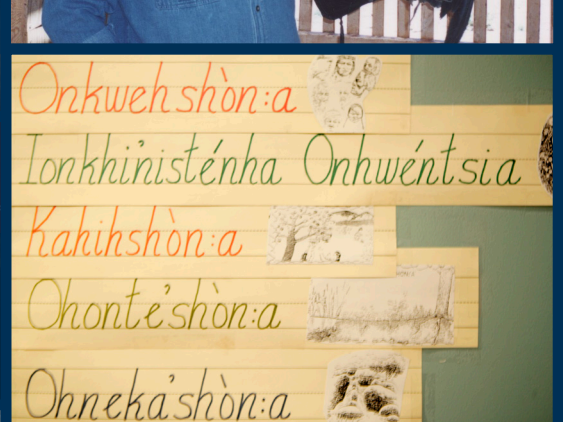
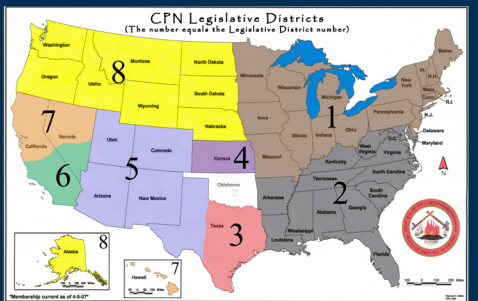


HONORING NATIONS 2023 **ALL-STARS APPLICATION**

An Awards Program that
Identifies, Celebrates, & Shares
Outstanding Examples of Tribal Governance



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Honoring Nations 2023

All-Stars Application

At the heart of Honoring Nations is the principle that tribes themselves hold the key to generating social, political, cultural, and economic prosperity and that self-governance plays a crucial role in building and sustaining strong, healthy Indian nations. Honoring Nations serves as a vehicle for collectively celebrating our many and diverse successes, fostering pride and confidence in the ability of American Indian governments to improve the well-being of our respective communities and citizens.

Since 1998, Honoring Nations has awarded 142 exemplary programs from over 100 tribal nations. Award-winning programs serve as important sources of knowledge and inspiration that are drawn upon throughout Indian Country and the world. Since receiving an Honoring Nations award, the programs have continued to strengthen their nations and, in doing so, have effectively responded to challenging circumstances to continue their important work.

Over the last two years, we have witnessed tremendous resilience and strength throughout Indian Country. The efforts made by the Honoring Nations awardees are no exception. Programs adjusted, readjusted, and adjusted again to support and serve their tribal nations, navigating multiple health and economic crises. The resolve and fortitude demonstrated daily hold tremendous lessons for Indian Country and local governments everywhere.

For these reasons, the Honoring Nations invites the 142 award winners to participate in an exclusive All-Stars award cycle to share their insights on sustainability and continued affirmations of self-governance.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for an Honoring Nations 2023 All-Stars award, the applicant program must:

- Have won an Honoring Nations award previously.
- Be administered under the authority of an American Indian nation or Alaska Native community (or an office, division, or agency thereof that played a formative role in designing and implementing the applicant program).
- Be submitted by the tribal government office, division, or agency responsible for oversight and/or administration of the applicant program.

HONORING NATIONS FAMILY

Agua Caliente People
Curriculum

Ak-Chin Community Council
Task Force

Akwesasne Freedom School

Alaska Native Rural Utility
Collaborative

ANTHC Health Aide Training
Programs

Archie Hendricks, Sr. Skilled
Nursing Care Facility and
Tohono O'odham Hospice

Assuring Self-Determination
Through Effective Law
Enforcement Program of the
Gila River Indian Community

