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Information Bulletin of the Southwest Office of Native American Program for the week of July 15, 2013

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*****PUBLIC NOTICE** Notification of Furlough – Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Closures**
 The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will be "closed" on the dates listed below due to the Federal government sequestration, which is the automatic across the board cut to all discretionary spending, and part of the Budget Control Act of 2011. We encourage those with business in HUD offices to plan accordingly. Absent any action to overcome these required reductions, HUD anticipates the need to close and suspend operations over the remainder of the current fiscal year as follows:

➤ July 22 ➤ Aug. 2 ➤ Aug. 16 ➤ Aug. 30

HUD [TRIBAL] NOTICES & GUIDANCES: ONAP Program Guidances: [View online](#) **PIH Notices:** [View online](#)

1. What's New! Federal News Briefs & Important Due Dates:
(HUD/ONAP): SWONAP ANNOUNCES TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OPPORTUNITIES: *FREE* Specialized technical assistance for tribal and TDHE grant recipients is available in a variety of topic areas related to Indian housing. Tribes and TDHE's are encouraged to formally request training and technical assistance on a particular need through SWONAP. For more, contact David Southerland (david.w.southerland@hud.gov or 505/346-6925), Debbie Broermann (deborah.s.broermann@hud.gov or 602/379-7198), or Carolyn O'Neil (carolyn.j.o'neil@hud.gov or 602/379-7235).

2. Trainings, Conferences and Events:

Training/ Conference/Event	Date/ Location	Description
UNITY Conference	July 12-17 Woodland Hills, CA	UNITY conference. More info. is available at www.unityinc.org . This year will be UNITY's 37 th year providing support and leadership training to our Native youth.
Capacity Building Grants for Sustainable Communities program (HUD)	July 16 webinar	Public Information webinar for HUD's Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for \$4.5 million in capacity building grants for the Sustainable Communities program. Questions may be submitted in advance to Dwayne.S.Marsh@hud.gov . View the NOFA here and the general NOFA policy requirements here .
Intermediate Electrical (NAHC)	July 17-19 Albuquerque, NM	Participants will have an opportunity to expand his/her basic knowledge of electrical circuits and gain hands-on experience on how to better maintain residential and commercial properties. For more info., contact nmahctraining@aol.com .
Resources for Enhancing Financial Education	July 18 webinar	This FREE hour-long webinar will explore financial education resources available to help assess participants' needs and deliver engaging, population-appropriate training. The webinar will: (1) Connect the importance of financial education to AFI IDA program goals. (2) Discuss ways to build your staff's capacity to deliver financial education. (3) Describe the financial education curricula & resources accessible through the AFI Resource Center & other recognized asset building organizations. (4) Explain how to use the available resources to enhance & expand your financial education services to participants. Register Here: Thursday, July 18, 2013 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. EST .
Designing Healthy Communities	July 18 webinar	This session examines how homes & community design can promote inclusiveness for all populations. Understanding risks & impacts of municipal planning, including those that can affect health, helps to ensure that land use and transportation decisions result in positive and equitable health outcomes. To register: https://www.colorado.feb.gov/index.php?content=82&page=NationalPreventionStrategy



