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**Marcia Fudge Sworn in As Secretary of Housing and Urban Development**



Congratulations and welcome aboard to Rep. Marcia Fudge on her confirmation as Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. She is the first woman to serve as HUD Secretary since 1979, the second Black woman, and the third woman ever to lead the department. Secretary Fudge has a strong record and demonstrated commitment to making affordable homeownership a reality for more Americans, including households of color and underserved populations. While serving in the House of Representatives, she led an annual sign-on letter, bringing her colleagues together to ask appropriators for increased funding for the HOME Investment Partnerships program, an important source of formula grant funds for state and

local agencies to produce affordable housing. She also cosponsored important housing legislation including the Affordable Housing Credit Improvement Act. Secretary Fudge pledges to continue to address our Nation's serious affordable housing challenges, including those facing Indian Country. On March 10, 2021, **Marcia L. Fudge** was officially sworn in as the 18th Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. Secretary Fudge took the oath after the Senate voted to confirm her. As Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Fudge now leads a federal department with wide reach throughout the United States, including the Offices of Housing, Community Planning & Development, Federal Housing Administration, Public and Indian Housing, Fair Housing & Equal Opportunity, Policy Development and Research, Field Policy and Management, Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae), Lead Hazard Control & Healthy Homes, and Faith-Based & Neighborhood Partnerships. Watch video remarks delivered by Secretary Fudge [here](#).

# IMPORTANT REMINDERS

## [Dear Tribal Leader Letter - Tribal Housing and Related Infrastructure Interagency Task Force \(THRIITF\)](#)

HUD is seeking elected or appointed officers or authorized designees of tribal governments to join the Tribal Housing and Related Infrastructure Interagency Task Force (THRIITF). The U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is the lead agency in the federal effort to develop a coordinated environmental review process for housing and housing-related infrastructure in Indian Country. Congress directed HUD to establish THRIITF to address and implement the working group recommendations to continue the review of related environmental laws and authorities to identify opportunities for greater efficiencies; explore whether environmental reviews could be expedited if agencies which fund similar types of projects developed aligned categorical exclusions; and identify specific regulatory and policy improvements. THRIITF will be addressing & implementing the recommendations of the 2015 Coordinated Environmental Review Process, which are found at: <https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/COORENVIRREVIEW.PDF>. Read the full text of the Dear Tribal Leader letter [here](#).

## **March 23, 2021: Tribal Consultation – Strengthening HUD’s Tribal Consultation Policy – Session 2**

On February 25, 2021, pursuant to President Biden’s Memorandum on Tribal Consultation and Strengthening Nation-to-Nation Relationships, HUD held the first of two Tribal consultation sessions to inform HUD’s Tribal consultation action plan. Waewanan (Thank you) to the many Tribal leaders, Tribal housing experts and advocates who joined us from across the country for our first virtual consultation session. We had a record turnout and received many thoughtful ideas and recommendations. HUD will be hosting our second Tribal consultation session: Strengthening HUD’s Tribal Consultation Policy (Secretary Fudge will be leading this session). This Tribal consultation session will be held virtually on **Tuesday, March 23, 2021** from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM EST. Due to the current COVID-19 National Emergency, in-person consultation sessions cannot take place. You may join the conference 10 minutes prior to it starting.

**Step 1:** Dial into the conference. Conference Line: 888-251-2949 or 215-861-0694 Access Code: 3359943#

**Step 2:** Join the conference on your computer. Entry Link: <https://ems8.intellor.com/login/837560>

We understand that some people have difficulty logging into WebEx. We recommend that you use the Google Chrome web browser to log into WebEx. **Read the full text of the Dear Tribal Leader letter [here](#).**

## **March 24, 2021: Tribal Consultation for Continuum of Care Program**

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260, approved December 27, 2020) included language allowing participation of Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHE) in the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program (Section 102). In accordance with the Department of Housing and Urban Development’s (HUD) Tribal Consultation Policy, HUD is reaching out to tribal leaders to solicit feedback. Specifically, the Department seeks comments on the following points:

- Participation in the upcoming FY 2021 CoC Program Competition process and availability to coordinate with neighboring CoCs;
- Homeless needs within the tribal areas and how CoC Program funds can help address homelessness;
- Challenges related to homelessness and recommendations where CoC Program funds can assist with housing and services; and
- Based on the statutory and regulatory requirements and restrictions, what obstacles are anticipated and recommendations to assist Indian Tribes and TDHE’s towards addressing, reducing, and ending homelessness.

