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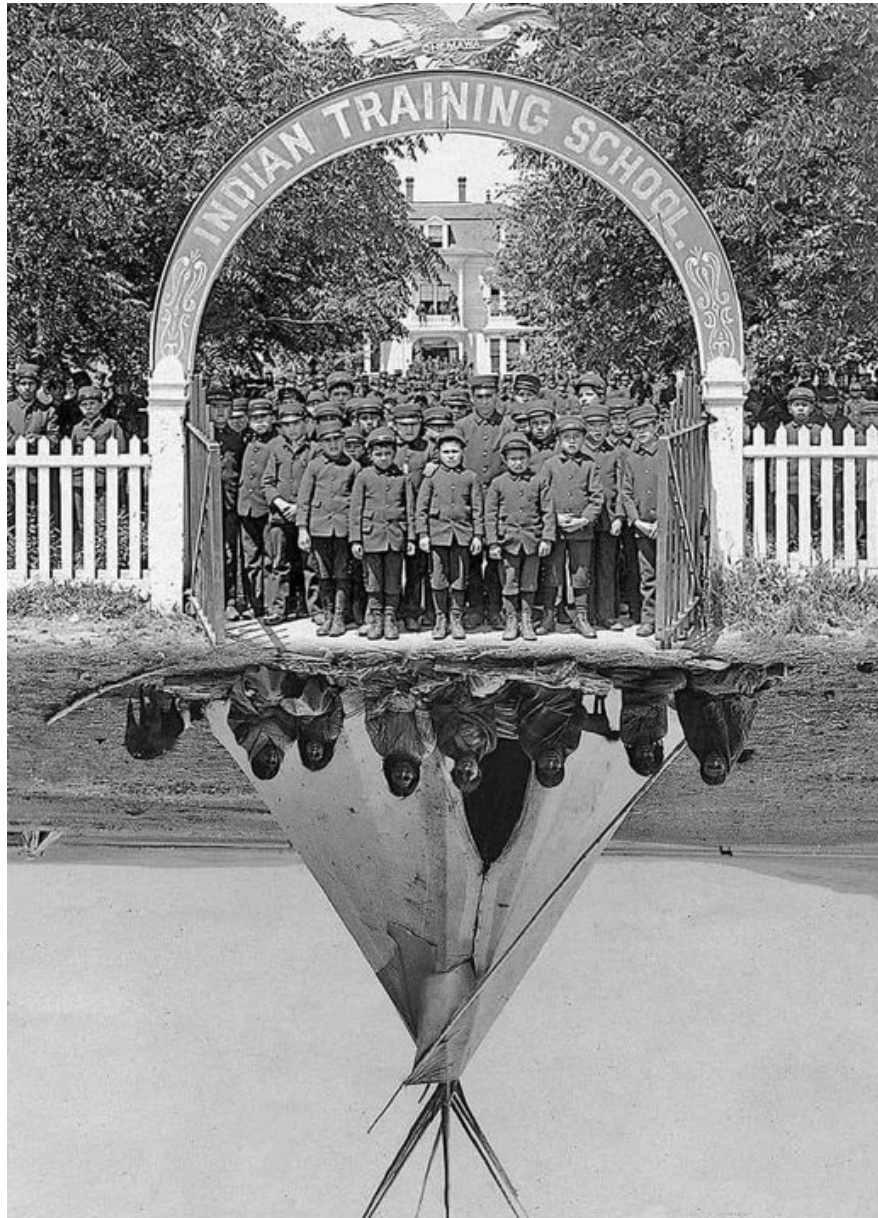
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Inflation Reduction Act Marks U.S.'s Biggest Investment in Fighting the Climate Crisis

Experts call the legislation a "historic" step towards a greener future

<https://alumni.berkeley.edu/california-magazine/2023-spring-summer/inflation-reduction-act-marks-u-s-s-biggest-investment-in-fighting-the-climate-crisis/>

National Opportunities

[\\$50,000 Grants Advance STEM Education for Women of Color](#)

F5's STEM Education Grant aims to help build the pipeline of female changemakers and future leaders by investing in programs to increase access to STEM education and career opportunities for girls and women of color.