Bad River Recycling Solid Waste
Department

California Fee-to-Trust
Consortium

Calricaraq: Indigenous Yup'ik
Wellbeing

Cherokee Language
Revitalization Project

Cherokee Nation History Course

Cherokee Nation ONE FIRE

Cherokee National Youth Choir

Cherokee Tribal Sanitation
Program

Chickasaw Press

Chickasaw Sick Child Care
Program

Choctaw Community Injury
Prevention Program

Choctaw Health Center

Choctaw Tribal Court System

Chuka Chukmasi Home Loan
Program of the Chickasaw
Nation

Citizen Potawatomi Community Development Corporation

Citizen Potawatomi Leadership Program

Citizen Potawatomi Nation Constitutional Reform

Coast Salish Gathering

Coeur d'Alene Tribal Wellness Center

Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission

Coyote Valley Tribal EPA

CSKT Trust Resource Management

CTUIR Čaw Pawá Láakni – They Are Not Forgotten

CTUIR Cultural Resources Protection Program

CTUIR Homeownership: Financial, Credit & Consumer Protection Program

CTUIR Public Transit

Diné Government Reform

Economic Development Corporation: Ho-Chunk, Inc.

Energy Lifeline Sector Resilience: Low-carbon Microgrids

Enhancing Government-to-Government Relationships by the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde

Flandreau Police Department

Fond Du Lac Off-Reservation Indian Foster Care

Fond Du Lac Pharmacy Online Billing Initiative

Fort Peck School-Based Health Centers

Gila River Air Quality Program

Gila River Telecommunications, Inc.

SELECTION CRITERIA

At each stage of the selection process, applications will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- **SIGNIFICANCE TO SOVEREIGNTY** – The program strengthens self-governance and self-determination for the nation.
- **EFFECTIVENESS** – The program achieves positive and measurable results in addressing a key concern, problem, or challenge facing the nation and its citizens.
- **CULTURAL RELEVANCE** – The program fits, reflects, and strengthens the nation's culture.
- **TRANSFERABILITY** – The program's concepts, principles, and practices are applicable to other governments.
- **SUSTAINABILITY** – The program shows promise of sustained effectiveness.

SELECTION PROCESS

- Applications submitted for Honoring Nations 2023 must be received by **5:00 pm EST on Tuesday, January 31, 2023.**
- In **March**, selected programs will be chosen as semifinalists. Harvard Project staff will conduct a short telephone interview with representatives of each semifinalist program. Each semifinalist may be asked to submit supplemental information.
- In **May**, up to 6 programs will be selected to receive a site visit. Site visits will be conducted by small teams of 2 to 3 people from the Harvard Project staff, Board of Governors, and/or experts within the field.
- In **June, July, and August**, site visits will be conducted. Finalists will be notified shortly after.
- In **Fall**, the Board of Governors will deliberate and select 2023 All-Star Awardees.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Please submit the following information within the allotted word limits. Provide specific examples and supporting data/evidence wherever possible. Indicate if there is confidential information that cannot be shared with the public.
- Submit applications before or on January 31, 2023, via one of the following:
 - o email to hpaied@hks.harvard.edu
 - o mail to HPAIED, 79 JFK Street, Cambridge, MA 02138

Please ensure that the department/agency director or relevant authority has approved the completed application prior to submission.

The application deadline is January 31, 2023.

HONORING NATIONS 2023 ALL-STARS APPLICATION

General Information

(1) Name of Contribution (program/practice/initiative):

(2) Name of Tribal Department/Agency/Office applying:

(3) Name of American Indian nation or Alaska Native community: _____

(4) What year did the Contribution win an Honoring Nations award? _____

(5) Contact Information: *Please list a primary contact person and a secondary contact person with whom Honoring Nations staff and the general public can readily communicate.*

PRIMARY CONTACT:

Name: _____

Tribal Affiliation (optional): _____

Title: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____ Website: _____

SECONDARY CONTACT:

Name: _____

Tribal Affiliation (optional): _____

Title: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____ Website: _____

(6) Funding source(s) for the Contribution:

a. _____ % tribal b. _____ % federal c. _____ % state d. _____ % private e. _____ % other

(7) Please provide the names of 2 local newspapers and/or media outlets.

1. _____

2. _____

NOTE: APPLICATION CONTINUES ON NEXT PAGE.

