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<https://www.npr.org/2019/03/20/704926048/gorsuch-provides-decisive-5th-vote-in-case-interpreting-treaty-with-indian-tribe>

## [What's Wrong With This Diorama? You Can Read All About It](#)

By ANA FOTA

The American Museum of Natural History corrects a Native American story in full view of visitors, inviting them to “reconsider this scene.”

## [Anyone Speak K'iche' or Mam? Immigration Courts Overwhelmed by Indigenous Languages](#) By JENNIFER MEDINA

As more migrants arrive from Central America, the system is ill-equipped to handle the influx of those speaking indigenous languages.



[Last day of winter at Lake Tahoe.....](#)

## [Record-breaking flooding in Nebraska is visible from space](#) ERIC HOLTHAUS

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<https://www.indianz.com/News/2019/03/19/santee-sioux-tribe-getti...> - 94k - [similar pages](#) 1 day ago ... In the wake of unprecedented **flooding**, the Santee Sioux Tribe is seeking ... The **Winnebago Tribe** also provided water and baby supplies.

### [Oil Spill Still Leaking Into the Gulf of Mexico 15 Years Later](#)

*Omar Villafranca, CBS News*

Villafranca writes: "In 2004, Hurricane Ivan plowed across the Gulf of Mexico and triggered an oil spill that is still leaking. It's the longest continuous oil spill in American history." [READ MORE](#)

## **'Monumental step backwards': The \$1 billion gas pipeline project dividing New York**

OLIVER MILMAN



### **Films Highlight NV Water Issues for World Water Day**

March 20, 2019 - Suzanne Potter, Public News Service (NV)

*A large pit lake remains at the site of the abandoned Anaconda Copper Mine in Mason Valley, Nev. (Ian Bigley)*

LAS VEGAS - In honor of World Water Day, some new documentaries on water pipelines and mining pollution in Nevada are making their debut.

The films are being presented free to the public on Thursday night in Las Vegas, Friday night in Reno and Saturday at the Pyramid Lake Museum in Nixon.

Ian Bigley, mining justice organizer for the Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada, which produced the films, said one documentary, "Tainted Thirst," looks at the repercussions for local communities when mines leak highly toxic water that will have to be treated forever to make it safe.

"Once the perpetual pollution is set off, there's really no way of stopping it, so that's why we want a ban of it as a mine closure plan," he said. "If it likely is a perpetual treatment site, mine somewhere else - because beyond the pollution issue, it's inherently not an economical mine if you're going to pay to treat water for thousands of years."

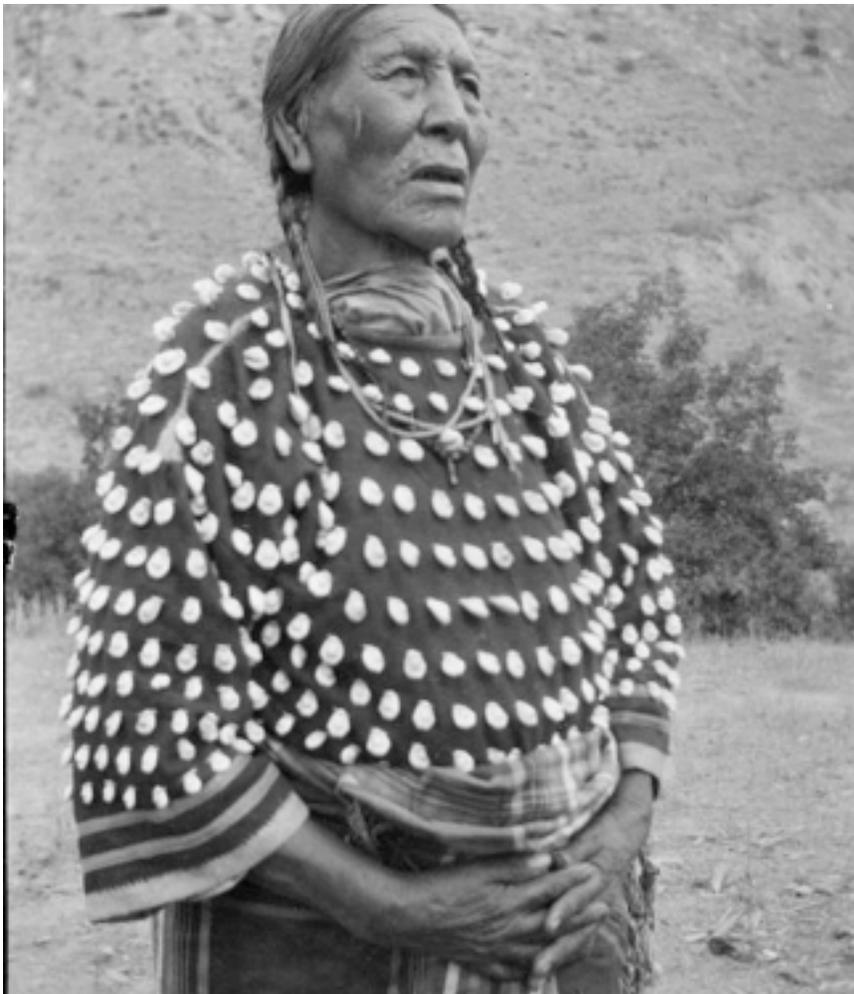
Nevada currently allows new mines to open with full disclosure that they will pollute the water indefinitely. So, advocates are calling for a ban on new mines that would require open-ended remediation.