[Funding Promotes Innovative Law-Related Programs](#)

The American Bar Endowment's Opportunity Grant Program provides funding for new and innovative law-related projects and programs of importance to the public and the legal profession in the United States.

[Support Available for Environmental Health and Justice Work](#)

Through its Small Grants Program, the Center for Health, Environment and Justice provides support for grassroots groups working on environmental health and justice issues in the United States.

[Art and Education Projects Funded](#)

The Brooks and Joan Fortune Family Foundation was established to support education and the arts.

Regional Opportunities

[Support Addresses Racial Disparities in AL, FL, GA, LA, and MS](#)

The SEG Gives Foundation, the charitable arm of Southeastern Grocers Inc., is now accepting applications from nonprofit organizations in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, and Mississippi through the 2023 Romay Davis Belonging, Inclusion and Diversity Grant.

[Grants Enhance Health Equity in Kansas](#)

The purpose of Kansas Health Foundation's Building Power and Equity Partnership Initiative is to advance racial and health equity by building and increasing the power and influence of organizations serving communities with the greatest racial and health disparities.

[Reproductive Justice Organizing Supported in the Northwest](#)

Social Justice Fund Northwest's 2023 Reproductive Justice Grant will support grassroots, community organizing efforts that advance the movement for reproductive justice in Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming.

[Funds Provided for the Preservation of New York Public Lands](#)

Parks & Trails New York works to expand, protect, and promote a network of parks, trails, and open spaces throughout New York State for use and enjoyment by all.

Federal Opportunities

Forestry Efforts Supported

The USDA Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry 2023 Challenge Cost Share Grant Program works in partnership to restore, sustain, and manage more than 140 million acres of urban and community forest lands for the benefit of communities in the United States.

Program Improves Housing for Veterans

The Veterans Housing Rehabilitation and Modification Pilot Program provides support to rehabilitate and modify the primary residence of veterans who are low income and have disabilities.

Milbank Foundation

The Milbank Foundation's primary mission is to integrate people with disabilities into all aspects of American life. The Foundation's current priorities include consumer-focused, community-based initiatives that empower people with disabilities and foster independence and self-sufficiency; the rehabilitation and reintegration of veterans, especially veterans with disabilities; programs that address mental health issues and aim to prevent substance abuse and suicide, especially among young people; helping seniors to age in the place of their choice through non-institutional, community-based health and social services; and market-oriented, patient-centered healthcare reforms across the country. Learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.

Idaho Food Bank Fund

The Idaho Food Bank Fund provides financial support to local nonprofits that distribute food or provide nutrition education for people experiencing food insecurity throughout the state. Grant funding is available to provide nutrition awareness, promote healthy eating, or relieve hunger. Learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.



Wild Animal Initiative

The mission of the Wild Animal Initiative is to advance the field of wild animal welfare science. The Initiative's grant program funds academic research on high-priority questions in wild animal welfare. Applications are currently being accepted for Seed Grants. Learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.

Collaborations Promote Climate Action in the U.S., Argentina, Chile, Paraguay, and Uruguay

100,000 Strong in the Americas

Partners of the Americas and the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs at the U.S. Department of State invite higher education institutions (HEIs) from the United States and Argentina, Chile, Paraguay, and Uruguay to create partnerships to submit proposals for consideration in a grant competition offered by the 100,000 Strong in the Americas Innovation Fund, Alliance for Climate Action (100K CLIMA). Support is provided for innovative partnerships between HEIs

that will create access to inclusive, climate-focused, student and faculty exchange programs between these countries (both virtually and in person), as well as strategic climate action projects. Up to six grants of up to \$50,000 each will be awarded. The deadline to apply is July 31, 2023. *Tribal colleges to collaborate with tribal organizations in the region?*

\$20 Billion in Grant Competitions to Advance Clean Technology Projects in Communities

Today, EPA announced the launch of two Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFOs) for \$20 billion across two grant competitions under the historic \$27 billion Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, an Inflation Reduction Act program central to President Biden’s Investing in America Agenda and environmental justice goals. Please find [EPA’s press release on the announcement here](#) and the [White House’s fact sheet on the announcement here](#). EPA Administrator Michael

The \$14 billion National Clean Investment Fund will provide grants to support two-to-three national clean financing institutions, enabling them to partner with the private sector to provide accessible, affordable financing for tens of thousands of clean technology projects nationwide. The \$6 billion Clean Communities Investment Accelerator will provide grants to support up to seven hub nonprofit organizations, enabling them to provide funding and technical assistance to public, quasi-public, not-for-profit, and non-profit community lenders working in communities with environmental justice concerns—supporting the goal that every community in the country has access to the resources they need to fund clean technology projects. Please find the [National Clean Investment Fund NOFO here](#) and the [Clean Communities Investment Accelerator NOFO here](#).