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Creating an Organizational Budget (First Nations Development)	July 18 webinar	Accurate and up-to-date organizational budgets help maintain control over finances, show funders how money is being used, and are a required component for grant applications. The "Creating an Organizational Budget" webinar will guide participants through the steps of analyzing, prioritizing and allocating resources to support the mission of their organization. Space is limited, so reserve your Webinar seat now at https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/2781196321706789888
13th Annual FOR ALL MY RELATIONS (National Indian Justice Center)	July 18-20 Anaheim, CA	13 th Annual Conference will include special workshops for youth, Tribal Transportation programs, and more. Registration will open soon. For more info., call (707) 579-5507 or visit www.nijc.org/training.html
Integrating Housing and Transportation Planning to Increase Government Efficiency	July 25 Webinar	The Partnership for Sustainable Communities—a collaboration of the U.S. Dept and Housing & Urban Development (HUD), the U.S. Dept of Transportation (DOT), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)—coordinates federal investments in infrastructure, facilities, and services to get better results for communities and use taxpayer money more efficiently. The Partnership is sponsoring a series of events, including a summer webinar series on housing, transportation, and the environment. This webinar features two grantee communities which undertook integrated housing & transportation planning with the assistance of jointly awarded HUD Community Challenge and DOT TIGER II Planning grants in 2010. The communities' activities focus on connecting housing with affordable & sustainable transportation choices and improve access to employment. RSVP to sustainablecommunities@hud.gov to receive additional webinar information.
Creating a Program Budget (First Nations Development)	July 25 Webinar	Program budgets help determine program feasibility and help keep program activities on track. This webinar will guide participants through the steps of developing a program budget that fits within the overall organizational budget. The webinar will include instruction on documenting in-kind contributions and creating budget matches for federal grants. Space is limited, so reserve your Webinar seat now at https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/6560072650838049280
Oil, Gas & Renewable Energy on Tribal Lands: The New Landscape (Law Seminars)	July 25-26 Washington, DC	This seminar will focus on new developments in Indian energy development, exploring the partnerships that are being created between and among Tribes, the federal government, states and the private sector to develop fossil fuels, renewables and transmission capacity. It will frame these relationships within the context of legal and policy developments in Washington that will have far-reaching consequences for Indian energy development, including changes to the tax code, proposed legislation to streamline environmental regulations on Tribal lands, and the effect of major agency decisions. For more info., visit http://www.lawseminars.com/detail.php?SeminarCode=13TRIBDC
Falmouth Training Courses	July – Aug. Las Vegas, NV	Falmouth Institute offers the following training courses: Internal Controls for Tribal Organizations July 16 - 17 Financial Literacy for Tribal Board and Council Members July 17 - 18 OMB Circulars - Guidelines for Administering Federal Funds and Contracts Aug. 20 - 21 Federal Grants and Contracts Accounting for Tribal Organizations Aug. 26 - 27 Financial Literacy for Tribal Secretaries and Administrative Assistants Aug. 28 - 29
Increasing Your Funding & Sustainability: Strategic Use of the CFDA, Act(s) and CFR(s) (NLC)	July 29-Aug. 1 webinar	Native Learning Center's Kerretv Online offers its Tuition FREE webinar. Receive instruction & hands on examples of how to use the Catalog of Domestic Assistance, understand the inter-relationships of the Act(s) governing all federal grants, contracts & cooperative agreements, and those governing specific funding sources, and the requirements of the Code of Federal Regulations in order to increase your ability to identify & leverage new or expanded formula funding sources for your Tribal Communities. For more info. & to register visit www.KerreTvOnline.com .
Orientation to Sustainable Environmental Assessment	Aug. 5-9 Chicago AND online June 16 – Sept 30	This course uses the HUD (24 CFR 58) environmental process that delegates NEPA & 18 other environmental authorities to the local level as a framework for providing insights into issue identification and analysis pointed to consideration of alternatives. Environmental review prior to project approval allows local government and other stakeholders to identify and evaluate alternative sites and designs that can mitigate adverse impacts and/or lower long-term maintenance costs. All federal projects come with environmental assessment responsibilities under NEPA, and many local governments now like to routinely include environmental considerations in their local decision making process. To view agenda & register on line go to: Chicago UIC http://www.cvent.com/d/gcqcqc ; for On line UIC http://www.cvent.com/d/zcqv1 . For more info, call 312-996-6904.
2013 Leadership Institute Training (NAIHC)	Aug. 6-8 Colorado Springs, CO	National American Indian Housing Council's Leadership Institute offers Training Expos in 2013 with four classes at each Expo. Classes incl. Housing Services, Development & Modernization, Basic Accounting, and Acquisition Basics. For more info., call (202) 789-1754. Click here for the LI Training Expo schedule.
Solid Waste Mgmt-Safety & Recycling Strategies (NIJC)	Aug. 13-15 Denver, CO	Registration will open soon. For more information, call (707) 579-5507 or visit www.nijc.org/training.html