More information about the films is on the [Facebook page of the Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada](#).

Many mine pits are dug below the water table and, when abandoned, fill up to become vast lakes. Glenn Miller, a retired professor of environmental chemistry at the University of Nevada-Reno and a board member of Great Basin Resource Watch, said he'd like to see the state regulate the mine pits more closely.

"The Rain Mine has, for the last 20 years, been draining seriously contaminated water," he said. "They are treating that water. But unless they move that waste rock dump, they are going to have that problem - and they may have it even after they move it. You know, the question is, what do we leave for future generations?"

A second documentary follows the story of the Great Basin Water Protectors, a Native American-led group that organized a long-distance run last summer from Great Basin National Park to Las Vegas to protest a proposed water pipeline.



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NATHANAEL JOHNSON

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[\*\*National Indigenous  
Women's Resource Center  
November 11, 2014\*\*](#) ·

**Minnie Hollow Wood (Lakota)** rode against the US military at the Battle of the Greasy Grass (Little Bighorn), and was one of the few women to earn the right to wear a warbonnet for her valor in battle. After being imprisoned at Fort Keogh, Minnie married a Cheyenne man and settled on the Northern Cheyenne reservation.

## [It's time for climate change communicators to listen to social science](#)

DAVID ROPEIK

### It Takes a Village:

*“Why do people have to be this lonely? What’s the point of it all? Millions of people in this world, all of them yearning, looking to others to satisfy them, yet isolating themselves. Why? Was the earth put here just to nourish human loneliness?” – Haruki Murakami*

*“The most fatal thing a man can do is try to stand alone.” – Carson McCullers*

*“I suppose all of my films have a common theme. If I think about it, though, the only theme I can think of is really a question: Why can’t people be happier together?” – Akira Kurosawa*



### **Norma Baker Flying Horse Featured at Paris Fashion Show – Pow Wow Life 21**

Posted By [Paul G](#) March 19th, 2019 Blog

[Norma](#) Baker Flying Horse is Hidatsa, Dakota Sioux, and Assiniboine. She is known for her Native American fashion designs. Norma's fashion work has grown from Pow Wow outfits to designing fashion for award shows like the Grammys and Oscars. Her dresses were recently featured in a Paris fashion show.

She dressed our own contributor [Corinne Oestrich](#) for the Grammy Awards.

Be sure to look below for your chance to win our Pow Wow Coloring Book! [Read More](#)

## Have you seen this Neon Light Hoop Dance video??

Posted By [Corinne Oestreich](#) March 19th, 2019 Blog

There is a video circulating on Facebook of Theland Kicknosway hoop dancing at the 2019 Little NHL Ceremonies!

If you haven't seen it, watch below!