EPA will host at least one public informational webinar for each competition to provide information on the grant competitions and the application processes. The details and registration links for each are below. The webinars will be recorded and posted on [EPA’s GGRF webpage](#).

- National Clean Investment Fund webinar: July 26, 2023, 3:00pm – 5:00pm ET ([Register Here](#)).
- Clean Communities Investment Accelerator webinar: July 27, 2023, 11:00am – 1:00pm ET ([Register Here](#)).
- Tools and resources for prospective applicants, including webinar information and helpful templates, can be found on [EPA’s GGRF webpage](#).

Background:

Today’s announcement builds on the **\$7 billion Solar for All competition**. Together, these three Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund competitions represent a **\$27 billion investment** to combat the climate crisis by mobilizing financing and private capital for greenhouse gas- and air pollution-reducing projects in communities across the country.

National Endowment for the Humanities

- [Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections](#) - Supports preservation assessments and implementation of preventive conservation projects. **Next anticipated deadline: January 12, 2024.**

Society of American Archivists

- [SAA National Disaster Recovery Fund](#) - rolling applications

Senate Appropriations Committee Includes \$20 Million for Scenic Byways in FY24

We are thrilled to share this update on the appropriations process for FY24. On July 22, 2023, the Senate Appropriations Committee took a significant step towards securing continuing funding for scenic byways by including a [\\$20 million allocation for the National Scenic Byways Program in the Fiscal Year 2024 budget](#).

The funding allocation comes as a remarkable boost for scenic byways across the country, which play a crucial role in showcasing the natural beauty and cultural heritage of our nation. This financial support will help enhance the preservation and maintenance of these scenic routes, ensuring that they continue to captivate travelers and offer enriching experiences for years to come.

As advocates for scenic byways and their positive impact on local communities, we are thrilled with this development. This investment represents a remarkable opportunity to foster tourism, stimulate local economies, and provide access to some of the most breathtaking landscapes America has to offer.

We want to express our gratitude to all those who have been part of this effort and have championed the cause of scenic byways, including the members of the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations, as well as the Senate and House Subcommittees on

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies. Your ongoing support and dedication are very important to us.

Let's continue our commitment to the preservation and promotion of these treasured scenic routes. Together, we can inspire countless travelers to embark on memorable journeys, immersing themselves in the beauty and history of our diverse landscapes.

Thank you for being part of this journey with us, and we look forward to sharing more updates as we progress further. You can read more about this exciting development [here](#).

Sincerely, Scenic America



Department of the Interior Announces Nearly \$300 Million to Support

Policy updates expand opportunities

WASHINGTON — The Department of the Interior announced the distribution of \$295,582,830 from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) today to all 50 states, U.S. territories, and the District of Columbia. Recent changes to the LWCF Manual guide Tribes and clarify eligibility to ensure all federally recognized Tribes can take part in and support future public projects. The funds from this year's distribution will be available until fiscal year 2025.

"The Land and Water Conservation Fund helps further President Biden's commitment to investing in America's outdoors, and safeguarding the environment," said **Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland**. "These grants to local governments, will inspire collaborative conservation and improves equitable access to the outdoors for all."

Along with this year's LWCF distribution, the National Park Service is releasing an update to the LWCF Manual with Tribes and underserved communities during the development of their Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans (SCORPs) to clarify eligibility to receive LWCF funds. It also prioritizes the creation of parks in underserved communities. While Tribes receive LWCF grants, the changes to the Manual are intended to clarify this availability and encourage Tribal governments to apply for grants.