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FREE training in How to Write a Tribal Solid Waste Management Plan (EPA)	Aug. 14-15 Phoenix, AZ	The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in coordination with the Ak-ChinTribe of Arizona, offers this 8-hour interactive training to work through the process of developing an Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan (ISWMP) for your community. ISWMPs are the foundation of a sustainable waste management program and serve as the basis for infrastructure development & funding requests. ISWMPs are also used to analyze needs, assess operational & financial options, as well as recycling and source reduction opportunities. This training is appropriate for both tribes developing new ISWMPs and those updating existing plans. This course will be offered again in Northern California in Sept 2013. To RSVP and for more info., contact Shannon Davis at davis.shannon@epa.gov or 415-972-3440.
8 th Annual Utah Native American Summit	Aug. 14-15 Orem, UT	The annual Governor's Native American Summit is hosted by the Offices of the Governor & Lieutenant Governor, the Utah Dept. of Heritage & Arts, and the Utah Division of Indian Affairs. This Summit builds and strengthens working relationships to address issues that are prevalent among Utah's American Indians by addressing four critical areas: education, economic development, housing, and health. This year's theme of "Turning Vision into Action" continues to build on efforts by empowering participants with the skills to implement solutions to challenges, and to develop more strategic and deliberate methods that advance our community's political, social, and economic well-being. Here is the link to register: http://www.regonline.com/Register/Checkin.aspx?EventID=1243638 .
The Legacy of InterTribal Council of Arizona	Aug. 15 Chandler, AZ	Tribal Leaders Panel Discussion. Tribal Leaders from Arizona will discuss major innovations and accomplishments of ITCA over the past 40 years. The panel discussion is part of a project with Arizona State University's American Indian Policy Institute on the history and legacy of the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona. For more, call (480) 965-1055 or (602) 258-4822 or visit aiipi@asu.edu .
DEVELOPER 101 TRAINING (NM MFA)	Aug. 15-16 Albq, NM	New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority's (MFA) annual training will highlight the affordable housing development process, fundamentals of basic deal structuring, how to process and manage timelines, and how to put together your development team. Finance basics will be covered using case studies and hands on exercises. In addition, MFA rental and homeownership development funding programs will be reviewed as well as Low Income Housing Tax Credit and HOME program basics. For more info., contact Dan Foster at 505-767-2273 or visit www.housingnm.org .
 Board of Commissioner/Tribal Housing Board Training (HUD/ONAP)	Aug. 20-21 Phoenix, AZ	This FREE 2-day training provides an overview of Housing Board roles and responsibilities pertaining to the provision of affordable housing for tribal communities. Experienced trainers will provide examples and scenarios to inform and educate about these important roles to insure successful tribal housing for eligible community members under HUD's Indian Housing Block Grant program. For more information & to register, contact John Seignemartin at jseignemartin@naih.net or call 850/939-4256.
 Procurement Training (HUD/ONAP)	Aug. 22-23 Phoenix, AZ	This FREE 2-day training provides important information for those involved in procuring goods and services for tribal housing programs funded with HUD'. Experienced trainers will provide an understanding of Federal Procurement rules and regulations as well as examples and tips to enhance tribal Procurement policies and procedures. For more information & to register, contact John Seignemartin at jseignemartin@naih.net or call 850/939-4256.
Basic HVAC	Aug. 28-30 Albq, NM	Learn about HVAC systems through troubleshooting electronic & electrical controls with meters, facilities' equipment maintenance, and how simple maintenance info. can avert major problems. Hands-on soldering & welding of ACR copper piping also incl. nmnahttraining@aol.com
2 nd Annual Native American Housing Conference (Native Nations)	Sept. 9-10 Cabazon, CA	Native Nations hosts this 2 nd annual Conference. Through a series of panels & round-table discussions, attendees will hear from top experts in the housing field on topics such as financing, tax credits, green building & case studies. At this intimate forum, you will network with tribal leaders & housing professionals who share the common goal of bringing affordable housing to Indian Country. For more info., visit http://nativenationevents.org/conference/second-annual-native-american-housing-conference/
 NAHASDA Essentials Training (HUD/ONAP)	Sept. 10-12 Phoenix, AZ <i>(additional dates & locations will be announced soon!)</i>	Grantees receiving funds under the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) program are responsible for meeting the requirements of NAHASDA and its implementing regulations. This exciting and interactive FREE 3-day training will provide attendees with a comprehensive introduction to the Native American Housing Assistance & Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA). Participants will become familiar with all program activities, incl. rental housing, homebuyer programs, rehabilitation, and housing & crime prevention services. Other topics include the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) formula, eligible program participants, income verifications, other federal requirements, financial management & program administration. For more info., visit http://registration.firstpic.org or call 1-202-393-6400.
Indian Housing Training Conference (NLC)	Sept. 2013 Moving to Oklahoma!	The Seminole Tribe of Florida Native Learning Center's (NLC) Indian Housing Training Conference is designed to assist housing professionals by providing instruction from experts in the field. Participants will be able to join critical sessions related to Tribal housing programs over the course of this 3-day conference. Sessions include, but are not limited to, NAHASDA related courses that include NASHADA Essentials, Financial Management, and Program Administrative Policies and Procedures. For more Information visit http://nativelearningcenter.com/indianhousingtrainingconference/
Grant Planning / Research & Writing	Sept 30- Oct 4 Albq, NM	4-day workshop involves the understanding of how to plan, research, and write Grant Proposals. The money that can be gained through strong proposals can help improve & create homes in Indian Country. For more, contact nmnahttraining@aol.com .



