

# STATE OF NEW MEXICO INDIAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

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# **NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY**

Funding Agency: New Mexico Indian Affairs Department ("IAD")

Opportunity Title: Tobacco Cessation & Prevention Project ("TCPP")

Grant

Total Funding Available: \$249,300.00

**Application Open Date:** July 1, 2025

**Preference Priority Date:** July 15, 2025 at 5:00PM MST

**Application Close Date:** September 30, 2025

**Period of Performance:** Date of executed agreement to June 30, 2026

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### **BACKGROUND**

In July 2008, IAD received its first allocation from the Tobacco Settlement Revenue Oversight Committee (TSROC), thereby initiating IAD's administration of a grant program open to tribes.

During the 2025 New Mexico Legislative Session, IAD received an Interagency Transfer Fund Appropriation for up to \$249,300 from the Tobacco Settlement Fund. The funds are to support Tobacco Cessation & Prevention Project (TCPP) initiatives for tobacco cessation and prevention programs for Native American communities throughout the state.

## **PURPOSE**

IAD manages state funds allocated for TCPP, the specific purpose of funding is for initiatives that directly support Nations, Pueblos, and Tribes(NPTs) in New Mexico by promoting:

1. cessation and prevention of commercial tobacco abuse (to include e-cigarettes, vapes and smokeless tobacco) in Native American communities with special emphasis on Native American youth;

2. cultural awareness of the Native American traditional and ceremonial use of tobacco as a means to strengthen cultural identity and resistance to commercial tobacco;

The funding may be used to address tobacco cessation and prevention initiatives that benefit Native American communities in New Mexico. Ideally, eligible projects will focus on culturally appropriate tobacco cessation and prevention initiatives, reducing the use of commercial tobacco and/or increasing the awareness of the harmful effects of vaping. Funds can be used to support emerging programs or expand the capacity of existing programs.

# **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

IAD has established the following application requirements for NPTs for this funding:

- 1. Complete the attached TCPP Grant Application. Applications must:
  - a. Identify and address how the NPT will use TCPP funds to establish or expand culturally appropriate tobacco cessation and prevention initiatives and how those resources will benefit tribal communities and/or Native American people in New Mexico.
  - b. Specify how they intend to expend awarded funds on or before June 30, 2026.
  - c. Include an itemized budget and a letter of support from their Tribal Leadership.
- 2. Capital projects will not be considered.

## **APPLICATION REVIEW CRITERIA**

Successful awards will be assessed on their ability to meet most of the criteria listed below:

- 1. Demonstrate a thorough understanding of the tribal population to be served and the need for commercial tobacco prevention and cessation services.
- 2. Provide an organized plan to support an emerging program or expand an existing program.
- 3. Provide a budget with justification related to the project plan.
- 4. Provide a project timeline and budgetary obligations will meet Period of Performance.

## **DELIVERABLES**

Upon award, grantees will be required to fulfill the following deliverables:

- Participate in quarterly progress calls or meetings with a program monitor from IAD.
- Ensure project funds are expended by June 30, 2026.
- Submit quarterly reports detailing the progress and outcomes of the program. Quarterly reports should include information regarding the progress on the project and if necessary, how IAD can support the grantee in expending all funds.

- Submit requests for reimbursement with detailed invoices, receipts and other supporting documentation on a monthly basis, or as expenses are incurred. Please note that purchases or expenditures made before the date of the IAD Purchase Order will not be reimbursed.
- Submit a final report which includes an assessment of the stated need, impact made by grant funds, and challenges met during the project.
- Comply with all conditions of the Intergovernmental Agreement.

## **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Please submit all completed applications and supporting documents electronically to: Karmela.martinez@iad.nm.gov.