



FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

Native Agriculture & Food Systems Initiative

A Program of First Nations Development Institute



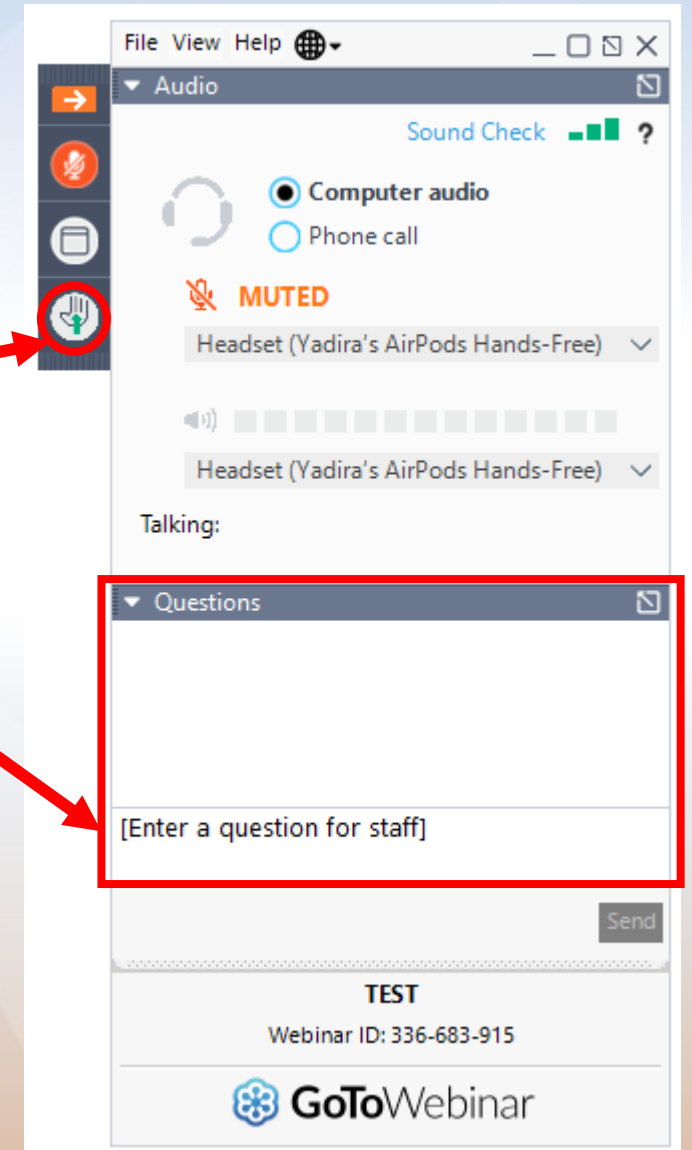
GATHER Food Sovereignty Grantee Orientation

Thursday, March 17, 2022

Thank you for joining us. The webinar will begin shortly.

Webinar Format

- All participants will be muted during the webinar
- If you have questions during the webinar, please “raise your hand” using the hand button
- or enter your question(s) in the Question box.



Our Mission

First Nations Development Institute invests in and creates innovative institutions and models that strengthen asset control and support economic development for American Indian people and their communities.





DIRECT FINANCIAL SUPPORT
through GRANTMAKING



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE & TRAINING



MOVEMENT-BUILDING



POLICY & RESEARCH



ADVOCACY

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 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



NAFSI's Strategy



First Nations Project Team



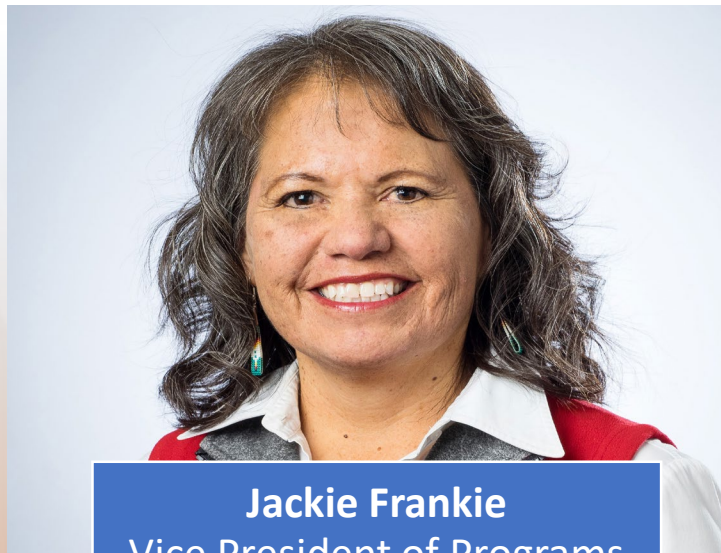
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Welcome 2022 Grantees!

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Tribe</u>
Bois Forte Food Sovereignty & Sustainable Agriculture Group	Tower, MN	Minnesota Chippewa Tribe
Infinite Reach	Mililani, HI	Native Hawaiian
Learning Center At The Euchee Butterfly Farm Inc	Leonard, OK	Muscogee (Creek) Nation
Red Willow Center	Taos, NM	Pueblo of Taos
Texas Tribal Buffalo Project	Waelder, TX	Other
Ttawaxt Birth Justice Center	Selah, WA	International
Ute Mountain Ute Environmental Programs Department	Towaoc, CO	Ute Mountain Ute Tribe

GATHER Food Sovereignty Financial Assistance

Grants Funded

- 7 Grants Awarded, averaging \$32,000
- Total amount awarded is \$224,000

Grant Term:

- March 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023

Disbursement Schedule:

- Issued upon receipt of grant agreement and webinar participation
- Remaining disbursements following receipt of a verbal progress and final report including a budget expenditure report showing how funds were spent.
- Please email grant agreement to egallegos@firstnations.org

Reporting Requirements

Including project narrative and financial status report, and copies of any policies, publications, media, or other tangible documentation produced from the proceeds of this grant.