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American Indian Law: Critical Issues Grant Writing & Administration (NIJC)	Oct. 9-11 Las Vegas, NV	Registration will open soon. To view more information, call (707) 579-5507 or visit www.nijc.org/training.html
RES Arizona (NCAIED)	Oct. 22-24 Chandler, AZ	Reservation Economic Summit (RES) is coming to Arizona! We're adding more fundamentals, like panels on creating effective business plans. Articulating and projecting your business results are skills all business owners need to have, and we're introducing a new series of panels on business fundamentals. Along with the fundamentals we know you want to grow your current business from good to great, and this often means more than just increased profits, it means organizational development. We're adding presentations on helping your business do more work with less effort, less employee turn-over, and increased results. Awards and recognition will also be part of RES Arizona. Our focus continues to be on you, the business owners and leaders who are making Indian Country work. To register for RES Arizona call 480-545-1968 or visit ncaied.org .
Northern Arizona Tribal Economic Development Summit	Oct. 24 Flagstaff, AZ	SAVE the DATE for this exciting Tribal Economic Development Summit. For more information, visit www.aiccaz.org or call Loren Tapahe at 602/448-0260.
Native American Contractors Association Annual Conference	Nov. 11-13 Palm Springs, CA	NACA's 1st Annual B2B Conference & Expo will feature three (3) different learning tracks that include: Getting Business Started and on the Right Course, Legislative Issues Impacting Small Business, and Contemporary Issues Impacting Small Business Federal Contractors. The conference will feature 60+ experts on small business matters. The complete 2013 conference agenda, online registration, and other conference information is available online now at www.nativecontractors.org .

