foods in Native communities.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Submit entry form at the bottom of page by clicking [here](#).

**NOTES:** Applicants must submit an initial letter of inquiry to be considered for funding.



## APHIS Tribal Relations Program

*To collaborate with tribal nations and communities on important projects through cooperative agreements, technical and emergency training, outreach activities, and consultations.*



**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):** The APHIS Tribal Relations staff offer technical assistance to tribal nations that may need assistance with veterinary services, plant protection and quarantine, wildlife services, animal care, and biotechnology regulatory services. Their technical expertise is in animal and plant health and responses to plant disease, pest outbreaks, and animal disease traceability

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** The APHIS Tribal Liaisons specialize in specific focus areas and are able to connect tribal communities with appropriate USDA and APHIS programs.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
Vivian Keller, Tribal Liaison for Legislative and Public Affairs, [Vivian.N.Keller@usda.gov](mailto:Vivian.N.Keller@usda.gov), (301) 851-4014



## Bureau of Indian Affairs: Branch of Forest Resources Planning

*To serve tribal nations and forestry field staff by providing technical expertise in forest inventory, data collection design and analysis, and the management planning process.*



**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):** Assists tribal nations and forestry staff with services, including: pre-inventory planning, field inventory design, sampling designs, inventory processing, harvest scheduling, growth and yield modeling, field inventory training, and records management.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** The BIA, in partnership with the Bureau of Land Management, is implementing the Tribal Biomass Demonstration Project to promote biomass energy production for federally-recognized tribal nations and Alaska Native corporations.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
Michael Benedict, Branch Chief,  
[Michael.Benedict@bia.gov](mailto:Michael.Benedict@bia.gov), (720) 484-3206



## Bureau of Indian Affairs: Farm and Ranch Planning

Provides technical assistance to Indian landowners, tribal governments, and land users to develop, update, and amend land use plans under the principles of sustained-yield management to ensure adequate resources will be available in the future.

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):** The Branch of Agriculture and Rangeland Development provides technical assistance for land management plan development, renewable resource planning, and offers training for tribal nations and individual Native landowners.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** See technical assistance focus areas above.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
Ira NewBreast, Division Chief of Natural Resources,  
[Ira.NewBreast@bia.gov](mailto:Ira.NewBreast@bia.gov), (505) 563-3013



## Bureau of Indian Affairs: Branch of Geospatial Support

Provides Geographic Information Systems (GIS) software, training, and system support for the management of natural resources on Indian lands, such as irrigation floodplain analysis, forest harvesting, wildland fire analysis, oil and gas management, and other economic analyses.

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):** Provides GIS technical assistance and support, trainings, workshops, and provides a free E-learning course.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** The Branch of Geospatial Support provides monthly GIS virtual trainings, and a general Support Help Desk for interested applicants to receive specific training sessions and access to the E-learning course.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
Geospatial Support Help Desk, [Geospatial@bia.gov](mailto:Geospatial@bia.gov),  
(877) 293-9494





## Bureau of Indian Affairs: Rangeland Improvements

*Provides technical assistance to tribal nations in preparing and designing land leveling, farm drainage, cropping patterns, crop varieties, application of irrigation water, farm pond specifications, wind and water erosion control recommendations, surveys for fencing, stock water engineering and design development, special measures for soil and water management necessary to prevent flooding, siltation and agricultural related pollutants, and agricultural pest control.*

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):** The Branch of Agriculture and Rangeland Development provides technical assistance for land management plan development, renewable resource planning, and offers training for tribal nations and individual Native landowners.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** See technical assistance focus areas above.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
Ira NewBreast, Division Chief of Natural Resources,  
[Ira.NewBreast@bia.gov](mailto:Ira.NewBreast@bia.gov), (505) 563-3013



## Bureau of Indian Affairs: Water Management, Planning, and Pre-Development Program

*Assists tribal nations and organizations in managing, conserving, and utilizing trust water resources.*

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):** The primary priority of these program funds is to provide the necessary technical research, studies and other information for Indian tribes to serve as informed and prudent managers of adjudicated, decreed or water otherwise appurtenant to tribal and an/or Indian trust lands, including public domain allotments.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** See technical assistance focus areas above.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
Mary Manydeeds, Water Resource Branch Chief,  
[Mary.Manydeeds@bia.gov](mailto:Mary.Manydeeds@bia.gov), (612) 725-4539