Read the full text of the Dear Tribal Leader letter [here](#).

**The conference begins at 1:00 PM Eastern Time on March 24, 2021; you may join the conference 10 minutes prior.**

**Step 1:** Dial into the conference at 888-251-2949 or 215-861-0694 **Access Code:** 5227235#

[Need an international dial-in number?](#)

**Step 2:** Join the conference on your computer. **Entry Link:** <https://ems8.intellor.com/login/837527>

## **March 25, 2021 (1:00 pm Arizona Time): FREE webinar - FY21 Tribal HUD-VASH Expansion Program**

HUD’s Southwest Office of Native American Programs (SWONAP) invites you to participate in a **FREE** informational webinar on the FY21- Tribal HUD-VASH Expansion Program. SWONAP staff will provide an overview and answer questions for potential applicants in the Southwest. Learn how the Tribal Housing and Urban Development-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) program helps homeless Native American Veterans exit homelessness. Tribal HUD-VASH combines rental assistance from HUD with case management, clinical and supportive services provided by VA specifically for Native American Veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Video produced by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. [Click Here](#) to watch.

This Free webinar is offered via **TEAMS and Call-In number is (202) 510-9533.**

# JOB OPPORTUNITIES



## ONAP Vacancy Announcements

Apply by March 22, 2021! [Lead Grants Management Specialist, Washington, DC](#)

As a Lead Grants Management Specialist, you will:

- Develop national policies, programs, standards, procedures and guidelines to be used by the Program and Area Offices (AO), Indian tribes, tribally-designated housing entities (TDHE) and others involved in the development of applicable programs
- Coordinate actions with other Federal agencies
- Conduct analytical studies of complex issues related to Native American housing in order to evaluate the effectiveness of current national policies and procedures in meeting ONAP objectives
- Initiate and prepare policy comprehensive documents which recommend statutory changes to affect the administration of housing and community development programs. [Apply here](#)

Apply by April 2, 2021! Grants Management Specialist, Anchorage, AK (GS 9/11/12)

Announcement numbers:

21-HUD-670 (MP/Internal) <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/595685300>

21-HUD-671-P (DEU/External) <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/595686300>

The following is a summary of duties of this position:

Act as a government technical monitor and participate in government technical evaluation panels and pre-proposal conferences.

Responsible for a narrow scope of contracting activities and/or assisting the GTR in monitoring cost, schedule & performance parameters for assigned ONAP contracts.

- Participate in preparation of cost estimates, statements of work, reporting requirements, proposal instructions and evaluation criteria.
- Conduct market research & provide advice on any matters concerning solicitation and the reasonable need for proposed costs. Assist GTR in obtaining necessary approvals and clearances.
  - Primarily responsible for managing relationships with participating tribally designated housing entities (TDHE), Indian tribes, etc.

## TRIBAL HUD-VASH (Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing)

### Tribal HUD-VASH Updates

**NEW!** [Tribal HUD-VASH Expansion NOFA FAQs](#) Published March 17, 2021

Please email [TribalHUDVASH@hud.gov](mailto:TribalHUDVASH@hud.gov) with any questions not addressed in the FAQ.

**NEW!** [Notice PIH 2021-09: Tribal HUD-VASH Renewal Procedures](#)

This Tribal HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (Tribal HUD-VASH) Notice announces renewal requirements and procedural guidance for existing recipients of the program.