3. Funding Announcements for Tribes/Tribal Entities:

Agency/Source	Submission Deadline	Additional Information
Rural Business Cooperatives Loans & Grants (USDA)	Open	Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant (REDLG) program for fiscal year (FY) 2013. Funding to support \$33 million in loans and \$10 million in grants. For more info., visit http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-06-25/html/2013-15118.htm
Grants to Support Small-Socially Disadvantaged Producers in Rural Areas (USDA)	July 15- paper submissions July 10 - electronic submissions	U.S. Dept of Agriculture grants for technical assistance to small, socially disadvantaged agricultural producers in rural areas. Eligible entities include cooperatives, groups of cooperatives, and cooperative development centers with governing boards or boards of directors comprised of mainly of individuals who are members of socially disadvantaged groups. For more info. call (202) 720-7558. Click here for the Federal Register notice and here for the Small Socially-Disadvantaged Producer Grant website.
USDA 2014 National Urban & Community Forestry Grant Program	July 15	Eligible entities incl. federally recognized Native American tribal governments, Native American tribal organizations, public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities, etc. Grant proposals should address the following priority issues: 1) Making Urban Trees & Forests More Resilient to Impacts of Natural Disasters & Long-term Impacts of Climate Change; 2) Green Infrastructure Jobs Analysis; 3) Utilizing Green Infrastructure to Manage & Mitigate Stormwater to Improve Water Quality. Potential grantees should collaborate with other organizations & entities not traditionally involved in urban & community forestry. Read more: funding announcement .
Sustainable Employment & Economic Development Strategies (SEEDS)	July 15	The Admin. for Native Americans (ANA) special funding initiative promotes Sustainable Employment & Economic Development Strategies (SEEDS) to reduce unemployment & stimulate local economies. Funding is available for new, community-based projects that foster economic devlpmt through creation of small businesses & sustainable job growth to promote economic self-sufficiency. ANA promotes 4 priorities through the SEEDS initiative: 1) creation of sustainable employment opportunities; 2) professional training & skill devlpmt that increases participants' employability & earning potential; 3) creation & devlpmt of small businesses & entrepreneurial activities, and; 4) a demonstrated strategy & commitment to keeping the jobs & revenues generated by project activities w/in the native communities being served. Access the Funding Opportunity Announcement here!
Native Asset Building Initiative	July 15	Dept of Health & Human Services funding to provide an array of supports and services to enable low income individuals & families to become economically self- sufficient for the long-term Click here for application materials.
Training & Technical Assistance (HUD/ONAP)	July 25	ONAP's T&TA program provides training & technical assistance to tribes/TDHEs that are eligible to receive an Indian Housing Block Grant funding and IHBG subrecipients. This ONAP T&TA will be centrally managed by HUD Headquarters with extensive involvement of the Area ONAPs. Awards under this NOFA will be made to T&TA providers with a broad range of skills and expertise as well as T&TA providers with more focused or targeted skills and expertise. Selected ONAP T&TA providers will work collaboratively in teams often with other providers and with ONAP staff, and will be deployed as HUD deems necessary across the country to achieve the objectives. HUD is interested in funding a mix of the type of providers that will provide T&TA in a cost effective manner. For more info., visit http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=236726



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 HUD One CPD Plus Technical Assistance and Capacity Building	July 31	Cross-program approach to build sustainable grantee management systems & organizational capacity. Technical assistance that optimizes each grantee's ability to establish and manage efficient & effective projects. This NOFA seeks service providers who can focus on skills, planning, & innovation to build the capacity of HUD's customers to successfully carry out HUD programs and policy objectives <i>and</i> comply with regulatory requirements. For more, visit http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail/nofa13/ti-onecpdplus
FY 2013 Capacity Building Grants for Sustainable Communities (HUD)	Aug. 7	\$4.5 million for capacity support grants to be distributed in support of the Sustainable Communities Initiative Regional Planning and Community Challenge grant programs. Pending availability of funding from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) technical assistance, including the Brownfield Area Wide Planning Grants and the Office of Sustainable Communities' Technical Assistance programs. View the NOFA here and the general NOFA policy requirement here .
Native Voices Rising Launches Research & Re-granting Program	Aug. 15	Research and re-granting project designed to support grassroots groups led by and for Native communities in American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities. Native Voices Rising establishes a mechanism for donors to invest in organizations led by Native people through a grant making vehicle whose decision makers are also members of Native communities. Letters of inquiry are due by Aug. 15, 2013.
Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants (HUD)	Sept. 10	The Dept of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) released the FY 2013 Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grant Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), which will provide \$109 million to revitalize and transform communities through four grants of up to \$30 million.
Rural Housing Preservation Grants (RHS/HPG)	Aug. 2	HPG program provides qualified public agencies, private nonprofit organizations, which may include but not be limited to Faith-Based & Community Organizations, & other eligible entities grant funds to assist very low- & low-income homeowners in repairing & rehabilitating their homes in rural areas. The HPG program also assists rental property owners & cooperative housing complexes in repairing & rehabilitating units made available to low- & very low-income persons. For more, visit http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=y6THRByZBpSvbPyhQyHwyNjCfP7V7l8nX68PGQxG4vTwJfy9B8yI-536611122?oppld=236593&mode=VIEW
Corporation for National and Community Service's Senior Corps: RSVP	Letter of Intent due Aug. 9; Applications due Sept 10	Eligible entities incl. Indian tribes, nonprofit organizations, government-recognized veteran service organizations, etc. The CNCS Senior Corps RSVP Program is one of the largest senior volunteer programs in the nation and offers a diverse range of volunteer activities that serve communities to create measurable impact, benefit volunteers through the service experience, & create community capacity. RSVP will focus grant making for fiscal year 2014 in 6 areas, incl. environmental stewardship, economic opportunity, & disaster services. For example, grant activities may support increased citizen behavioral change leading to increased efficiency, renewable energy use, & ecosystem improvements. CNCS intends to fund RSVP projects that support volunteers 55 years and older serving in a diverse range of activities that meet specific local & community needs. A letter of intent to apply is not required but is highly encouraged. For more info., read the grant opportunity synopsis .
Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT) Grant Program (USDA)	Aug. 12	Grants to provide access to education, training and healthcare resources in rural areas. Funds can be used to buy equipment and provide technical assistance. To be eligible, applicants must serve a rural area, demonstrate economic need and provide at least 15 percent in matching funds. Higher amounts of matching funds and service to very rural areas increase the competitiveness. Info. at http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/UTP_DLTResources.html will provide more on the program funding. Eligible applicants include Tribes, state or local units of government, and corporations. Applicants must operate a rural community facility or deliver distance learning or telemedicine services into rural areas. For more, visit http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-06-28/html/2013-15597.htm .
 Border Community Capital Initiative (BCCI)	Aug. 26	Eligible applicants for the BCCI are local rural nonprofits and Federally Recognized Indian tribes, with demonstrated experience in lending or investing for affordable housing, small business development, &/or community facilities. Such applicants may be certified CDFIs, but CDFI certification is not required. BCCI supports local rural nonprofits & Federally Recognized Indian tribes serving colonias for lending & investing activities in affordable housing, small businesses, &/or community facilities, and for securing additional sources of public & private capital for these activities. Contact Russell Quiniola or Thann Young at 877-787-2526 or (202) 708-2290 or see http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=6plkRJIYFBS9F5Tg2ih1vyzHihn1ptGI1sgwbSwwBzmb7mFFLrZl-667226062?oppld=236736&mode=VIEW or