Theland Kicknosway is Wolf Clan, is Potawatami and Cree, and is a member of Walpole Island in Southern Ontario. a singer, a grass & hoop dancer, and helps in ceremonies in many places. He enjoys going to school in the Ottawa region where he is a part of sports teams. He enjoys offering his gifts of song/dance/voice for all.

Theland [Kicknosway Facebook Page](#)

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**Generation Depressed:** A study published Thursday in the Journal of Abnormal Psychology finds [the percentage of US teens and young adults reporting mental distress, depression and suicidal thoughts and actions has risen significantly over the past decade](#). To find this increase in negative psychological states “among our vulnerable population of teens and young adults is absolutely heartbreaking,” said Jean Twenge, the psychologist who headed the study. Twenge and her colleagues analyzed data from a government survey that tracks mental health and substance use in Americans age 12 and over. The data included survey responses from more than 200,000 adolescents ages 12 to 17 and almost 400,000 young adults ages 18 and over between 2005 and 2017. Twenge believes the rise in smartphones and social media use is a significant factor. In earlier research, Twenge found the more time teens and young adults spend with phones and social media, the greater the risk of depressive symptoms. Other researchers are skeptical of the study’s findings, suggesting the rise in mental health issues could be explained by other factors such as the opioid crisis. (NPR) Additional read: [The Well-Meaning Bad Ideas Spoiling a Generation: Psychologist Jonathan Haidt on politics, morality, and the coddling of the American mind](#). (Nautilus)

*“When we are children we seldom think of the future. This innocence leaves us free to enjoy ourselves as few adults can. The day we fret about the future is the day we leave our childhood behind.” – Patrick Rothfuss*

*“Don’t you find it odd,” she continued, “that when you’re a kid, everyone, all the world, encourages you to follow your dreams. But when you’re older, somehow they act offended if you even try.” – Ethan Hawke*

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## Funding Deadlines Courtesy of SWOIP/HUD