HONORING NATIONS 2023 ALL-STARS APPLICATION, CONTINUED

Narrative Questions:

Please review the original application submitted to Honoring Nations (attached in the All-Stars application package) and answer the following questions within the word limits. When possible, please provide specific, measurable data. If data are unavailable, provide anecdotal examples highlighting the Contribution's activities.

1. Remind us of your work:

- a. Provide a two-to-three sentence summary describing the Contribution and its importance.
- b. Define the concern, problem, or challenge that the Contribution addresses. (max 400 words)
- c. Explain how the Contribution responds to or addresses this problem. Please include basic information about the Contribution: its mission, who it serves, how it operates as well as data and/or examples that clearly illustrate the problem or challenge being addressed. (max 400 words)

2. Describe any opportunities and/or challenges that the Contribution has encountered since receiving the Honoring Nations Award. Please address the following questions in your response (max 500 words):

- a. How have these opportunities and/or challenges impacted the work and/or goals of the Contribution?
- b. How has the Contribution responded?

3. What have been the keys to the Contribution's sustained operation and relevance? Please address the following questions in your response (max 600 words):

- a. What does "sustainability" mean for the Contribution's work?
- b. What aspects of the Contribution's organization and/or needs within the community have led to the Contribution's longevity?

4. Please describe any specific examples of other tribal nations or local governments learning from and/or replicating aspects of the Contribution. (max 250 words)

The application deadline is January 31, 2023.

ABOUT THE HARVARD PROJECT

Founded in 1987, the Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development aims to understand the conditions under which sustained, self-determined social and economic development is achieved among American Indian nations. From Indian Country to Congress to international arenas, the Harvard Project and its sister organization, the Native Nations Institute for Leadership, Management, and Policy (NNI) at the University of Arizona, are recognized as the premier producers of world-class, practical tools for Indigenous nation building. The organizations' central activities include research and the application of research results in service to Indian Country.

The following key research findings guide the Harvard Project's ongoing work:

Sovereignty Matters. When Native nations make their own decisions about what development approaches to take, they consistently outperform external decision makers—on matters as diverse as governmental form, natural resource management, economic development, health care, and social service provision.

Institutions Matter. For development to take hold, assertions of sovereignty must be backed by capable institutions of governance. Nations do this as they adopt stable decision rules, establish fair and independent mechanisms for dispute resolution, and separate politics from day-to-day business and program management.

Culture Matters. Successful economies stand on the shoulders of legitimate, culturally grounded institutions of self-government. Indigenous societies are diverse; each nation must equip itself with a governing structure, economic system, policies, and procedures that fit its own contemporary culture.

Leadership Matters. Nation building requires leaders who introduce new knowledge and experiences, challenge assumptions, and propose change. Such leaders—whether elected, community, or spiritual—convince people that things can be different and inspire them to take action.

Gila River Youth Council

Grand Traverse Band Land Claims Distribution Trust Fund

Grand Traverse Band Planning and Development

Haudenosaunee Nationals Lacrosse

Honoring our Ancestors: The Chippewa Flowage Joint Agency Management Plan

Hopi Child Care Program

Hopi Education Endowment Fund

Hopi Jr./Sr. High: Two Plus Two Plus Two

Hopi Tribe Land Team

Jicarilla Apache Wildlife and Fisheries Management Program

Joint Tribal-State Jurisdiction of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Kake Circle Peacemaking

Kayenta Township Tax Initiative Economic Development

Kenaitze Tribal Court

Lac Du Flambeau Intercultural Leadership Initiative

Leadership Institute at the Santa Fe Indian School

Little River Band Migizi Business Camp

Lummi Safe, Clean Waters

Lummi Wetland and Habitat Mitigation Bank

Makah Cultural Education & Revitalization Program

Maliseet Indian Child Welfare Services

Menominee Community Center of Chicago

Miami Tribe of OK Myaamiaki Eemamwiciki Program

Miccosukee Tribe Section 404 Permitting Program

Mille Lacs Small Business
Development Program

Minnesota 1837 Ceded Territory
Conservation Code of the Mille
Lacs Band of Ojibwe