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[https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/public\\_indian\\_housing/ih/codetalk/onap/swonap](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/codetalk/onap/swonap)



# FEDERAL AGENCY TRIBAL CONSULTATIONS ...



## **April 6, 7 & 8, 2021 JOINT AGENCY TRIBAL CONSULTATION – (VA, SSA, Treasury & SBA)**

The US Dept. of the Treasury, Dept. of Veterans Affairs, Social Security Administration, and the U.S. Small Business Administration, invite you to attend a **tribal consultation relative to the Presidential Memorandum on Tribal Consultation and Strengthening Nation-to-Nation Relationships** dated January 26, 2021. Agencies are seeking your recommendations and feedback on how to improve the Departments' and Agency's tribal consultation policies and practices to better engage with Indian Country through meaningful consultation. Agencies are conducting 6 regional consultations to listen and learn from tribal leaders across the United States. Each tribe may register one primary leader or designee leader to provide comments. All others are welcome to register as listen-only participants. The deadline for public comment registration is 11:59 p.m. Thursday, April 1, 2021.

***The Listening Sessions are off the record and not for press purposes.***

**Midwest and Eastern Region, Tuesday, April 6, 2021 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 ET**

**Great Plains and Southern Plain Region, Tuesday, April 6, 2021 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET**

**Pacific Region, Wednesday, April 7, 2021 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. ET**

**Alaska Native Villages and Tribes, Wednesday, April 7, 2021 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. ET**

**Rocky Mountain and Southeast Region, Thursday, April 8, 2021 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. ET**

**Western Region, Thursday, April 8, 2021 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET**

An agenda will be sent by Monday, April 5, 2021. For reference, each participating federal department and agency's Tribal Consultation policy and consultation mailbox can be found below:

U.S. Department of the Treasury, [tribal.consult@treasury.gov](mailto:tribal.consult@treasury.gov)

Social Security Administration, [AIAN.EC@ssa.gov](mailto:AIAN.EC@ssa.gov)

U.S. Small Business Administration, [tribalconsultation@sba.gov](mailto:tribalconsultation@sba.gov)

U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs, [tribalgovernmentconsultation@va.gov](mailto:tribalgovernmentconsultation@va.gov)

If you are unable to attend or you wish to provide comments in writing, please send written comments to department and agency mailboxes **by Friday, April 9, 2021 11:59 ET.**

## **Dept of Interior Tribal Consultation on Climate, COVID-19:**

[U.S. Interior Department to consult with tribal leaders on climate, COVID-19](#)

The U.S Interior Department will begin consultations with Native American tribal leaders in an effort to gain more tribal input on policy decisions.

**Department of Health and Human Services Webinars on Tribal Consultation** – The HHS is holding a series of webinars in March 2021 in response to the Presidential Memorandum on Tribal Consultation and Strengthening Nation-to-Nation Relationships, released January 26. As the President's memorandum states, "History demonstrates that we best serve Native American people when Tribal governments are empowered to lead their communities, and when Federal officials speak with and listen to Tribal leaders in formulating Federal policy that affects Tribal Nations." To that end, HHS is seeking your recommendations and feedback on how we can improve the Department's policies, and practices to better engage with Indian Country through meaningful consultation. Consultation times, dates and links are below:

- **Monday, March 22, 2021** (10 a.m. – 1 p.m. ET): [Register for Regions 1, 2, 3, & 4](#)
- **Monday, March 22, 2021** (2 p.m. – 5 p.m. ET): [Register for Region 5](#)
- **Tuesday, March 23, 2021** (2 p.m. – 5 p.m. ET): [Register for Regions 7 & 8](#)
- **Wednesday, March 24, 2021** (10 a.m. – 1 p.m. ET): [Register for Region 6](#)
- **Wednesday, March 24, 2021** (2 p.m. – 5 p.m. ET): [Register for Region 9](#)
- **Thursday, March 25, 2021** (2 p.m. – 5 p.m. ET): [Register for Region 10](#)

**Virtual Tribal Nations Training by FEMA's Center for Domestic Preparedness** – A series of special virtual trainings, which will be of interest to those working on Tribal response programs, will be conducted **March 22 through April 30.** A wide variety of subjects will be covered, so please visit <https://cdp.dhs.gov/> for more information and to register. Be aware that registration for each course is the Wednesday *prior* to the week of the course.

# TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



Conferences & Event	Date/Location	Description
<a href="#"><u>Webinar: How are Tribal Economies Faring Amidst the COVID-19 Pandemic?</u></a>	March 24 1:30-3:00 p.m. CT	<a href="#"><u>Webinar: How are Tribal Economies Faring Amidst the COVID-19 Pandemic?</u></a> Join CICD for a webinar exploring policy solutions to promote tribal economic development
<b>Multi-Agency Joint Tribal Consultation (Treasury, VA, SSA, &amp; SBA):</b>	April 6-9	Multi-Agency Joint Tribal Consultation (Treasury, Veterans Administration, Social Security Administration, and US Small Business Administration) - Invitation to attend a tribal consultation relative to the Presidential Memorandum on Tribal Consultation and Strengthening Nation-to-Nation Relationships dated January 26, 2021. Agencies are seeking your recommendations and feedback on how we can improve the Departments' and Agency's tribal consultation policies and practices represented here to better engage with Indian Country through meaningful consultation. Dates of multi-agency tribal consultation are April 6-9, 2021. For more information, contact Peter Vicaire at <a href="mailto:Peter.Vicaire@va.gov">Peter.Vicaire@va.gov</a> .
<b>IHP Development (NLC)</b>	May 4-6 Virtual Training	To receive an Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG), a recipient must submit a One-Year Indian Housing Plan (IHP), as required by the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA). Recipient programs that are fully or partially funded by IHBG, IHBG program income, Title VI funds, Title VI program income, or 1937 Housing Act funds must be included in the IHP. The recipient is required to submit the IHP to the area Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) at least 75 days prior to the start of its 12-month program year. This course will focus on the planning and development of your IHP. Course Objectives include: Overview of the IHBG Program; Completing the IHP; Using EPIC to Submit Your IHP; Determining IHP Programs More info. at: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/virtual-training-ihp-development-may-4-6-2021-tickets-139932025455?aff=erelpanelorg">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/virtual-training-ihp-development-may-4-6-2021-tickets-139932025455?aff=erelpanelorg</a>
<b>Loan Policy Development (NLC)</b>	May 13 Virtual Training	This 3 hour webinar covers the development loan policies and the role they plan in any lending department. This webinar is designed to teach fundamental principles of loan policy development. Objectives: 1. Explanation of loan policy development and crucial elements 2. In depth explanation of loan policies and the role of policies in underwriting 3. Explanation of the differences of loan policies and loan procedures 4. In depth explanation of risk rating development for inclusion in loan policies and underwriting criteria More info at: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/virtual-training-loan-policy-development-tickets-135859101229?internal_ref=login">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/virtual-training-loan-policy-development-tickets-135859101229?internal_ref=login</a>
AMERIND   NAIHC Annual Convention & Tradeshow	May 22-27 Hawaii	Watch for more details soon. Visit <a href="https://amerind.com/events-calendar/">https://amerind.com/events-calendar/</a>
<b>35<sup>th</sup> Annual Reservation Economic Summit (RES 2021)</b>	July 19-21 Las Vegas, NV	RES 2021 is focused on <b>resiliency</b> and <b>reinvention</b> for American Indian enterprises, will take place in a hybrid format with a live in-person and live virtual experience available to attendees to ensure social distancing and the safety, comfort, and well-being of attendees. The National Center will follow CDC and local health guidelines for in-person attendees. RES is the event to attend for high-caliber networking, winning teaming opportunities, business development sessions, and one-on-one consulting all centered around the American Indian Enterprise. <a href="#"><u>Register now for RES 2021</u></a>
<b>HUD National Housing Summit</b>	Aug. 16-18	Hosted by HUD's Office of Native American Programs. Watch for more information soon.
<b>NAIHC Legal Symposium</b>	Dec. 2021	Watch for more information soon. Visit <a href="http://www.naihc.net">www.naihc.net</a>

# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



Open Grant Opportunities for which Federally Recognized Indian Tribal Governments and/or Native American Tribal are eligible to apply. Visit <https://www.grants.gov/>

Agency/Source	Deadline To Apply	Additional Information
Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations Nutrition Education Grant	<b>March 8 Extended to March 22</b>	<a href="#">Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations Nutrition Education Grant</a> U.S. Dept. of Agriculture USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture funding to provide nutrition education for participants of the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations, resulting in healthier food choices and a better understanding of healthy food preparation methods.
<a href="#">Hazardous Waste Management Grant Program for Tribes (EPA)</a>	<b>March 30</b>	<a href="#">Hazardous Waste Management Grant Program for Tribes</a> Environmental Protection Agency - This program supports the development and implementation of hazardous waste programs and for building capacity to address hazardous waste management in Indian country. <a href="#">Apply on Grants.gov</a>
Tribal HUD VASH Expansion Program	<b>April 15</b>	The U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) NOFA expands the Tribal HUD-VASH program. The NOFA announces the availability of approximately \$3.2 million for competitive grants to eligible Indian tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs). This program provides applicants the ability to use HUD funding towards rental assistance for Native American Veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, living on or near a reservation or other Indian areas. <a href="#">Continue Reading</a> <a href="#">Tribal HUD-VASH Expansion NOFA</a> (Deadline 04/15/21)
Dept of Health & Human Services Admin for Children and Families	<b>April 20</b>	Grants to Tribes, Tribal Organizations and Migrant Programs for Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Programs. Funding Opportunity Number HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-CA-1913. For more information click <a href="#">HERE</a> .
FY2020 Historic Preservation Fund - Tribal Heritage Grants	<b>May 5</b>	The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 authorizes grants to federally recognized Tribes for cultural and historic preservation projects. These grants assist Tribes, Alaskan Natives, and Native Hawaiian Organizations in protecting and promoting their unique cultural heritage and traditions. Since 1990, more than \$17 million has been awarded to over 460 tribal communities. From the beginning, the program has been shaped by Indian tribes. It focuses on what they are most concerned about protecting: Traditional skills, oral history, plant and animal species important in tradition, sacred and historic places, and the establishment of tribal historic preservation offices. For more info., visit <a href="https://www.nps.gov/thpo/tribal-heritage/application.html">https://www.nps.gov/thpo/tribal-heritage/application.html</a>
Honor the Earth Native Food Security Grants	<b>Open</b>	<a href="#">Honor the Earth Native Food Security Grants</a> . Funding for native organizations working to create food security using traditional seeds, foods, and growing methods, as well as energy efficiency and renewable energy projects.
EDA CARES Act Funds	<b>Ongoing</b>	The Dept. of Commerce's Economic Development Administration (EDA) Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) supplemental funds (EDA CARES Act Recovery Assistance) intended to help communities prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus. For more info. click <a href="#">HERE</a> .
NCAI Stabilization Grants for Native-Owned Small Businesses Impacted by Coronavirus Pandemic	<b>Open</b>	Native-owned small businesses in tribal communities provide critical jobs and income to tribal citizens and their families while enriching the quality of community life by providing goods and services to local residents and the public at-large. With generous support from <a href="#">Google.org</a> , NCAI is offering business stabilization grants in the amount of \$5,000 each to a total of 28 selected Native-owned small businesses that have been severely impacted by the curtailing of commercial activity caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. For more info., eligibility criteria, and how to apply, click <a href="#">here</a> .
Indian Land Tenure Foundation - Land Recovery Efforts	<b>Open</b>	The Foundation provides funding to Indian nations to support various aspects of land recovery with a focus on reacquiring alienated federal lands. Returning lands to Indian ownership and control is important to ensure that Indian people have access to the financial and natural resources within their own reservations. The Foundation supports a variety of initiatives to assist tribes in the development of plans to reacquire reservation lands. More info. at: <a href="https://www.iltf.org/grants/special-initiatives/land-recovery-efforts">https://www.iltf.org/grants/special-initiatives/land-recovery-efforts</a>
Financial Literacy Funding	<b>Open</b>	- <a href="#">Discover Foundation</a> . Applications accepted year-round.
<b>Emergency</b>	<b>Open</b>	Program helps eligible rural communities recover from or prepare for emergencies that result in

