



ASSOCIATION ON AMERICAN INDIAN AFFAIRS

Protecting Sovereignty • Preserving Culture

Educating Youth • Building Capacity

SINCE 1922

SUMMER CAMP FUNDING APPLICATION **Applications Due May 6th, 2022**

The Association on American Indian Affairs is the oldest non-profit serving Indian Country protecting sovereignty, preserving culture, educating youth and building capacity. The Association was formed in 1922 to change the destructive path of federal policy from assimilation, termination and allotment, to sovereignty, self-determination and self-sufficiency. Throughout its 100-year history, the Association has provided national advocacy on watershed issues that support sovereignty and culture, while working at a grassroots level with Tribes to support the implementation of programs that affect real lives on the ground. The Association is governed by an all-Native Board of Directors from across Indian Country.

The Association began providing grants to Native Youth Summer Camps in 1963 as a powerful way that the Association can work to accomplish its vision to create a world where diverse Native American cultures and values are lived, protected, and respected by focusing on the development of Native youth. There is significant research that shows when young Native people are connected to their culture, they fare better mentally and emotionally than those who are not. Healthy and strong Native American youth will sustain strong Tribal cultures and protect Tribal sovereignty for years to come.

Applications for funding are based on the following required criteria:

- The camp must provide summer programming to Native American Youth up to 18 years of age and be inclusive and supportive of LGBTQ2S+ Native youth;
- The program must include education on diabetes prevention, nutrition, physical fitness and/or other health and wellness topics;
- The program should include education on culture, language and community advocacy;
- The program should involve Tribal Elders and/or have active community involvement; and
- The camp must follow safety and security protocols and procedures to protect and care for the youth and Elders, including maintaining social distancing and mask

wearing when needed, and provide education for hand washing, and how infectious disease can spread.

Requirements for a successful grant:

Native Youth Summer Camps that are approved for funding must submit a 2-3 page report at the end of the camp or no later than September 15, 2022, that provides a description of activities that include:

- How many Native youth participated, their ages and which Native Nations were represented;
- How the camp was inclusive and supportive of LGBTQ2S+ Native youth;
- How the program included education on diabetes prevention, nutrition, physical fitness and/or other health and wellness topics;
- How the program included education on culture, language and community advocacy;
- How the program involved Tribal Elders and/or have active community involvement;
- Length, term and dates of the camp;
- How the program followed safety and security procedures to protect and care for the youth; and
- The program should submit photography and other information (electronically if possible) with its report if it has included a photo release from youth included in the pictures.

Applications are due on May 06, 2022.

Please submit the application by email only to: general@Indian-Affairs.org

Funding for the Association's Native Youth Summer Camp Grants is dependent upon the generosity of our donors. Funding may vary from year to year; therefore, an award is not guaranteed. The Association generally does not have the ability to fund costs for entire summer programming. Funding provided is usually between \$200 and \$1,000, depending on the number of qualified programs applying for funding.

If you have questions about your application, please email at general@Indian-Affairs.org or call (240) 314-7155.

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**Please complete this application and submit to
general@indian-affairs.org by May 06, 2022**

Organization Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Primary Contact Name & Title (if applicable): _____

Primary Contact Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Alternate Contact Name & Title (if applicable): _____

Alternate Contact Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Camp Website (if applicable): _____

Camp Dates: _____

Is this a day camp or overnight? _____ How many years has this camp operated? _____

Tribe(s) served: _____

How many years has this camp operated? _____ Number of Youth Campers Expected: _____

Ages of Youth Campers Expected: _____ Number of Volunteers: _____

Number of Elders: _____

Total Camp Budget in Dollars: _____

Amount Requested from the Association: _____

What are the other sources of funding the camp will receive? _____

Is there a charge for participants to attend camp? _____ If yes, how much? _____

Describe the purpose and goals of your camp. _____

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Will your program commit to being inclusive and supportive of the LGBTQ2S+ Native youth that attend your camp? _____

How will the camp include education on diabetes, nutrition, physical fitness or health and wellness?

How will the camp include culture, language and community building? _____

How are Elders and Native Nations involved?

How is your camp providing safety and security, including health precautions due to the COVID-19 pandemic? _____

How will the camp provide COVID-19 education, i.e., social distancing, hand washing, mask wearing and how to prevent infectious disease spread? _____

(Please feel free to add extra paper to your application to describe your camp.)

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