## Conservation Technical Assistance Program

*Provides land users with proven conservation technology and the delivery system needed to achieve the benefits of a healthy and productive landscape.*



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**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

Conservation Conservation planning, design, and implementation assistance for individuals, groups, and communities who make natural resource management decisions on private, tribal, and other non-federal lands.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** Design, layout, and evaluation of over 167 potential conservation practices; inventory evaluation of land, water, and animal resources; area-wide, community or watershed planning assistance; educational and informational workshops and tours highlighting local conservation efforts.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**

Contact your [local USDA Service Center](#) or your [local USDA NRCS Conservation District Office](#).



## Local Foods, Local Places Technical Assistance Program

*Supports locally led, community-driven efforts to protect air and water quality, preserve open space and farmland, boost economic opportunities for local farmers and businesses, improve access to healthy local food, and promote childhood wellness.*



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**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

Provides technical assistance to state and locally-led food initiatives as they start to develop their local food production capacity.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** In 2017, the Nez Perce Tribe received technical assistance to use its traditional food culture as a tool for community revitalization and reconnecting youth with elders through innovative intergenerational programs.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** [lflp@epa.gov](mailto:lflp@epa.gov)



## Natural Resources Conservation Service: Tribal Assistance Program

Provides conservation programs and technical services to American Indians, Alaska Natives, and tribal governments. Working with the Intertribal Agriculture Council (IAC) and Indian Nations Conservation Alliance (INCA), NRCS has assisted with the establishment of 33 Tribal Conservation Districts.



**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

Assists tribal nations and organizations looking to develop conservation plans and to expand their current conservation practices.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** In 2014, the Yakama Nation, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and NRCS cooperated to gather completed field collection data, complete quality control and assurance of field data, and conduct the workload for project completion, final correlation, and SSURGO certification of a soil survey project.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**

Barry Hamilton, National Tribal Relations Liaison Officer, [Barry.Hamilton@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:Barry.Hamilton@wdc.usda.gov), (202) 260-8540



## New Farmers Initiative

Features advice and guidance on everything a new farm business owner needs to know, from writing a business plan, to obtaining a loan to grow their business, to filing taxes as a new small business owner. By answering a series of questions about their operation, farmers can use the site's Discovery Tool to build a personalized set of recommendations of USDA programs and services that may meet their needs.



**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

Promoting access to land and capital for beginning farmers; providing financing agricultural business resources; connecting beginning and socially disadvantaged producers to USDA program resources via the program's Discovery Tool.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** Business plan development and addressing gaps in beginning farm operations; a personalized search tool that connects farmers to local, state, or federal USDA programs.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**

Contact your [State Beginning Farmer and Rancher Coordinator](#).



## Rural Cooperative Development Assistance Centers

*Focuses on providing technical assistance to entities that wish to organize cooperatives and to existing cooperative businesses. These centers are organized by state and regions.*

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

Technical assistance for Cooperative Building; Business Assessment Tools; Cooperative Assessment Tools; General Agriculture Business Development.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** Provides financial assistance opportunities for Rural Cooperative development; provides technical assistance to help establish a cooperative; TA services track, analyze, and publish

descriptions of federal and state cooperative laws to reduce business transaction costs.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** National Center for Rural and Tribal Cooperative Development, Debra Montgomery, [chiefexec@qwestoffice.net](mailto:chiefexec@qwestoffice.net)



## Special Evaluation Assistance for Rural Communities and Households (SEARCH)

*Helps small, financially distressed rural communities with pre-development feasibility studies, design, and technical assistance on proposed water and waste disposal projects.*

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

Technical assistance for small, rural communities to develop water and waste disposal projects.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** Feasibility studies to support applications for funding water or waste disposal projects, preliminary design and engineering analysis, and technical assistance for the development of an application for financial assistance.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [State USDA Rural Development Office](#)







## USDA Office of Tribal Relations

*Enables tribal nations, tribal governments, tribal organizations, and individuals to access programs and services within USDA and across federal agencies.*



**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

The Office of Tribal Relations facilitates USDA program outreach for tribal nations and organizations to access USDA funding and technical assistance programs. The Office also leads all of the Department’s consultations with tribal nations.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** The Office of Tribal Relations sends out a weekly USDA tribal news and funding opportunities broadcast.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
[Tribal.Relations@usda.gov](mailto:Tribal.Relations@usda.gov), (202) 205-2249.