4. Helpful Resources/Websites for Tribes and Tribal Organizations:

- Centralized website for federal grant opportunities: www.grants.gov
- Explore more than 30 U.S. Federal Agency Resources: [U.S. government services and programs for Native Americans](http://www.usa.gov)
- HUD's PIH Notices to Tribes and TDHEs are electronically posted at <http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/regs/notices.cfm>.
- HUD's Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities: www.hud.gov/sustainability.
- Government Information by Topic can be found at: <http://www.usa.gov/>.
- Federal Register Today: http://www.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/fr-cont.html.



- HUD PIH Environmental Resources <http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/codetalk/resources/env.cfm>
- National Resource Database for Tribal Water System Operators: www.smallwatersupply.org
- Multi-agency Infrastructure Task Force to Improve Access to Safe Drinking Water and Basic Sanitation in Indian Country <http://www.epa.gov/tp/trprograms/infra-water.htm>
- Asset Building for Native Communities: <http://www.idaresources.org/page?pageid=a04700000ArRPk>
- Center for American Indian Economic Development: www.franke.nau.edu/businessoutreach/caied
- Indian Dispute Resolution Services, Inc. <http://www.idrsinc.org>
- Native American Contractors Association: <http://www.nativecontractors.org/>
- Native Learning Center (NLC): FREE courses & training for Native Americans. www.nativelearningcenter.com
- Native Home Capital (CDFI) <http://www.nativehomecapital.com/>
- Native Community Finance (CDFI) www.nativecommunityfinance.org
- National Congress of American Indians: www.ncai.org
- National American Indian Housing Council: www.naihc.net

- **Southwestern States Inter Tribal Councils**

Inter Tribal Council of **Arizona**: <http://www.itcaonline.com/>

All Indian Pueblos Council (of **New Mexico**):

Inter Tribal Council of **California**: <http://www.itccinc.org/>

<http://www.20pueblos.org/>

Inter Tribal Council of **Nevada**: <http://www.itcn-snac.org/>

Federal Partners:

