

## Covid Grant & Planning Resources

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## **NEW\*\*\*** AFN Navigator Program

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AFN is committed to ensuring the Alaska Native community is supported and informed of federal COVID-19 relief programs aimed at Native American recovery and accessing those programs. To better support the Alaska Native community in these endeavors, AFN has launched a COVID-19 Navigator Program. The Program, which is a public-private partnership with the State of Alaska, will run through December 31, 2021.

### **[AFN Navigator Program Trainings, Events & Workshops](#)**

The events, trainings and workshops below are updating on a regular basis, so please check back here often. If you would like to share an event related to the AFN Navigator Program, please email us at [navigator@nativefederation.org](mailto:navigator@nativefederation.org). [Click here](#) to return to the main Navigator Program page.

### **[Funding Opportunities](#)**

AFN is committed to ensuring the Alaska Native community is supported and informed of federal COVID-19 relief programs aimed at Native American recovery and accessing those programs.

### **[Resources & Partners](#)**

We invite you to visit our Navigator Training Archive to view videos of past trainings and workshops and access training materials.

Scroll down to access resources and partner information from [Alaska ARPA](#).

Please check back often for updates and additional information.

Have questions or requests? Please reach out to:

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updated\*\*\*New Path Tribal Services

Consultant, Technical Assistance, Grant Writer, Planner, Fees apply

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**New Path Tribal Services has space for a new village starting December 1. We charge a flat rate for a year of services including grant writing, project development, assistance with grant management, planning, and many other tasks. We also work with tribes on a project by project basis.**

**We provide comprehensive tribal services -- if you are interested, please contact us and we can see if we can help.**

New Path Tribal Services is a small company that works with a limited number of Alaska Native Villages. We have over 25 years of experience writing grants and developing projects for Alaskan tribes, with over \$200 million in funding awarded to Alaska Native villages and organizations. New Path Tribal Services is based in Fairbanks.

**We have provided comprehensive services related to the CARES Act and ARP Act.**

**New Path Tribal Services has written more than \$40 million in funded grants for Alaska Native Villages since 2018 alone --** and many more are pending. Funded grants include COPS, BJA, OVC, OVW, ANA, Denali Commission, Department of Energy, Rasmuson, RuralCap, Juvenile Healing to Wellness Courts, EPA, Alaska Housing & Finance Teacher, Health Professional & Public Safety Housing Program, Tribal Youth, ICDBG, and FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation -- and more.

See a more detailed listing of grants awarded at [www.newpathtribal.com](http://www.newpathtribal.com) or [New Path Tribal Services on Facebook](#).

New Path provides complete grant writing assistance from project development to submission of the grant. We also provide comprehensive tribal services - help with grant management, programmatic reporting, tribal administration, planning, and more.

**We work with tribes on a flat annual rate for grant writing and project development and general technical assistance.** If you would like more information or would like to set up a time to talk, please let me know. I am happy to answer any questions and we can provide many, many references.

**We also work on individual projects** if that is a better fit.

**We have a package to help with programmatic reporting for JustGrants & Grant Solutions** to help reduce the workload for tribal governments. Get help setting up and managing your grant reporting platforms and completing your programmatic reports.

**We can help organize and restructure your System for Award Management (SAM) and how that populates through all the federal grant platforms including [grants.gov](http://grants.gov), JustGrants, Grants Solutions, and Treasury.** Ask for a quote!

**We can do Environmental Assessment Reviews** for construction projects.

**Ask about special projects** - need just one grant written, or one project developed, or a task completed?

**Keep jobs in your community by outsourcing only the parts that you can't do.** Many funded grants require a Project Manager, Coordinator, or Specialist to take the lead. If you have the perfect person for that job but there are a few tasks they don't want to take on or don't feel confident completing, we can help you contract out only the tasks you cannot do locally. If we cannot do it, we will try to help you find people who can.

Resource, Free and Fees might apply if you choose

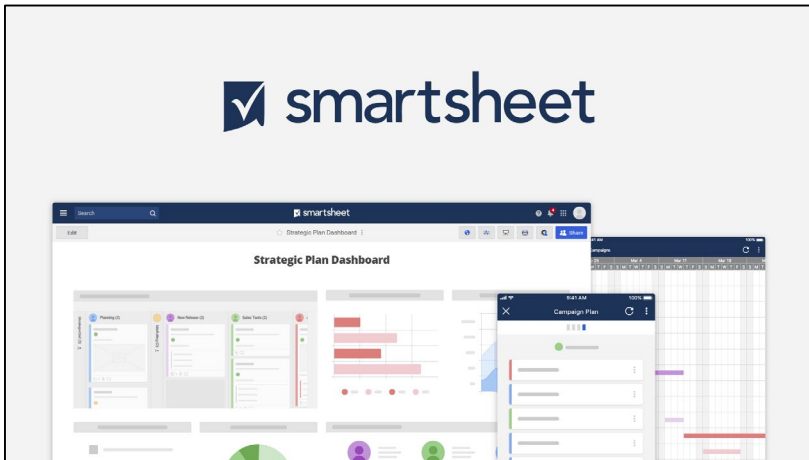
## Creating Online Applications

If you are looking at providing ARPA Individual Assistance Programs to serve your tribal members, you should consider looking at online applications to reduce foot traffic to offices and increase efficiency.