Progress Report: Verbal

- Budget expenditure reporting will be done online through our grantmaking portal.
- **Due Date: September 1, 2023**

Final Report: Verbal

- Budget expenditure reporting will be done online through our grantmaking portal.
- **Due Date: March 15, 2023**

Please see your grant agreement for your specific dates.

Getting Started

Application Revisions

- If you have received a grant that provides lower funds than you anticipated for in your application, you will need to adjust your objectives, budget, and timeline to make up for the difference in funds. Please reach out to me as soon as possible if you have any questions. Application revisions must be approved before your grant agreement can be sent.

Grant Agreements

- Return to First Nations as soon as possible. Your First disbursement is dependent on receipt of your grant agreement. Please scan and return your signed and initialed grant agreement to egallegos@firstnations.org within four weeks of receipt. One original signed copy by First Nations will be returned for your records. Mailed copies are acceptable.

Orientation Webinars

- Participate in one of the orientation webinars.

Reporting

- You will have two reports: one progress report due September 1, 2022, and one final report due 30 days after your grant ends (March 15, 2023).

Getting Started Summary

Due Date	Item	Where/(to) Whom to Submit:	Instructions
March 17, 2022	Orientation Webinar	Teleconference	Attend this orientation webinar
ASAP	Submit application edits if applicable	Program Officer (Ethan Gallegos)	Please send an updated budget, objectives, and timeline for your new grant amount. I am happy to schedule a call to work through what this might look like.
ASAP	Grant Agreement	First Nations Attn: Ethan Gallegos	Send a scan <u>or</u> mail back 2 copies with original signatures & initials
September 1, 2022	Progress Report / Budget Expenditure	Zoom/ First Nations Application Portal	Submit a verbal progress report as outlined in accompanying email and grant agreement
March 15, 2023	Final Report / Budget Expenditure	Zoom/ First Nations Application Portal	Submit a final verbal report as outlined in accompanying email and grant agreement

Publicizing Your Project

- **Announce Your Grant**

- Grantees are required to share the news of their award through various media outlets.
- We request that NAFSI grantees note that this project is funded by First Nations Development Institute.
- Announcement **due on or before March 15, 2023.**

- **Methods of Communication**

- A press-release, letter, story, or article
- videotape or documentary
- photograph or story boards
- Social Media announcement

- **Opportunity to Publish a Featured Story in Our E-newsletter “This Week at First Nations”.**

- Submit a separate well-written feature article of between 500 and 1,500 words that describe your project, its purpose and its successful completion. Utilize quotes or experiences from various project participants, and include relevant photographs or graphics.
(Optional)



The screenshot shows the top of an e-newsletter titled "THIS WEEK @ FIRST NATIONS" with the First Nations Development Institute logo. Below the title is a blue banner that says "GRANT OPPORTUNITIES". The first featured article is titled "Deadline August 17: Food Pantry Initiative" and includes a small photo of a food pantry. The text describes a food insecurity issue and mentions support from American Express. The second article is titled "Deadline August 19: Native Youth and Culture Fund" and includes a small graphic of a Native American figure. The text indicates that proposals are being accepted for programs that focus on youth.



Grant Modifications

Program

If you need an extension for your project.

If you have changes to the timeline of an objectives.

If you have revisions to an objective.

Budget

If you have changes that exceed 10% of the grant.

Send an email request modification to your Program Officer within the grant period.



Grant Budget

Best Practices

- Track your spending monthly.
- All approved expenses must be spent within the grant period.
- Plan to a 90-day countdown and review the budget with your team.
- Report on your budget to actual expensing using your approved budget and the excel template with the final report.

Tribe/Organization Name			
Grant Title - Date			
Project Name:			
Budget Item Name	Budget Under FNDI Grant	Funding From Other Sources	Total Budget
SALARIES/PERSONNEL			
			\$0
			\$0
			\$0
			\$0
Total salaries	\$0	\$0	\$0
BENEFITSFRINGE			
			\$0
			\$0
			\$0
Total benefits	\$0	\$0	\$0
TRAVEL			
			\$0
			\$0
			\$0
Total travel	\$0	\$0	\$0
SUPPLIES			
			\$0
			\$0
			\$0
			\$0
Total supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0
EQUIPMENT			
			\$0
			\$0
			\$0
Total equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0
MEETING EXPENSES			
			\$0
			\$0
			\$0
Total meeting expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0
OTHER			
			\$0
			\$0
			\$0
Total other	\$0	\$0	\$0
SUBTOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ADMIN COSTS/OVERHEAD			
			\$0
			\$0
			\$0
Total overhead	\$0	\$0	\$0
GRAND TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -





Portal run-through

When To Contact First Nations

- If you have staff turnover – especially project coordinator.
- If you don't receive your check within 30 days.
- If you are having problems meeting your objectives.
- If you are having issues with your interview or reporting.
- If you are having financial issues.
- If you have to revise your budget and objectives.
- If you want to share good news or progress!



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Questions

This webinar will be recorded and can be accessed on our website under the First Nations Knowledge Center at <https://www.firstnations.org/webinars/grantee-orientation-webinars/>