Mississippi Band of Choctaw
Family Violence and Victim's
Services

Morongo Tutoring Program

Muscogee (Creek) Nation
Reintegration Program

Na'Nizhoozhi Center

Nation Building Among the
Chilkoot Tlingit

Native American Drug and Gang
Initiative Task Force

Native Village of Kotzebue
Environmental Program

Navajo Methamphetamine Task
Forces

Navajo Nation Archaeology
Department Training Programs

Navajo Nation Corrections
Project

Navajo Nation Sales Tax

Navajo New Law and Old Law
Together

Navajo Studies Department

Navajo Treatment Center for
Children and Family

Newtok Relocation Effort

Nez Perce Idaho Gray Wolf
Recovery Program

Nez Perce Tribe Fisheries
Department

Northwest Intertribal Court
System

Northwest Portland Area Indian
Health Board

Ohero:kon "Under the Husk"
Rites of Passage

Ohkay Owingeh Owe'neh
Bupingeh Rehabilitation Project

ABOUT HONORING NATIONS

Established in 1998 by the Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development, Honoring Nations highlights tribal government success by celebrating, documenting, and disseminating the stories of outstanding programs in self-governance. At the heart of Honoring Nations is the principle that tribes themselves hold the key to social, political, cultural, and economic prosperity—and that self-governance plays a crucial role in building and sustaining strong, healthy Indian nations. Honoring Nations helps shift the focus from what does not work to what does, fostering confidence and pride in American Indian governments as critical contributors to the well-being of their communities and citizens.

Honored programs serve as important sources of knowledge and inspiration for communities throughout Indian Country and far beyond. As honorees share their innovative ideas and effective governing approaches, Honoring Nations helps Native nation builders learn from each other and seed promising practices. The high public visibility and news coverage of Honoring Nations also permit non-Native policymakers, the media, and the general public to see what Native nations are actually doing in the drive for self-determination.

Honoring Nations invites applications from American Indian governments across a broad range of subject areas: education, health care, resource management, government reform, justice, inter-governmental relations, and economic, social, and cultural programs. The Honoring Nations Board of Governors—distinguished individuals from the public, private, and nonprofit sectors—guides the evaluation process. At each stage of the selection process, programs are evaluated on the basis of significance to sovereignty, effectiveness, cultural relevance, transferability, and sustainability. Honorees receive national recognition to share their success story with others. Together with its partner organization, the Native Nations Institute (NNI) at the University of Arizona, the Harvard Project produces reports, case studies, and other curricular materials that are disseminated to tribal leaders, public servants, the media, scholars, students, and others interested in promoting and fostering excellence in governance.

To date, Honoring Nations has recognized 142 exemplary tribal government programs, three All-Stars, and held five tribal government symposia.

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Pe' Sla

Pine Hill Health Center at Ramah

Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe Child Welfare Program

Project Falvmmichi of the Choctaw

Project Pueblo: Economic Development Revitalization Project at Ysleta Del Sur

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Pueblo of Sandia Water Quality Standards

Puyallup Tribe Institutionalized Quality Improvement Program

Quapaw Tribe Agricultural Programs

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Monitors Program

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Initiative

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Use

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Women

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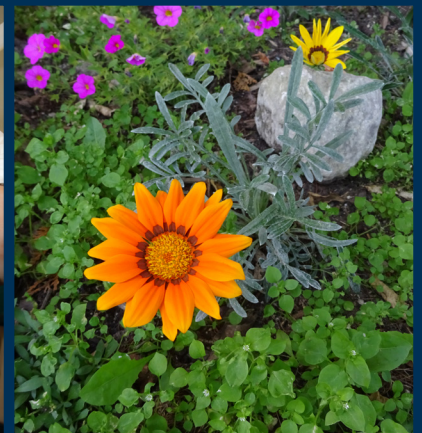
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