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Agency/Source	Deadline To Apply	Additional Information
<b>Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants (USDA-RD)</b>	<b>Open</b>	Program helps eligible rural communities recover from or prepare for emergencies that result in a decline in capacity to provide safe, reliable drinking water for households & businesses. Federally recognized Tribal lands and Colonias are eligible; Privately owned wells are not eligible. • Up to \$150K for repairs to breaks/leaks in existing water distribution lines, & related maintenance. • Up to \$500K for construction of a new water source, intake &/or treatment facility or waterline extensions. <a href="http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/UWP-ecwag.htm">http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/UWP-ecwag.htm</a>
<b>Environmental Infrastructure Loan Program (RCAC)</b>	<b>Open</b>	Loan Program to create/improve/expand supply of safe drinking water, waste disposal systems & other facilities serving rural communities by providing early funding to small rural communities to determine feasibility & pay pre-development costs prior to receiving state &/or federal program funding. May also provide interim construction financing, & intermediate/long-term loans for system improvements. Nonprofit orgs., public agencies & tribal governments are eligible. Projects must be located in rural areas with populations of 50,000 or less in AK, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NV, NM, OR, UT, WA and WY. Community size is limited to 10,000 for long-term USDA guaranteed loans & short-term loans for which USDA is the long-term lender. Eligible projects incl. water, wastewater, solid waste/storm water facilities. Contact Juanita Hallstrom, <a href="mailto:jhallstrom@rcac.org">jhallstrom@rcac.org</a> or visit <a href="http://www.rcac.org">www.rcac.org</a>
<b>Drinking Water and Waste Disposal for Rural &amp; Native Alaskan Villages</b>	<b>Open</b>	<b><u><a href="#">Drinking Water and Waste Disposal for Rural and Native Alaskan Villages</a></u></b> USDA Rural Development offers this program to help extend access to clean, reliable water and waste disposal systems for households and businesses in remote and extremely isolated parts of the U. S.
<b>National Endowment for the Arts “Our Town” Grant Program</b>	<b>Open</b>	Program supports creative placemaking projects to help transform communities into lively, beautiful & resilient places achieving community goals through strategies that incorporate arts, culture, &/or design. This funding supports local efforts to enhance quality of life & opportunity for existing residents, increase creative activity, & create or preserve a distinct sense of place. Eligible lead applicants are: • Nonprofit tax-exempt 501(c)(3) U.S. organizations with <b>3-year history of programming</b> ; and • Local govt counties, parishes, cities, towns, villages, or federally recognized tribal governments. <a href="https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/our-town/introduction">https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/our-town/introduction</a>
<b>Direct Home Loans for Native Americans</b>	<b>Open</b>	Program makes home loans available to eligible Native American Veterans who wish to purchase, construct, or improve a home on Federal Trust land or to reduce the interest rate. Veterans who are not Native American, but who are married to a Native American non-Veteran, may be eligible for a direct loan under this program. For more info., visit the <a href="#">NADL program website</a> . More at <a href="#">Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA)</a>
<b><u><a href="#">Justice Department Announces Funding Opportunities for Tribal Communities</a></u></b>	<b>Open</b>	<b><u><a href="#">Justice Department Announces Funding Opportunities for Tribal Communities</a></u></b> The U.S. Department of Justice announced the opening of the grant solicitation period for comprehensive funding to federally-recognized American Indian and Alaska Native tribal governments and tribal consortia to support public safety, victim services and crime prevention.
<b>Indian Loan Guaranty, Insurance, &amp; Interest Subsidy Program</b>	<b>Open</b>	This DOI program assists in obtaining financing from private sources to promote business development initiatives that contribute to the economy of the reservation or service area. Qualifications for this program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An individually enrolled member of a Federally recognized American Indian tribe or Alaska Native group</li> <li>• Corporation with no less than 51% ownership by Federally recognized American Indians or Alaska Natives</li> <li>• A Federally recognized American Indian Tribe or Alaska Native group.</li> </ul> For more info., call 202-219-0740 or visit <a href="http://www.bia.gov/WhoWeAre/AS-IA/IEED/DCI/index.htm">http://www.bia.gov/WhoWeAre/AS-IA/IEED/DCI/index.htm</a> .