## US Fish and Wildlife: Office of the Native American Liaison

*Identifies areas where both federal and tribal conservation efforts can most effectively conserve fish, wildlife, plants, and their habitats.*

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

The Office of Native American Liaisons develop and prepare natural resource contract agreements with tribal nations, coordinate tribal protect activities between the Department and tribal nations, and connect tribal nations with federal funding opportunities related to fish, wildlife, and water management.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** See technical assistance focus areas above.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**  
Scott Aikin, National Native American Programs Coordinator, [Scott\\_Aikin@fws.gov](mailto:Scott_Aikin@fws.gov), (360) 604-2531





## US Forest Service: Office of Tribal Relations

*To facilitate consistency and effectiveness in Forest Service program delivery to Tribes, and to institutionalize long-term consultative and collaborative relationships with tribal governments through new policy and direction.*



**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

The Office of Tribal Relations provides training and tools for tribal communities, collaborates with tribal communities through cooperative agreements to develop forestry and agriculture projects, and connects tribal nations with appropriate federal funding opportunities.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** In 2018, the Tulalip Tribes partnered with the U.S. Forest Service to produce a Huckleberry Enhancement Project. Read more about the project [here](#).

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Leisa Cook, Acting Director, [Leisa.Cook@usda.gov](mailto:Leisa.Cook@usda.gov), (541) 620-3450



## U.S. Small Business Administration: Office of Native American Affairs Technical Assistance Program

*Offers free technical assistance in helping firms with a wide spectrum of business disciplines such as marketing, strategic and operational planning, financial analysis, opportunity development and capture, contract management, and compliance.*



**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

Technical assistance, trainings, and peer mentoring programs for tribal enterprises and Native-owned small businesses.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** Provides training and workshops for entities seeking to expand their business capacity, develop a business plan, entrepreneurship mentoring and funding, and contract assistance. More specific examples can be found on the program website.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your [Regional Technical Assistance Provider](#)



## U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: Coastal Program

*To achieve voluntary habitat conservation by providing technical and financial assistance, in collaboration with partners, for the benefit of federal trust species.*

### **TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

Working with partners, locally-based staff provide technical assistance for habitat conservation design and planning, and financial assistance for habitat restoration and protection projects.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** The Great Lakes Regional Coastal Program is partnering with the Gun Lake Tribe of Pottawatomi Indians and the Michigan Department of

Natural Resources to develop a habitat restoration project for lake sturgeon in the Kalamazoo River.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

### **PROGRAM CONTACT:**

Samantha Brooke, Program Team Lead,  
[samantha\\_brooke@fws.gov](mailto:samantha_brooke@fws.gov), 202-358-1829



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## Akiptan: Technical Assistance Program

Assists tribal nations and organizations with technical support for agriculture management, and provides financial literacy training to create a knowledgeable loan borrower.

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

Akiptan provides technical assistance and financial training for tribal communities looking to get loans for their agriculture business.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Individual Native food producers; tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** Not applicable

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**

[info@akiptan.org](mailto:info@akiptan.org), (605) 964-8081



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## America's Health Food Financing Initiative: Technical Assistance Program

Provides technical assistance services to eligible organizations that are planning a food retail or enterprise project that aligns with the goals of America's Healthy Food Financing Initiative.

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):**

Technical assistance for eligible organizations seeking to start or expand their food retail or enterprise projects.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** In 2019, Apsaalooke Abundance received technical assistance as a food sovereignty work group based on the Crow Reservation in Southeast Montana that is working to complete a community-based food assessment and exploring opportunities to improve food access.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:**

[Help@investinginfood.com](mailto:Help@investinginfood.com), (215) 574-5862



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## Great Lakes Inter–Tribal Council’s Small Business Technical Assistance Program (SBTAP)

*To provide small business training and technical assistance to facilitate Native small business startup and to create and retain jobs through Native small business development and to support Native Americans in becoming more economically independent and financially secure.*



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### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):

Develop a business plan or expansion plan, training and workshops on financial literacy and loan programs, certification courses for small business ownership and more.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** Not applicable

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

### PROGRAM CONTACT:

Carolyn LaVake, Program Director,  
[clavake@glitc.org](mailto:clavake@glitc.org), (715) 588-1060.