"All communities are deserving of local outdoor recreation," said **National Park Service Director Chuck Sarnecky**. "The Land and Water Conservation Fund, the National Park Service is proud to help communities and local governments upgrade their outdoor recreation facilities, the most beneficial and enriching to their community, so that everyone is able to take part in outdoor recreation opportunities."

Since its inception in 1965, LWCF has funded \$5.2 billion to support more than 45,000 projects in every corner of the country. LWCF which is administered by the National Park Service, supports increased public access to and protection of public lands including national parks, forests, wildlife refuges, and recreation areas — and provides matching grants to Tribes to support the acquisition and development of land for public parks and other outdoor recreation sites.

The allocation for each state and territory is determined through a formula set in the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act. States and territories further allocate these funds to local projects, usually through a competitive process. The Biden-Harris administration's [America the Beautiful](#) initiative by supporting locally led outdoor recreation and enhancing our nation's public lands and waters.

Fiscal Year 2023 Total Apportionments by State/Territory

This is the most dangerous species on earth. They eat almost everything and are mercilessly



destroying their surroundings. And when they are done with their destruction, they move to other areas and start consuming again without limits. And the otherne is just a fish with big teeth.

Stefan Aalekjær Hansen

Rapid City, SD –[NDN Collective](#) launched **LANDBACK For the People**, a new monthly podcast getting back to the origins of the LANDBACK movement, digging deep into history, while looking towards the future of Indigenous liberation where everyone has a place in the circle to bring their gifts, skills, and their love for people and the land.

The first episode is available with video on [YouTube](#), as well as on [Spotify](#), [Apple Music](#), [Amazon Music](#), [SoundCloud](#) and [Audible](#).

The podcast will feature new episodes monthly and is hosted by NDN Collective president and CEO Nick Tilsen. Nick delves into past and present LANDBACK struggles across Turtle Island and the Indigenous world, lifting up the revolutionary strides within the liberation movement for Indigenous Peoples and their homelands.

Featuring conversations with Indigenous organizers, activists, matriarchs, and protectors from across Turtle Island, LANDBACK For the People provides an up-close-and-personal experience that is bold, action-oriented, and solution-focused. Topics include past and present liberatory movements, reclaiming Indigenous lifeways, rebuilding Indigenous economies, and getting Indigenous lands back into Indigenous hands.



Fierce Matriarch, Madonna Thunder Hawk, was the first guest on NDN Collective’s new podcast, LANDBACK for the People. Photo by Willi White for NDN Collective.

Civil rights pioneer Madonna Thunder Hawk, was the podcast’s first guest. During her interview, she says, “You know, this is our land. We’re the only ones to have title to the Black Hills. And no one’s going to know about it unless we make it known. And that’s what we did. So, yeah, of course, land back. That goes way back, you know, even before my time.”

“I come into this recognizing that the LANDBACK movement is the Red Power movement of our generation,” **said Nick Tilsen, president and CEO of NDN Collective.** “I am somebody who was raised up in the American Indian Movement by parents who were active in the movement. And I watch all throughout Indian Country all these amazing Indigenous people that are rising up, fighting for Mother Earth, rising up, fighting for their lands, rising up, fighting for their rights.”

LANDBACK For the People provides an up-close-and-personal experience that is bold, action-oriented, and solution-focused. Photo by Willi White for NDN Collective.

“During the interview Madonna shared a sentiment, and she said that this show was exciting for her because this wasn’t a platform they had access to back in her time,” **said Willi White, head of content and production at NDN Collective.** “Especially a podcast by our own people. That stuck with me, because as an Indigenous person I became a storyteller so that our people had a place at the table in spaces like Hollywood. And now we’re building our own table and bringing

our own chairs to sit at it. And that's powerful. I hope this show can be another resource for our people as we build Indigenous power and work toward the liberation of our peoples."

[Enjoy Episode 1 of the LANDBACK For the People Podcast Here](#)

[NDN Collective is an Indigenous-led organization dedicated to building Indigenous power. Through organizing, activism, philanthropy, grantmaking, capacity-building, and](#)

[LANDBACK FOR THE PEOPLE](#) illuminates the power and complexities of the LANDBACK movement. Featuring conversations with Matriarchs, and Protectors from Turtle Island, along with global allies at the center of their own LANDBACK struggles, [LAN](#) and-personal experience that is bold, action-oriented, and solution-focused.