Agency/ Source	Deadline To Apply	Additional Information

<b>Planning Initiative to Build Bridges Between Jail and Community-Based Treatment.</b> (DOJ/BJA)	<b>March 25</b>	POC: Tara Kunkel, DOJ, <a href="mailto:Tara.Kunkel@usdoj.gov">Tara.Kunkel@usdoj.gov</a> . America's correctional facilities sit at the epicenter of the opioid overdose crisis. Nationally, nearly one in five people entering local jails has an opioid use disorder (OUD), and some states estimate that a majority of their residents with OUDs pass through the doors of their jails each year. The high prevalence of OUDs in the jail population is especially concerning given the high rates of overdose post-release. Studies have estimated that formerly incarcerated people are significantly more likely to die of a drug overdose in the two weeks immediately post-release than are members of the general population. Individuals with OUDs who leave jail untreated also may continue their drug use, which can contribute to recidivism and reincarceration. Eligible applicants are limited to units of local government and federally-recognized Indian tribal governments. More info. at: <a href="https://protect2.fireeye.com/url?k=a6bc2109-fae83875-a6bc1036-0cc47adc5fa2-521ac5ec2ce48203&amp;u=https://www.coapresources.org/ItemsOfInterest/FundingOpportunities">https://protect2.fireeye.com/url?k=a6bc2109-fae83875-a6bc1036-0cc47adc5fa2-521ac5ec2ce48203&amp;u=https://www.coapresources.org/ItemsOfInterest/FundingOpportunities</a>
<b>Native American set-aside and non-Native funds available</b> (USDA - RD)	<b>March 29</b>	USDA financing available to support rural businesses and create jobs. The Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG) is a competitive grant designed to aid local governments, nonprofit organizations and Federally-recognized Native American Tribes in providing targeted technical assistance, training and other activities leading to the development or expansion of small and emerging private businesses in rural areas. There are NO direct grants to individuals or businesses. The RBDG allocation for Arizona is estimated to be approx. \$300,000. The estimated number of awards is typically 8-10 grants ranging from \$25,000 to \$70,000 each. Smaller requests are given higher priority. Grant applications requesting Native American Congressionally mandated funds will be awarded competitively through a national competition. Programmatic activities are separated into enterprise or opportunity type grant activities, with opportunity type grant funding being limited to 10% of the total RBDG annual funding. For more info., visit the RBDG program website at: <a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/files/fact-sheet/RD-FactSheet-RBS-RBDG.pdf">http://www.rd.usda.gov/files/fact-sheet/RD-FactSheet-RBS-RBDG.pdf</a> or contact Don Irby, at (928) 759-9301, extension, 106 or at <a href="mailto:don.irby@az.usda.gov">don.irby@az.usda.gov</a> .
<b>Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program (NPS)</b>	<b>April 1</b>	National Park Service applications for \$5 million in grants to support the preservation of historic buildings in rural communities across the country that are listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Program funding will support the rehabilitation of historic properties in our nation's rural communities, shine a light on unique local history, & foster economic development. Projects will include physical preservation at historic sites (incl. architectural/engineering services). Applicant must explain the proposed programs objectives, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe the historic resources eligible to apply &amp; their significance at the National, State, Tribal, or local level.</li> <li>• Discuss how this program will preserve the history of the rural community for future generations.</li> <li>• Define how the program will foster economic development of rural communities.</li> </ul> More info. about the HRSP grants, including application materials, is available at <a href="http://go.nps.gov/revitalization">http://go.nps.gov/revitalization</a> . To confirm rural eligibility: <a href="https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/">https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/</a>
<b>EPA Tribal Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program</b>	<b>April 3</b>	The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Office of Transportation & Air Quality is soliciting applications nationwide for tribal projects that achieve significant reductions in diesel emissions and diesel emissions exposure, particularly from fleets located in areas designated as having poor air quality. EPA anticipates \$2 million will be awarded to eligible tribal applicants. Under this solicitation, only tribal governments (or intertribal consortiums) or Alaska Native villages, which have jurisdiction over transportation or air quality, are eligible to apply. EPA will host a <a href="#">webinar</a> on the funding opportunity Feb. 21, 2019, at 2 p.m. Eastern Time. <a href="#">Learn more and apply.</a>
<b>Agency/Source</b>	<b>Deadline To Apply</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>