## Intertribal Agriculture Council: American Indian Foods Program

*Offers a variety of programs and services to assist Native American and Alaskan Native agribusiness owners and entrepreneurs seeking new markets or export expansion.*



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### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):

Export goods program, domestic market opportunities for tribal agribusinesses, marketing education, American Indian trademark certification, and more.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** With funding from the USDA Market Access Program, the Naknek Family Fisheries project, an Alaska Native enterprise, promoted their products at the Brussels Seafood Show in 2018.

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Latashia Redhouse,  
Program Director, [latashia@indianag.org](mailto:latashia@indianag.org)



## Intertribal Agriculture Council: Technical Assistance Program and Centers

*Established in order to increase access and use of USDA programs and services by Indian producers and Tribal Nations*

### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):

Technical assistance specifically for individual Native producers and tribal entities seek to start or expand their agriculture practices; connect to USDA programs and contacts.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Individual Native food producers; tribal nations, tribal organizations, tribal colleges and universities

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** Support with capacity building, project planning, grant writing assistance, survey assistance, and third-party connecting to USDA program staff.

**PROGRAM WEBSITE:** Click [here](#).

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Contact your regional or National Technical Assistance Specialist [here](#).



## First Nations Development Institute: Nourishing Native Foods & Health Program

*Provides agriculture and food system assistance through technical support and training materials*

### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):

Indian agriculture curriculum; agribusiness webinar series; technical assistance to tribal entities looking to apply for USDA programs and more.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** In 2018, First Nations released their Business of Indian Agriculture education curriculum to help farmers and ranchers succeed in managing their businesses. The curriculum covers useful topics like how to develop a business plan, how to set up bookkeeping systems, and local marketing strategies.

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** A-dae Romero-Briones, Director of Programs – Native Agriculture and Food Systems, [abriones@firstnations.org](mailto:abriones@firstnations.org)





## First Nations Development Institute: Stewarding Native Lands Program

To provide financial and technical assistance to support Native ecological stewardship and improve Native control of and access to ancestral lands and resources to ensure the sustainable, economic, spiritual and cultural well-being of Native communities.



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### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):

Ecological stewardship projects, educational webinars, community forest and open space conservation program, funding informational webinars, and other ecological stewardship resources.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** First Nation's Native Lands Stewardship Webinar Series aims to support sustainable and innovative stewardship approaches on tribal lands in the Northern Great Plains region.

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Jackie Francke, Vice President of Programs and Administration, [jfrancke@firstnations.org](mailto:jfrancke@firstnations.org), (505) 312-8614



## Indigenous Food and Agriculture Initiative

Offers educational resources, policy research, and strategic legal analysis as a foundation for building robust food economies.



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### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREA(S):

Tribal Agribusiness and Legal Webinars; Educational Trainings; Legal Research and Policy Analysis, and other resources.

**POPULATIONS SERVICED:** Individual Native food producers, tribal nations, tribal organizations

**ASSISTANCE EXAMPLE:** With support from the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community and its Seeds of Native Health Campaign, the Indigenous Food and Agriculture Initiative coordinated and developed the Model Tribal Food and Agriculture Code, which provides a comprehensive set of model laws for review, adoption, and implementation.

**PROGRAM CONTACT:** Erin Parker, Director, [esparker@uark.edu](mailto:esparker@uark.edu), (479) 575-6572

## Federal Agency Resources

### **NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH):**

[New Mexico Tribal Farming Toolkit](#) (2016)  
Toolkit

### **USDA AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE:**

[Local Food Directories: National Farmers Market Directory](#)  
Online Resource Directory

### **USDA NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE**

[2017 Ag Census Subject Series: American Indian Reservations](#) (2019)  
Data Resource

### **USDA FARM SERVICE AGENCY**

[Growing Opportunity: A Guide to USDA Sustainable Farming Programs](#) (2017)  
Resource Guide

### **USDA FARM SERVICE AGENCY**

[Your Guide to FSA Farm Loans](#)  
Guidebook

### **USDA FOREST SERVICE**

[Start a Partnership with the USDA Forest Service or Obtain Federal Financial Assistance: A Guide for Tribal Governments](#) (2015)  
Resource Guide