- **USDA** Rural Development <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/Home.html>
- Rural Utilities Service: High Energy Cost Grant Program (USDA): http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/UEP_Grant_Program.html.
- **Department of Interior** Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Indian Self-Determination Services
- Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs (Native Americans) <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/programs/aiana.htm>
- General Services Administration (GSA) https://www.gsaadvantage.gov/advantage/main/start_page.do
- **Indian Health Service** (IHS) <http://www.ihs.gov/>
IHS Environmental Health Support Center (Training Opportunities) <http://www.ihs.gov/EHCT/index.cfm?module=home>
- Department of Health & Human Services (HRSA) <http://www.hrsa.gov/publichealth/community/indianhealth/index.html>
- Department of Energy's (DOE) Tribal Energy Program <http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/tribalenergy/>
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 9 Tribal Solid Waste: <http://www.epa.gov/region9/waste/tribal/index.html>
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 9 Green Building: <http://www.epa.gov/region9/greenbuilding/index.html>
Environmental Protection Agency Office of Sustainable Communities: www.epa.gov/smartgrowth
- Internal Revenue Service – Tax Information for Indian Tribal Governments: <http://www.irs.gov/govt/tribes/index.html>
- **Department of Treasury CDFI Fund** <http://www.cdfifund.gov>
- **US Department of Commerce - MDBA** (Minority Business Development Agency) <http://www.mdba.gov/>
Economic Development Administration www.eda.gov. Small Business Administration (SBA) <http://www.sba.gov/>
- **OCC Native American Banking Resource Directory** www.occ.gov/topics/community-affairs/publications/index-ca-publications.html
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) – *Disaster Preparedness & Recovery* FEMA-NAC@fema.dhs.gov .
FEMA - *Trainings for Tribal representatives & staff.* <http://www.fema.gov/government/tribal/training.shtm>
- Federal Communications Commission (FCC), Office of Native Affairs & Policy <http://www.fcc.gov/indians/>.
- Administration for Native Americans (ANA): http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana/programs/program_information.html
- Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) Training & Events: <http://www.rcac.org/doc.aspx?58>
- Enterprise Green Communities Sustainability Training Grants:
<http://www.greencommunitiesonline.org/tools/funding/grants/sustainability/index.asp>.
- Native Center for American Indian Enterprise Development www.ncaied.org
- Partnership for Sustainable Communities: www.sustainablecommunities.gov
- Sustainable Communities Resource Center – www.huduser.org/portal/sustainability/resources_rural_sustainability.html
- Dept of Transportation: Transportation Planning Capacity Building: www.planning.dot.gov MAP 21 www.dot.gov/map21

5. Bits and Pieces:

TAOS PUEBLO HONORS NIXON FOR RETURN OF SACRED LANDS: (*The Taos News, July 11, 2013*) On the centennial year of the birth of President Richard Nixon, Taos Pueblo honored his legacy for his return of 48,000 acres of sacred lands to Taos Pueblo Indians in 1970. President Nixon's younger brother, Ed Nixon, accepted the honor and give remarks on behalf of the Nixon family at the Taos Pueblo Powwow (July 12). On Dec. 15, 1970, President Nixon signed a bill that resulted in the return of the Blue Lake Lands in New Mexico to the people of Taos. Nixon's vision would be groundbreaking, leading to such far-reaching results as the restoration of sacred lands; local autonomy and administration over Federal funds; more American Indians in high-level positions at the Bureau of Indian Affairs



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and U.S. Dept of the Interior where they could help administer their own programs; and substantial increases in Federal assistance for health care, education, and economic development. More than 40 years later, most of these policies still remain in effect. *Read more* at http://www.taosnews.com/entertainment/article_eeb53cf0-ea37-11e2-8181-001a4bcf887a.html .

FREE COURSES & TRAINING FOR NATIVE AMERICANS AND TRIBAL COMMUNITIES: The Native Learning Center (NLC) offers FREE courses and training to Native Americans and Indigenous people with an emphasis on the educational needs of tribal members and their communities. The NLC is a program of the Seminole Tribe of Florida and was established in partnership with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in 2008. Check-out the new on-line courses at KERRETV: <http://nativelearningcenter.com/>

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