# OTHER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE & TRAINING

<p><b>NAIHC's Indian Housing Management Course</b></p>	<p>various</p>	<p><b>11 Classes. All Online!</b> Visit <a href="http://www.NAIHC.net">www.NAIHC.net</a> for more info.</p> <p>NAIHC's eLearning course presents a survey of the Indian Housing Industry, its relevant laws, required compliance, management best practices &amp; more. Designed especially for housing professionals everywhere, this course covers the foundational skills necessary for effective housing management. This innovative course provides relevant and up to date information with a busy professional's schedule in mind. Offered completely online, current &amp; future eLearning products will be presented in a self-paced, digital format with narrated lessons, interactive activities, assessments to test skill, and upon successful completion, earn valuable credit towards a certification with NAIHC's Leadership Institute. All eLearning courses will qualify for credit with NAIHC's Leadership Institute where participants can become eligible for various track certifications leading up to the prestigious – <b>Professional Indian Housing Manager (PIHM) certification.</b> Courses include:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <b>Lesson 1: Applicable Laws &amp; Regulations</b>  <b>Lesson 2: Compliance &amp; Other Requirements</b>  <b>Lesson 3: Organizational Options</b>  <b>Lesson 4: Eligible Families &amp; Activities</b>  <b>Lesson 5: Property Management</b>  <b>Lesson 6: Planning &amp; Development</b>  <b>Lesson 7: Financial Issues</b>  <b>Lesson 8: Policy &amp; Program Development</b>  <b>Lesson 9: Admissions, Occupancy, &amp; Maintenance</b>  <b>Lesson 10: Housing Development</b>  <b>Lesson 11: Monitoring True to Your Vision</b> </p>
<p><b>FirstPic Inc. – Tribal Housing Training Courses</b></p>	<p>Various</p>	<p>To find out more, click on the links below or visit <a href="http://www.FirtPic.org">www.FirtPic.org</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Admissions and Occupancy</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Development Planning</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Financial Management</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">IHP/APR</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Maintenance</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">NAHASDA Essentials</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">NAHASDA Intermediate</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">National Webinar Series</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Opportunity Zones Webinar Series</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Procurement</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Program Income</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Project Management</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Landlord Participation Webinar Series</a></li> </ul>

## Direct, On-Demand Assistance

We will discuss your objectives; review and assess your current situation; develop or revamp policy, procedures or systems; and help you implement changes to achieve the results that you want.

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## Falmouth Institute

Your tribal constitution, policies, ordinances and by-laws are the guides to governing your organization. **These are the foundations of a stable tribal government.** It is critical to review, revise and amend your governing documents as your tribe grows and changes. **Falmouth Institute tribal constitutional experts will deliver a page-by-page assessment** of the constitution, bylaws and amendments and provide a report on the strengths and challenges of each document. Let us help you improve you:

- **Current tribal constitution**
- **Tribal ordinances**
- **Tribal bylaws and amendments**
- **Tribal charters**
- **Enrollment ordinances**
- **Election ordinances**

**Falmouth Institute** works with you to allow your leadership an opportunity to explore the documents, processes and programs that build a strong and enduring tribal government. **For more Information Call 1-800-992-4489 ext. 119, email or contact form.**