2018 STAGE TWO APPLICATION
Q&A SESSION

Monday, April 23, 2018
WEBINAR MANAGEMENT

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Our Mission... to strengthen American Indian economies to support healthy Native communities. We invest in and create innovative institutions and models that strengthen asset control and support economic development for American Indian people and their communities.
Our Approach

First Nations has always been exclusively committed to Native control of tribal assets and to restore control and promote culturally-compatible stewardship of those assets.

Asset-Building Defined

A positive and collaborative approach, asset-building focuses on cultivating traditional knowledge and practices, and creating new ones to build Native capacities, capabilities and communities.

Why Asset-Building Works

Native nations are uniquely knowledgeable about their own communities. They know the strengths, challenges and needs of their communities better than outside agencies. It strengthens the effectiveness of Native nations to create solutions to their own challenges and allows them to best leverage their resources on their own terms. In brief, in the long term it works because it helps protect and enhance tribal sovereignty.

Assets in Native Communities

- Natural Resources
- Social Capital
- Human Capital
- Political Assets
- Physical Assets
- Languages
- Cultural & Artistic Heritage
Our Strategies
How Change Happens

Our strategies are designed to support the entire ecosystem of transformative change in Native communities and build a network of grantee partners that ultimately leads to asset-building in Native communities.
**Our Core Programs**

1. **Achieving Native Financial Empowerment**
   Native financial & investor education, consumer protection & financial fraud education, combating predatory lending, and research.

2. **Nourishing Native Foods & Health**
   Native food systems, food security, health and nutrition, and food sovereignty efforts.

3. **Advancing Household & Community Asset-Building Strategies**

4. **Investing in Native Youth**
   Native Youth & Culture Fund, college scholarship/internship programs, and youth-oriented financial education, among other programs.

5. **Strengthening Tribal & Community Institutions**
   Nonprofit & tribal capacity-building activities including the Urban Native Project, Native Arts Capacity Building Initiative, and coalition-building work, among other programs.

**First Nations Development Institute**
1980 Founding Year

2200+ Youth Served in 2017

1,412 Grants

$29.8 Million

Our Impact

First Nations Development Institute
NATIVE YOUTH AND CULTURE FUND

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2018 NYCF GRANT

GRANT CEILING: $20,000

Grant Term:
June 1, 2018 - May 31, 2019

Stage 2 Application Due:
May 4, 2018
No later than 5 p.m. MT

Notifications via Email:
By May 31, 2018
GRANT REQUIREMENTS

ORGANIZATIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE & TRAVEL
$1,000 minimum must be included within the proposed budget for FNDI's LEAD Conference September 26 and 27, 2018

ORIENTATION WEBINAR
Wednesday, June 6, 2018
OR
Thursday, June 14, 2018

REPORTING
Progress Report - midway through grant period
Final Report - 30 days after end of grant period

FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE
SELECTION CRITERIA

Form partnerships and/or engage broad community participation and support

Demonstrate the ability, and/or experience necessary to accomplish the project

Demonstrate innovative and comprehensive activities

Have a clear plan of action, specific goals and objectives, and a process to periodically assess, document and disseminate progress and lessons learned

Have potential for application and replication in other Native communities

Are feasible, cost-effective and sustainable

Have a clear focus on building healthier communities through preserving, strengthening or renewing Native culture and cultural traditions among youth
SELECTION CRITERIA

A CLEAR PLAN OF ACTION

SPECIFIC GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

A PROCESS TO DOCUMENT & ASSESS PROGRESS AND LESSONS LEARNED
STAGE 2 PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

- A description of the project purpose, descriptions of community and youth involvement, and an explanation of who will be served

- Full narrative proposal that describes how goals and objectives will be achieved and how the project activities will benefit tribal youth

- Detailed evaluation plan for your project, including identification of data to be collected, method of data collection, who will collect the data and how the data and any analysis will be utilized to improve or guide the project
WHOM DOES THE PROJECT SERVE?

- Why do the recipients need the funds?
- What specific conditions would you like to change?
- Include demographics and other identifying information.
- Include both qualitative and quantitative data, statistics, and anecdotes that tell the story of your organization’s work and who your serve.

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YOUTH AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Describe the strategies you have taken or will take to ensure your target audience is able to participate.

Describe how you will be actively involved in the project not just served by it.

Describe the partnerships and collaborations in your community that contribute to your organization’s work. How do these partnerships help you serve Native youth?
1. How your goals and objectives will be achieved;
2. How the project activities will benefit Native youth in your community;
3. What roles your staff will take to implement your activities; and
4. Why it is important for this project to be implemented now and why it fits within the broader goals of the Native Youth and Culture Fund.
OBJECTIVES

S - Specific: What, exactly, in detail, do you want to achieve?

M - Measurable: How will you know when you’ve reached your goal? Quantify it!

A - Achievable: What resources are needed – do you have them (including time)?

R - Realistic and Relevant – What’s the outcome – the change – you’re expecting?

T - Timed – Break it into steps. When will each step be completed?

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OBJECTIVES

Keep it simple: By (when), (who), will do (what)

Example 1: By July 31, 2017, 30 youth will have participated in three workshops on farming and harvesting traditional rice for community consumption.

Tip: Your dates must be varied so progress and activities can be measured!
REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS - STAGE 2

Budget
An estimated budget for the proposed project with a detailed cost breakdown that is reasonable and directly related to proposed grant activities and **includes a travel line item of at least $1,000 for one team member from each selected grantee organization to attend the 2018 L.E.A.D. Institute** to be held in September 2018. This form must be uploaded as an Excel file.

Timeline
A detailed project timeline that documents important project activities for each identified objective. Include staff who will be responsible for the implementation of the project activities and when they will be completed. The form provided is in Excel format and it must be uploaded as an Excel file or PDF file.
TIPS FOR FILLING OUT THE ONLINE APPLICATION

01 Prepare your answers in a Word document and copy and paste your answers into the online application system.

02 Make sure you follow the format of each section and do your best to answer every question.

03 Always tie your answers to the Native Youth and Culture Fund Priorities.

04 Submit all required attachments.
TIPS FOR FILLING OUT THE ONLINE APPLICATION

05 Be sure to **save your work** in the online system often!!!!!!!!
IMPORTANT NOTE!

Please allow yourself enough time to submit a complete application before the deadline, as **the system will shut down automatically at 5:00 p.m. Mountain Time on Friday, May 4, 2018**, and no data may be entered thereafter. We do not accept partial, faxed, emailed or mailed applications. Applications that are not received on time due to user error will not be considered.
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