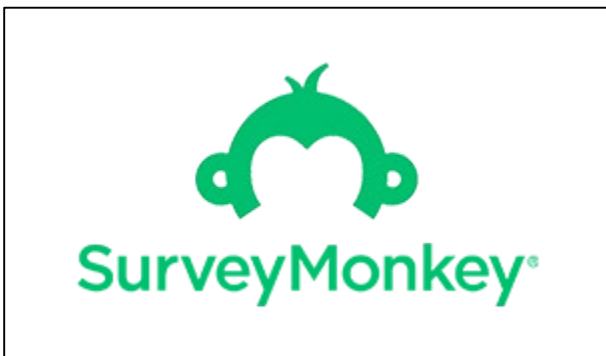


[Orutsararmiat Traditional Native Council](#) near Bethel is using [Google Forms](#) to collect information from individuals for their ARPA program. Google Forms is very easy to use and free.

[Smart Sheets](#) is another platform that has been used in region and is free, but may have fees associated. This is cloud based.









































































[Survey Monkey](#) is a popular data collection system that can be used to create surveys or applications. It is fairly easy to use but does have some restrictions for non-paying users. You can pay to have access to more features if your tribe feels this is a good fit.



### List of 10 Free Online Form Tools

In addition, here is a list of the [Top 10 Online Forms Software](#) that offer free services and what comes with the free services.

Product	Deployment	Access Controls/Permissions	Collaboration Tools	Drag & Drop	Forms Creation & Design	Version Control
 <b>GoCanvas</b> ★★★★★ 4.5 (168)						
 <b>ProntoForms</b> ★★★★★ 4.6 (159)						
 <b>Mobile Impact Platform</b> ★★★★★ 4.8 (19)						
 <b>Smartsheet</b> ★★★★★ 4.5 (1899)						
 <b>monday.com</b> ★★★★★ 4.6 (2414)						
 <b>Forms On Fire</b> ★★★★★ 4.7 (101)						
 <b>FORM OpX</b> ★★★★★ 4.5 (26)						
 <b>Nintex Process Platform</b> ★★★★★☆ 4.1 (79)						
 <b>FastField</b> ★★★★★ 4.8 (22)						
 <b>Cognito Forms</b> ★★★★★ 4.5 (62)						

## Alaska ARPA from Alaska Municipal League (AML)

[Click Here](#)

### Contact:

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You may have seen this opportunity already in other sources but I wanted to highlight it for your tribe's consideration. Alaska Municipal League offers ARPA compliance assistance:

- Consulting on eligible expenditures
- Reviewing state and federal guidance to provide answers to questions that may arise
- Reviewing proposed or actual expenditures to assist in bookkeeping or tracking of expenditures
- Developing or reviewing draft reports for approval by the authorized representative
- Coordinating authorization of all actions necessary to comply with the conditions of ARPA
- Register or assist in registering the entity in the System for Award Management (SAM)
- Maintain SAM account on behalf of the entity, including to upload ARPA allocation documents
- File annual reports on behalf of the entity

Also, AML has a great website that you can find here:

<https://alaskaarpa.org/> This website – Alaska ARPA – provides an extensive summary of resources relevant to Alaskans, tracking funds coming in as well as grant opportunities. It is a collaborative effort to serve as a clearinghouse of information that can be used by recipients and other potential beneficiaries.

Help for Alaska's Tribes:

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Tribal government funding through ARPA is found within the [Treasury's CSLFRF page](#). The rules for compliance and reporting are identical to those which apply to State and local governments. There are some expenditures that are allowable for tribes that don't apply to states and local governments, but they are outlined in the guidance.

The Alaska Municipal League (AML) is offering to support local and tribal governments in their reporting and compliance needs. Please complete the following agreement and we'll assist in ensuring successful implementation:

- [Alaska Tribal Administrators Association](#) – available for questions on recovery funding
- [AML ARPA Service Agreement](#) – Compliance Support Option, June 8, 2021

Grant Writing Help with AML:

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**Grant Writing Education**

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LEARNGRANTWRITING.ORG – [Link](#)

[Free Grant Writing Class](#): A free course ranked as the #1 free class by The Balance Careers.