<b>Rural Economic Development Innovation (REDI) initiative (USDA)</b>	<b>April 5 Letters of Interest Deadline (Optional): March 8, 2019</b>	USDA and four of its partners are now accepting applications from rural communities, tribes and regions for free technical assistance to implement economic development planning projects. Participation in REDI will enable a tribe, rural community, or region, to create economic development plans that include evidence-based assessments; quantifiable goals; plans to improve the local and regional economy; and metrics to track implementation and progress. Rural communities and tribes with 50,000 or fewer people are eligible to apply. USDA and REDI Cooperators will score, review and select applications on a competitive basis. <a href="mailto:RD.Innovation@osec.usda.gov">Download the application</a> or request it here at <a href="mailto:RD.Innovation@osec.usda.gov">RD.Innovation@osec.usda.gov</a> .
<b>Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration for Native Americans (ANA) FY2019 Funding Opportunities</b>	<b>April 15</b>	(FY) 2019 funds for community-based projects for the Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) program. Tourism falls under the priorities for Economic Development funding, incl.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tourism – Planning/developing resources, services, &amp; businesses that promote travel, recreation, and tourism, or branding to tell the story of Native Americans as the First Peoples of the United States. Projects may utilize the arts or other cultural resources to help revitalize Native communities, promote economic development, increase livability, and present the uniqueness of the Native communities to visitors in a way that celebrates the diversity of the United States.</li> <li>• Economic Infrastructure – Addressing economic infrastructure needs that will strengthen business development and job creation in native communities.</li> <li>• Entrepreneurship and Microbusiness – Promoting entrepreneurial development through business incubators and other activities that support businesses and market the availability of local products or services.</li> <li>• Place-based Strategies – Using a tribe or community’s local or regional assets and resources and collaborating with multiple stakeholders to address economic development barriers.</li> </ul> For More Info.: <a href="http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana/assistance">http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana/assistance</a>
<b>HHS ANA 2019 Funding Opportunities</b>	<b>April 15</b>	Our <a href="#">training and technical assistance teams</a> offer free technical assistance to all potential applicants for the following funding opportunities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance (P&amp;M)</li> <li>• Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance – Esther Martinez Immersion (EMI)</li> <li>• Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS)</li> <li>• Environmental Regulatory Enhancement (ERE)</li> <li>• Social and Economic Development Strategies for Alaska (SEDS-AK)</li> </ul> Get started by downloading the FOAs from <a href="http://www.grants.gov">www.grants.gov</a> . If you’re not certain about which FOA to apply for, read descriptions of <a href="#">our three main program areas</a> on our website. Also <a href="#">the Pre-Application Training Manual</a> ,.
<b>Social and Economic Development Strategies – SEDS HHS–2018–ACF–ANA–NA–1339</b>	<b>April 15</b>	HHS grants for tribal community-based organizations, tribes, and village governments for social and economic infrastructure development. This program is focused on community-driven projects designed to grow local economies, strengthen Native American families, including the preservation of Native American cultures, and decrease the high rate of current challenges caused by the lack of community-based businesses, and social and economic infrastructure in Native American communities. Native American communities include American Indian tribes (federally-recognized and non-federally recognized), Native Hawaiians, Alaskan Natives, and Native American Pacific Islanders. Click <a href="#">here</a> to review program guidelines.
<a href="#">FY 2019 Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children’s Health Grant Program</a>	<b>April 19</b>	SAMHSA’s Project LAUNCH program is to promote the wellness of young children, from birth to 8 years of age, by addressing social, emotional, cognitive, physical, and behavioral aspects of their development. It is expected that this program will provide local communities or tribes the opportunity to disseminate effective and innovative early childhood mental health practices & services, ultimately leading to better outcomes for young children & families. <a href="#">Learn More About This Grant</a>
<b>California Tribal Initiative to Reduce Tobacco-Related Disparities</b>	<b>April 25</b>	The purpose of the California Tribal Initiative to Reduce Tobacco-Related Disparities is to address commercial tobacco-related disparities affecting the American Indian population by directly funding California Tribal Governments and Tribal Government Agencies. This Request for Application (RFA) seeks to fund Tribal Governments to reduce commercial tobacco-related health disparities in American Indian communities through tribal approaches focused on commercial tobacco use prevention and reduction, collaboration, and community engagement. The term tobacco used in this RFA refers to commercial tobacco products. This RFA does not seek to impinge upon the sacred use of tobacco (traditional tobacco) in American Indian Communities. More info. at: <a href="#">California Tribal Grants to Reduce Tobacco-Related Disparities</a>

