



Native American Children Training Forum
Invitation to Apply for Telecommunications/Information Technology
Resources
Capacity Building for Service Providers
Application Due Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2013

The Native American Children Training Forum (NACTF) is a project of the National Indian Justice Center (NIJC), funded by California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA).

Background

Since 1983, the National Indian Justice Center (NIJC) has worked to improve the quality of life in tribal communities and the administration of justice in Indian Country. NIJC is a 100% Native governed, non-profit corporation with principle offices in Santa Rosa, California. NIJC was established through the collective efforts of the National American Indian Court Judges Association, the American Indian Lawyer Training Program, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs in order to establish an independent national resource for Native communities and tribal governments.

Since its inception, NIJC has designed and conducted effective education programs via regional trainings, on-site training, conferences, and online trainings for tribal courts, tribal government, law enforcement, social services, medical personnel, victims' assistance programs and other interests throughout Indian country. Some of the programs include alcohol and substance abuse, alternative methods of dispute resolution, child abuse and neglect, domestic violence, Indian youth and family law, juvenile justice, and federal Indian law. In addition, NIJC provides technical assistance to Indian tribes, tribal organizations and government agencies including tailored training sessions, on-site consultations, distance-learning curricula, tribal justice system evaluations and publications to tribal communities in the U.S. as well as internationally.

Project Purpose

The NACTF project seeks to assess and improve the telecommunications/information technology (IT) and training capacity of Tribes and organizations that provide services to Native American Children who have been abused and/or neglected, or are at risk. The program objectives include:

1. Conduct a telecommunications/information technology (IT) needs assessment of California tribal communities;
2. Increase the IT capacity at five (5) or more tribal sites based upon the analysis of the needs assessment;
3. Identify and develop one (1) or more training curricula related to serving Indian children who have been abuse or neglected, or are at risk of being abused or neglected (subjects will be prioritized from responses to the needs assessment); and
4. Develop, pilot and evaluate one training session.

As part of objective 2 of the NACTF project, NIJC has resources to provide telecommunication/information technology equipment conducive to on-site and online training to at least five (5) service providers that include: organizations and/or Tribes providing services to Native American Children who have been abused and/or neglected, or at risk.

If you are a service provider working with Native American Children, NIJC invites you to submit a proposal to receive T/IT resources. Applicants will be placed in our priority list for evaluation by our Expert Panel. In order for your request to be reviewed, you will need to meet the following requirements:

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1. Completion of our Needs Assessment Survey. If you have not completed the Needs Assessment Survey, please do so at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NACTFTechAssessment>
2. You will be needed to confirm approval to participate in our program by your governing authority (Tribal Council, Board, etc.) as part of the request process.
3. Complete and submit this Resource Request Form.
https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NACTF_Tech_Request

We still have funding positions open after funding our Round 1 applicants. However, fewer positions exist, so please apply immediately. Tribal, County and non-profit organizations providing services in the Central Valley and near the North Eastern California are encouraged to apply.

PLEASE CONFIRM THE WILLINGNESS OF YOUR GOVERNING AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROJECT BEFORE COMPLETING THIS REQUEST FORM.

Once we have received your request form and verified completion of the needs assessment survey, your request will be submitted to our Expert Panel for review. Service providers will be chosen based on statewide community needs and the needs of the project. If chosen to receive resources, we will coordinate with you and your IT liaison. *Once identified to receive resources you will be required to enter into an MOU with NIJC regarding receipt of the IT resources, which includes a commitment to participate in this project. For more information about this project and a template of the MOU:*
<http://www.nijc.org/NACTF.html>.

Submission of Request Form

Please submit your IT requests online at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NACTF_Tech_Request or complete surveys by saving and printing your survey responses (please verify that your responses are saved), and submitting by mail, email or fax to:

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Native American Children Training Forum
5250 Aero Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95403
Attn: Stephanie Lucero, Program Specialist
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Email: stephanie@nijc.org.

For questions or assistance completing this form contact Stephanie Lucero at 916-505-0177 or by email at stephanie@nijc.org.

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