### **USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

[Sustainable Management Tools](#)  
Guidebook and Curriculum for Small and Rural Farms

### **USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

[Rural Development Programs for Tribes, Tribal Families, Children, and Communities](#) (2019)  
Guidebook

### **USDA**

[Tribal Youth Resource Guide](#) (2018)  
Resource Guide

### **USDA**

[Resource Guide for American Indians and Alaska Natives](#) (2016)  
Resource Guide

### **USDA**

[Disaster Reference Guide for Farmers, Ranchers, and Communities](#) (2020)  
Resource Directory

### **USDA**

[COVID-19 Federal Rural Resource Guide](#) (2020)  
Resource Guide

### **U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE**

[Guide to the 2018 Farm Bill Conservation Programs](#) (2020)  
Conservation Guidebook



## Foundations and Other Organizations Resources

### FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

[Community Tiered Approach to Conservation Planning: Strengthening Capacity of Native Producers & Communities](#) (2020)

Publication

### FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

[Conservation Planning Tools and Resources: A Reference for Agricultural Producers](#) (2018)

Resource Guide

### FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

[FDPIR Nutrition Education Toolkit](#) (2018)

Toolkit and Nutrition Guide

### FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

[Food Sovereignty Assessments: A Tool to Grow Healthy Native Communities](#) (2018)

Assessment Tool

### FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

[Food Sovereignty: Policy Considerations for California Native Communities](#) (2019)

Policy Report

### FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

[Indigenous Food Systems: Transformative Strategies to Perpetuate Nationhood](#) (2018)

Publication

### FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

[Native Farm-to-School Resource Guide](#) (2018)

Resource Guide

### FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

[Reviving Economies, Restoring Food Systems: Models of Food Enterprises in Indian Country](#) (2018)

Publication

### FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

[The Business of Indian Agriculture](#) (2018)

Education Curriculum

### INDIAN LAND TENURE FOUNDATION

[Indian Land Capital Company](#) (2005)

Online Resource

### INDIAN LAND TENURE FOUNDATION

[Indian Will in a Box](#)

Online Resource

### INDIAN LAND TENURE FOUNDATION

[National Indian Carbon Coalition](#) (2017)

Online Resource

### INDIAN LAND TENURE FOUNDATION

[Native Indian Land Information System](#) (2019)

Online Resource

### INDIGENOUS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE INITIATIVE

[Cultivating Tribal Food Sovereignty Series](#) (2020)

Webinars, Trainings, and Presentations

### INDIGENOUS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE INITIATIVE

[Food Safety Resource Library](#)

Online Resource

### INDIGENOUS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE INITIATIVE

[Indian Country Community Asset Directory: Food, Agriculture and Healthy Equity Innovations](#) (2020)

Asset Directory

### INDIGENOUS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE INITIATIVE

[The 2018 Farm Bill and the Legal Landscape for Industrial Hemp Production in Indian Country](#) (2019)

Legal Analysis

### INDIGENOUS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE INITIATIVE

[The Model Tribal Food and Agriculture Code](#)

Online Resource

### INTERTRIBAL AGRICULTURE COUNCIL

[American Indian Producer Directory](#)

Online Directory

### INTERTRIBAL AGRICULTURE COUNCIL

[Resiliency Through Agriculture: E-Learning Platform](#) (2020)

Learning and Network Platform

### INTERTRIBAL AGRICULTURE COUNCIL

[Youtube Training Channel](#)

Educational Webinars

### NATIVE AMERICAN AGRICULTURE FUND

[Reimagining Native Food Economies](#) (2020)

Native Food and Agriculture Infrastructure Report

### NATIVE FARM BILL COALITION

[Native Farm Bill Coalition COVID-19 Crisis Policy Response](#) (2020)

COVID-19 Policy Report

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## Other Useful TFSAI Resources

In addition to this resource directory, NCAI's Tribal Food Sovereignty Advancement Initiative is developing other useful resources on food sovereignty, food security, and food production for tribal nations, organizations, and individual Native food producers:

### *Policy Brief on the Farm Bill*

In December 2020, TFSAI and its organizational partners released a policy brief on the Farm Bill. This concise brief: (1) provides an initial assessment of the state of implementation of the tribal provisions contained in the 2018 Farm Bill, (2) shares Indian Country's policy recommendations for Congress and the Administration about how to strengthen the implementation of those provisions, and (3) sets forth Indian Country's policy priorities for the 2023 Farm Bill. To read the brief, click [here](#).

