

FEDERAL RESOURCES FOR NATIVE YOUTH COMMUNITY PROJECT APPLICANTS

The following resources may be useful to communities preparing NYCP applications. All of these sites offer publicly available information, best practice, toolkits and other products on specific issue areas, including many tailored to Native communities. Some may be able to offer more direct assistance to applicants if contacted, but such assistance is not guaranteed and is dependent on staff time and resources.

Department of Justice

“Today’s Native Leaders” initiative: <http://www.unityinc.org/index.php/today-s-native-leaders>

The initiative offers:

- regional and national youth gatherings, opportunities, and services to develop leadership skills among yearly cohorts of tribal youth.
- The initiative spans a project period of four years and will support eight regional trainings and two national gatherings of tribal youth and their adult advisors.
- The initiative also offerings trainings via webinar for youth and adults seeking to start their own tribal youth council or plan and implement community service projects (these webinars are also archived)

The Tribal Youth Program Training and Technical Assistance Center: www.tribalyouthprogram.org

This TA Center offers:

- information and resources available to all OJJDP funded tribal youth programs and all federally recognized tribes to encourage the adoption of youth engagement efforts to strengthen a wide variety of youth programs
- Series of webinars on topics designed to strengthen youth programs, including archived webinars

OJJDP’s general Training and Technical Assistance Provider (<https://www.nttac.org/>)

This TA provider offers a host of resources for addressing the needs of youth. One resource of particular interest is OJJDP’s Online University

(<https://www.nttac.org/index.cfm?event=trainingCenter.homepage>) which can be searched by the keyword “tribal youth” to access specialized resources, including online courses on developing community collaborative partnerships.

Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Native American’s Resources: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana/resource-library>

ANA has developed a wide variety of resources to inform and connect with applicants, grantees and the public. The resource library includes guides, videos, fact sheets, reports, and webinars produced by ANA, our Technical Assistance Providers, our partners, and grantees. The available resources clarify ANA processes, provide technical assistance, teach about our funding opportunities, and show what our grantees are accomplishing across the country.

ANA’s Training and Technical Assistance Centers, in conjunction with ANA staff, have compiled a **Project Planning and Development Manual**. <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana/resource/project-planning-and-development-participant-manual>

The manual is designed to help organizations identify the root cause of the issue that they are trying to address, perform a community assessment, and develop a concept for a solid proposal. There is text for training as well as exercises incorporated in the document. Those who go through the manual should come out of it with a “conceptual project design” that can then be shopped around to various funders; therefore, it’s not ANA specific and can be utilized and applied broadly for other funders. It’s available on ANA’s website as a free download. Here’s the link:

Suicide Prevention Resource Center: <http://www.sprc.org/>

SPRC is the nation’s only federally supported resource center devoted to advancing the *National Strategy for Suicide Prevention*. The center provides technical assistance, training, and materials to increase the knowledge and expertise of suicide prevention practitioners and other professionals serving people at risk for suicide.

SAMHSA Tribal Training and TA Center: <http://www.samhsa.gov/tribal-ttac>

The Tribal Training and Technical Assistance (TTA) Center is funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The center uses a culturally relevant, evidence-based, holistic approach to support Native communities in their self-determination efforts through infrastructure development and capacity building, as well as program planning and implementation. The Tribal TTA Center provides training and technical assistance (TTA) on mental and substance use disorders, suicide prevention, and the promotion of mental health. The center offers Broad, Focused, and Intensive TTA to federally recognized tribes, other American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities, SAMHSA tribal grantees, and organizations serving Indian Country.

National American Indian/Alaska Native Addiction Technology Transfer Center (ATTC):

<http://attcnetwork.org/national-focus-areas/?rc=americanindian>

The National American Indian and Alaska Native (AI & AN) Addiction Technology Transfer Center (ATTC) provides educational opportunities for those interested in substance abuse treatment and counseling, including health professionals in primary prevention and treatment of substance abuse. The center is housed in the University of Iowa College of Public Health, and offers services nationwide for consulting, technical assistance, and continuing education seminars, focusing specifically on the American Indian and Alaska Native communities.

National Child Welfare Resource Center for Tribes: <http://www.nrc4tribes.org/>

The NRC4Tribes engages Tribes to increase their access to and use of HHS’ Training and Technical Assistance (T&TA) Network, brokers T&TA, assists in the provision of T&TA as needed, facilitates peer-to-peer consultation between Tribes regarding child welfare issues, and increases cultural competence and sensitivity to Tribal voices in the T&TA Network and in State child welfare systems. The NRC4Tribes addresses child welfare needs identified by Tribes, supports efforts for improved Tribal child welfare practice, and works with Tribal child welfare staff to achieve greater safety, permanency, and well-being for children and families. The NRC4Tribes also promotes the delivery of culturally appropriate services to American Indian and Alaska Native children, youth, and families. **Note: This center is no longer operating, but the website and all of its resources and materials are still accessible.**

Department of Labor

Workforce3 One Youth Connections site: <https://youth.workforce3one.org/page/home>

The Youth Connections Community of Practice is an online learning destination for public workforce system staff and partners who serve youth. This Website provides a central community for youth workforce practitioners, stakeholder partners, and others to discuss and share promising practices, access technical assistance tools, and share your own knowledge and expertise with your peers across the nation. Additionally, the site contains specific information on training opportunities for youth and youth workforce professionals, toolkits and other resources to help workforce system staff do their job better, and announcements about upcoming youth related events.

Indian and Native American Workforce3 One site: <https://ina.workforce3one.org/page/home>

Sources of Labor Market Information for the On-Reservation Indian Population
<https://winwin.workforce3one.org/view/2001304250641373846>