<b>Funding to Deploy Energy Infrastructure on Tribal Lands (DOE)</b>	 <b>May 1</b>	<p>U.S. Dept.of Energy (DOE) – \$17 million in new funding to deploy energy infrastructure on tribal lands for projects interested in harnessing their vast undeveloped energy resources. Through grants awarded, DOE intends to provide financial support to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Topic Area 1: Install energy generating system(s) and/or energy efficiency measure(s) for Tribal Building(s)</li> <li>2. Topic Area 2: Deploy community–scale energy generating system(s) on Tribal Lands</li> <li>3. Topic Area 3: Install energy system(s) for autonomous operation (independent of the traditional centralized electric power grid) to power a single or multiple essential tribal facilities during emergency situations or for tribal community resilience</li> </ol> <p>The intended results of the 50% cost–shared projects selected under this FOA are to reduce or stabilize energy costs and increase energy security and resilience for Indian tribes and Alaska Native villages. The full FOA is <a href="#">available online</a>. Read more in the <a href="#">press release</a>.</p>
<a href="#">First Responders–Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act</a>	 <b>May 6</b>	<p>SAMHSA is accepting applications for First Responders–Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (FR–CARA) Grants. Recipients will train and provide resources to first responders and members of other key community sectors at the state, tribal, and local governmental levels on carrying and administering a drug or device approved or cleared under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for emergency treatment of known or suspected opioid overdose. Recipients will also establish processes; protocols; mechanisms for referral to appropriate treatment and recovery communities; and safety around fentanyl, carfentanil, and other dangerous licit and illicit drugs. SAMHSA plans to issue 45 grants of up to \$800,000 per year for up to 4 years. <a href="#">Learn More About This Grant</a></p>
<b>USDA Broadband Pilot Program</b>	<b>May 29 May 31 June 28</b>	<p>The U.S. Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) is offering up to \$600 million in loans and grants to help build broadband infrastructure in rural America: \$200 million for grants (applications due May 31), \$200 million for loan and grant combinations (applications due May 29), and \$200 million for low–interest loans (applications due by June 28). Given the varying closing dates for each funding type, applicants will be limited to one application for this FOA. Projects funded through this initiative must serve communities with fewer than 20,000 people with no broadband service or where service is slower than 10 megabits per second (mbps) download and 1 mbps upload. States, local governments, nonprofit entities, for–profit corporations, a territory or possession of the United States, and Indian tribes are eligible to apply. <a href="#">Learn more and apply</a>.</p>
<b>THE SEVENTH GENERATION FUND FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES</b>	<b>June 7; and Oct. 11</b>	<p>Grants for projects that focus on community organizing, issue advocacy, cultural revitalization, strengthening Indigenous knowledge systems and practices, and Native leadership development. The following grant programs will be offered in 2019: Thriving Women Program and Land Defenders and Water Protectors Program. Grants will range from \$250 to \$50,000. <b>The proposal deadlines for this year are 3/1, 6/7, and 10/11/2019.</b> Visit the Fund’s website <a href="#">here</a> to learn more about each program and to download the application materials.</p>
<b>FY 2019 Land Buy–Back Program for Tribal Nations</b>	<b>Sept. 30, 2019</b>	<p>U.S. Dept. of Interior’s program to implement the land consolidation provisions of the Cobell Settlement Agreement, which provided \$1.9 billion to consolidate fractional land interests across Indian country. The Buy–Back Program allows interested individual owners to sell their land for immediate transfer to the recognized tribe that exercises jurisdiction. More info. at: <a href="https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=309293">https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=309293</a></p>
<b>Indian Loan Guaranty, Insurance, and Interest Subsidy Program (DOI)</b>	<b>Open</b>	<p>This 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:</p> <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> <p>For more information, 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>.</p>
<b>Rural Broadband Loans &amp; Loan Guarantees (USDA)</b>	<b>Open</b>	<p>Broadband Program furnishes loans and loan guarantees to provide funds for the costs of construction, improvement, or acquisition of facilities and equipment needed to provide service at the broadband lending speed in eligible rural areas. For more info. on other programs administered by Rural Utility Service (RUS) Telecommunications visit: <a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/all-programs/telecom-programs">http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/all-programs/telecom-programs</a></p>

