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# Welcome 2021 Grantees!

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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.
First Nations Development Institute: 40 Years of Service

• In 1980, First Nations Financial Project was founded in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Funded by a $25,000 grant from the Ford Foundation, the project – renamed First Nations Development Institute in 1991 – became the first nonprofit social enterprise exclusively committed to Native control of tribal assets.

• In 2020, we celebrate the 40th anniversary of First Nations and the progress made through this initial project that has grown into a leading Native-led nonprofit in service of strengthening Native economies and communities.
Our Core Programs

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

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

Advancing Household & Community Asset-Building Strategies

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

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.
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.
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.
NAFSI’s Strategy

Native Food Sovereignty

**Health**
Increasing access to locally produced healthy foods will reduce diet-related diseases and improve the health of Native peoples.

**Culture**
Native communities create policies and programs aimed at Native food-system control and build strong Native institutions and governance capacity.

**Economic Development**
The development and cultivation of food markets and businesses foster the entrepreneurial spirit of Native peoples that leads to economic development.

**Native Nationhood**
Traditional agriculture practices revitalize ceremonies of planting seasons, build the social bonds of the production process and strengthen the relationship of Native peoples to the land that sustains us.
GATHER Food Sovereignty Financial Assistance

Grants Funded

• 28 Grants Awarded, averaging $31,586.69
• Total amount awarded is $852,841.56

Grant Term:

• March 1, 2021 – February 28, 2022*

Disbursement Schedule:

• Issued upon receipt of grant agreement and webinar participation
• Remaining disbursements following receipt of progress and final report.
• Please email grant agreement to rlapine@firstnations.org
• It is First Nations’ policy to work collaboratively with grantees to further define and develop strategies that increase Native control of Native assets.
• First Nations has additional funding for technical assistance and training. We encourage all grantees to
• If you have specific training needs in mind, or if you would like to discuss some possibilities, please email me so that we can set up a call.
• If you are unsure of what technical assistance may be helpful, we have an organizational capacity assessment that we can utilize to best pinpoint potential technical assistance.
• Please note that T.A. is optional and is not required within the grant.
# 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.

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*: These dates will vary if your grant period is different from the standard 3/1/21-2/28/22. Please see your grant agreement for your specific dates.
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.

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 rlapine@firstnations.org within four weeks of receipt. One original signed copy by First Nations will be returned for your records. Mailed copies are acceptable.

Participate in one of the orientation webinars.

You will have two reports: one progress report due September 15, 2021, and one final report due 30 days after your grant ends (March 30, 2022).
## Getting Started Summary

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<td>Submit application edits if applicable</td>
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Publicizing Your Project:

• First Nations requires grantees to make announcements of grants through various media outlets and request that NAFSI grantees note that this project is funded by First Nations Development Institute. If you want more information about First Nations, please contact us.

• An acknowledgement of the funded program/project documenting its impact on your community to include one or more of the following:
  • A letter; videotape or documentary; a story or article; photograph or story boards, will be due on or before March 30, 2022.
  • Additionally, although not required beyond the above-mentioned items, First Nations invites your organization to submit a separate well-written feature article of between 500 and 1,500 words, along with relevant photographs or graphics, to possibly be used in First Nations’ electronic newsletter. The feature story should describe the project, its purpose and its successful completion, and utilize quotes or experiences from various project participants.
When Should You Contact First Nations?

• If you have staff turnover – especially if it is the project coordinator.
• If you don’t receive your check within 30 days.
• If you are having problems meeting your objectives.
• If you are having financial issues.
• If you have to revise your budget and objectives.
• If you want to share good news or progress!
Questions

This webinar will be recorded and can be accessed on our website under the First Nations Knowledge Center at:

https://www.firstnations.org/knowledge-center/
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