### *Tribal Innovation Case Studies*

In 2019, TFSAI released a case study of the Yurok Tribe, the first in a set of five case studies documenting leading tribal approaches to food sovereignty. Over the next three months, TFSAI will release its case studies of the Blackfeet Nation, Oneida Nation of Wisconsin, Osage Nation, and San Carlos Apache Tribe.

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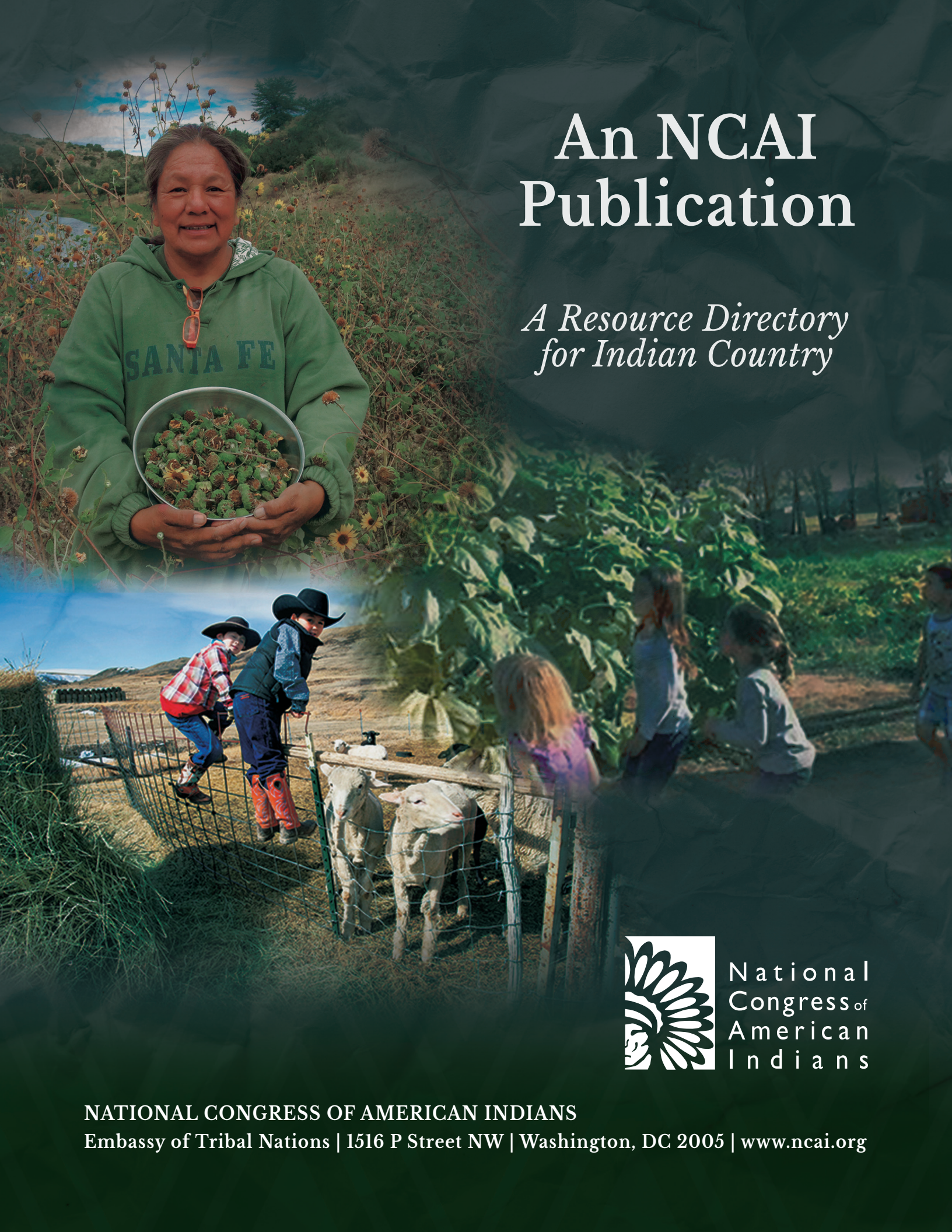
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