<b>Community Facilities Fund (LISC)</b>	<b>Ongoing</b>	RURAL LISC (Local Initiatives Support Corporation) created the Community Facilities Fund to provide capital to help develop and improve essential community facilities in rural areas. Rural LISC utilizes this fund to provide permanent and construction-to-permanent financing for rural community facilities, including health care centers, hospitals, educational facilities, and other nonprofit and public facilities in rural communities with populations under 20,000. Click <a href="#">here</a> for more information.
<b>Justice Department Announces Funding Opportunities for Tribal Communities</b>	<b>Open</b>	<a href="#">Justice Department Announces Funding Opportunities for Tribal Communities</a> 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>FY2018 Disaster Supplemental Notice of Funding (EDA)</b>	<b>Open</b>	The Economic Development Administration (EDA) has published the <a href="#">Fiscal Year 2018 (FY2018) Disaster Supplemental Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)</a> making \$587 million available to eligible grantees in communities impacted by natural disasters in 2017. <b>Current Closing Date for Applications:</b> There are no application deadlines and the agency will accept proposals on a rolling basis until the publication of a new Disaster Supplemental NOFO, cancellation of this NOFO, or all funds are obligated.
<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>Agency/Source</b>	<b>Deadline To Apply</b>	
<b>USDA WATER &amp; WASTE DISPOSAL LOANS &amp; GRANTS</b>	<b>Open</b>	USDA's <a href="#">Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant Program</a> provides loans and grants for clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and storm water drainage to households and businesses in rural areas with a population of 10,000 or less. In some cases, funding may also be available for related activities such as legal and engineering fees, land acquisition, water and land rights, permits and equipment and other activities necessary to complete a project. <b>Eligible Applicants:</b> state and local governmental entities, private non-profits, and federally-recognized tribes who are unable to obtain commercial credit. <b>How to Apply:</b> apply now by using the online application tool <a href="#">RDApply</a> .
<b>Indian Land Tenure Foundation - Land Recovery Efforts</b>	<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>
<b>Environmental Infrastructure Loan Program (RCAC)</b>	<b>Open</b>	RCAC's Loan Program helps create, improve or expand the supply of safe drinking water, waste disposal systems and other facilities that serve rural communities by providing the early funds small rural communities need to determine feasibility and pay pre-development costs prior to receiving state &/or federal program funding. May also provide interim construction financing, and intermediate & long-term loans for system improvements. <b>ELIGIBILITY:</b> Nonprofit organizations, public agencies and tribal governments. <b>ELIGIBLE AREA:</b> 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 and short-term loans for which USDA is the long-term lender. Eligible projects include water, wastewater, solid waste & storm water facilities. Contact <a href="mailto:Juanita.Hallstrom@rcac.org">Juanita Hallstrom</a> , <a href="mailto:jhallstrom@rcac.org">jhallstrom@rcac.org</a> or visit <a href="http://www.rcac.org">www.rcac.org</a>

<b>National Endowment for the Arts “Our Town” Grant Program</b>	<b>Open</b>	Program supports creative placemaking projects that help to transform communities into lively, beautiful, and resilient places – achieving these community goals through strategies that incorporate arts, culture, and/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 3-year history of programming; and • Local govt counties, parishes, cities, towns, villages, or federally recognized tribal governments. Local arts agencies or other departments, agencies, or entities within an eligible local government may submit the application on behalf of that local government. More at: <a href="https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/our-town/introduction">https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/our-town/introduction</a>
<b>Financial Literacy Funding</b>	<b>Open</b>	- <a href="#">Discover Foundation</a> . Applications accepted year-round.
<b>Direct Home Loans for Native Americans</b>	<b>Open</b>	(Managing Agency <a href="#">Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA)</a> ) – The NADL 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> . <b>General Program Requirements:</b> 1. The applicant must be an eligible Veteran. 2. The tribal organization or other appropriate Native American group must be participating in the VA direct loan program. The tribal organization must have signed a MOU with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, that spells out the conditions under which the program will operate on its trust lands. 3. Apply for a Certificate of Eligibility. 4. The loan must be to purchase, construct, or improve a home on Native American trust land. 5. The Veteran must occupy the property as his or her primary residence. 6. The Veteran must be a satisfactory credit risk.

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**The Weltkulturen Museum in Frankfurt was looking to identify a Native man in a poster. The story garnered national attention including a story in NPR’s Weekend Edition**  
By Vincent Schilling

**Mystery Solved!**  
**Name found of Native man in headdress that was sought by German museum**

*Associate editor note: This article is a narrative of sorts outlining my investigation to discover the name of the Native man in a headdress in a photo posted by the Weltkulturen Museum in Frankfurt.*

Last week, the Weltkulturen Museum in the city of Frankfurt, Germany, posted a photograph of an unidentified Native man wearing a plains-style headdress on Facebook asking to identify the man by name.

The man was in a poster that was slotted to be part of a museum exhibit titled: PLAKATIERT! Reflexionen des indigenen Nordamerika or roughly translated: Posted! Reflections of Indigenous North America. According to the curators, the exhibit contains posters of Native Americans in the 1970s mentioned in health, art, education, and religion and was compiled students at Goethe University.



After just a few phone calls, I discovered the man's name was Frank Fools Crow.

[Click here to read more how the Native man was identified](#)