As we continue to build Indigenous power, we hope that the stories we'll tell on this show will be a vital resource to bring u

[Watch Episode 2 of LANDBACK For the People Here](#)

In episode 2, Nick Tilsen sits with Sunny, Hermus, and Anissa, local organizers in Rapid City, SD working on NI campaign. Together they start to unpack the linkage between racism and LANDBACK. The trio shares personal fight against racism in the Hesapa.

[Ep. 3: 'Āina Back for the Hawaiian Kingdom](#)

[narrative change, we are creating sustainable solutions on Indigenous terms.](#)

In episode 3, host Nick invites André Perez and Camille Kalama to unpack the ongoing fight for 'Āina Back. As fight to liberate the land, the people, and in this episode we're reminded about the importance of leaning into o partake in healing our relationship with mother earth.

In Unity,
NDN Collective

NDN Collective Grants and Fellowship

An entire system of wealth has been built from Indigenous lands and assets through extraction and removal. The NDN Foundation was formed to rematriate wealth back to Indigenous hands under Indigenous control. We seek to honor and resource our Peoples' prosperity and self-determination.

—Gaby Strong, Managing Director (Sisseton-Wahpeton Dakota)

NDN Foundation's grantmaking upholds our mission to build the collective power of Indigenous Peoples, communities and Nations to exercise our inherent right to self-determination while fostering a world that is built on a foundation of justice and equity for all people and the planet.

As changemakers, we are committed to dramatically increasing philanthropic investment into Indigenous-led organizations and modeling a mindset of abundance. We integrate culture and ceremony into our work and acknowledge and pay respects to our elders and past while taking control of our future. We believe in, invest in and support Indigenous self-determination, free and liberated thought and expression, Indigenous genius and ingenuity, working toward sustainable community-based solutions and the interconnectedness of all things.

Our grantmaking will support and advance these values and the following three core principles and strategies:

Defend – Indigenous Peoples, communities and Nations defend and protect our land, air, water, and natural resources from negative resource extraction and exploitation.

Develop – Indigenous Peoples, communities, and Nations are developed in a regenerative and sustainable manner based on our values and connection to land, culture and identity.

Decolonize – Indigenous ceremonies, cultures, languages, and ways of life are revitalized, recognized and celebrated. We use grantmaking as a temporary tool with the hope that our movements for liberation and justice will end its necessity. We use it less for charitable purposes, but for mutual aide, solidarity with movement builders and in the spirit of intentional reciprocity.

Who We Fund

NDN's geographic grantmaking focus is Turtle Island (also known as North America), which includes the post-colonial regions of the United States and the U.S. territories of American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, as well as Canada and Mexico. We honor the self-determination of Indigenous people of Turtle Island through all of our grantmaking.

United like never before, we rise together — arm-in-arm — to equip all Indigenous Peoples with the tools needed to become architects of our future. Through a holistic approach to infrastructure, funding, advocacy, movement building, and philanthropy we are fostering a world of justice and equity for all people and the planet.

Could Neighborhood Reuse Be the Future of Water?

<https://www.yesmagazine.org/environment/2023/07/11/water-recycling>



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"Leadership Advance was engaging, and the exercises shook things up so that us attendees could and would engage with more than just our peer coaches, and I really valued that. Being able to build additional relationships has been great!"

RAVEN MCSWAIN, Sumnu Marketing



> **Engineers demonstrate** wearable sensor with record-setting solar power efficiency; prototype analyzes real-time health status via sweat, does not require carrying a battery pack ([More](#))

Associated Press

[Oklahoma governor's feud with Native American tribes continues over revenue agreements](#)

Oklahoma Gov. Kevin Stitt's ongoing feud with many of the Native American tribes in the state has grown so contentious that fellow Republicans in the Legislature and the state's attorney general are considering pushing him out of tribal negotiations altogether. Tribal casinos alone paid nearly \$200 million to the state last year under agreements giving tribes the exclusive right to offer casino gambling. State Republican leaders are grumbling publicly that Stitt's hostile posture toward the tribes, including vetoing the extension of some compacts, are costing more than just money.

[Heidi Barlese](#)

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