[Become a Grant Writing Unicorn](#): How to write a grant that shows many examples from Alaska

[Free Audiobook/Podcast on Grant Writing](#)

## Grant Search Resources

[Instrumental](#) – Non-profit resource, but many Federal Grants listed

[GRANTS.GOV](#)

[USDA](#) – Rural Funding Opportunities



The Foraker Group  
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Planning & Structure

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**Sustainability Roadmap:** Do you wonder where to focus your efforts to strengthen your mission? Are you clear about how your strengths can be used to address your challenges? Our Sustainability Roadmap is a tool to gain common understanding and design next steps. [Learn More](#)

**Strategic Planning:** Thoughtful planning by the board is the foundation for success in all organizations and collaborations. Strategic planning is an opportunity for the board and staff to move forward together by creating a common understanding of what is core to your success. [Learn More](#)

**Annual Planning:** Once you have identified your long-term strategic goals, an annual operating plan will help you to prioritize your next steps. [Learn More](#)

**Business Planning:** The [Foraker Nonprofit Sustainability Model](#) focuses on unrestricted cash as an important component to any nonprofit business plan. Every organization needs to understand its business model to know if the majority of unrestricted funds will primarily come from mission-related earned income or philanthropy. [Learn More](#)

**Fund Development Planning:** Having a well-conceived and realistic plan is critical to successful donor-centered fundraising. We offer a customized approach that helps you create a plan that you and your team can implement with confidence. [Learn More](#)

**Communication Planning:** While it is tempting to start with a tactical tool – like a brochure or website – that can mean costly mistakes. Effective communication begins by clearly understanding the desires and motivations of your customer, client, or audience, then developing strategies to connect them to your mission. We offer a customized approach that helps you create a plan you can implement with confidence. [Learn More](#)

**Document Creation & Review:** Do your policies and procedures still reflect your practices? Do you need help crafting or updating your bylaws or articles of incorporation? We can offer you a high-level, non-legal review of your most important documents. [Learn More](#)

**Creating a New Nonprofit:** Do you see an unmet need in your community? Are you wondering if a new nonprofit is the right step? We are ready to help you assess your options. [Learn More](#)

**Organizational Culture:** Every organization has a unique culture that influences important decisions and opportunities. The core values and beliefs of the founders of your mission set the stage for your culture. Is your organization clear what makes up your organizational culture and why it's important? [Learn More](#)

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**Planning & Structure Courses:** We offer classes on planning and structure, or we can create a session to meet your specific needs. [Learn More](#)

**Planning & Structure Resources** Find tools and resources related to planning and structure. [Learn More](#)

### Foraker Covid Response

“Now is the time for all of us to protect the people we serve, our staff, and the community at large. We all have hard decisions to make about what policies we put in place for our employees, how our services may change, and what to do about planned events. Here is a collection of resources to help you to make those decisions. We will continue to keep this page updated as we learn more.” [Learn More](#)

SWAMC  
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SWAMC has brought Keri Scaggs back on board (you may remember her from our CARES Act FORWARD program) to work with municipalities, tribal entities, and others to help them find the best fit for funding as well as navigate application processes. This level of federal funding has never been seen before, and most likely never will be seen again. Please contact Keri at (907) 242-4077 or [arpa@swamc.org](mailto:arpa@swamc.org) if you are interested in her assistance matching your project with a funding opportunity.

BBEDC for CDQ Communities  
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Communities

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[Grant Writing Assistance](#)

**BBEDC's Grant Writing Assistance Program** provides the services of selected grant-writing consultants in a paid block of time in the form of a grant to eligible city or tribal governing entities. Funds gained through the grants are critical for replacing aging infrastructure and program development which creates income generating opportunities for residents. The choice of which firm will be assigned is reserved to BBEDC. Services include targeting project funding searches and/or varying levels of proposal development as well as grant proposal mentoring.

[2021 Grant Writing Assistance Application](#)

[Grant Writing Assistance Guidelines](#)

For more information, please contact Alice Ruby at 842-4370 or 1-800-478-4370.

The Harvard Project  
[Click Here](#)

Resource/Guide, possible consultation, Unsure of fees

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The Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development

The Harvard Project aims to understand and foster the conditions under which sustained, self-determined social and economic development is achieved among American Indian nations through applied research and service.

**What Works, Where, and Why?**

Overview of the Harvard Project

Founded by Professors Stephen Cornell and Joseph P. Kalt at Harvard University in 1987, the Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development (Harvard Project) is housed within the Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. Through applied research and service, the Harvard Project aims to understand and foster the conditions under which sustained, self-determined social and economic development is achieved among American Indian nations. The Harvard Project's core activities include research, education and the administration of a tribal governance awards program. In all of its activities, the Harvard Project collaborates with the [Native Nations Institute](#) for Leadership, Management and Policy at the University of Arizona. The Harvard Project is also formally affiliated with the [Harvard University Native American Program](#), an interfaculty initiative at Harvard University.

At the heart of the Harvard Project is the systematic, comparative study of social and economic development on American Indian reservations. What works, where and why? Among the key research findings:

**Sovereignty Matters.** When Native nations make their own decisions about what development approaches to take, they consistently out-perform 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.

For over two decades, the Harvard Project has undertaken hundreds of research studies and advisory projects. Results of Harvard Project research are published widely. Summary treatments are provided in [“Reloading the Dice: Improving the Chances of Economic Development on American Indian Reservations”](#) (Cornell and Kalt) and [“Sovereignty and Nation-Building: The Development Challenge in Indian Country Today”](#) (Cornell and Kalt). Both papers, plus many additional publications are available on the Harvard Project’s [Research and Publications page](#).

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**Comprehensive & Community-Based Planning**

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Comprehensive and Community-Based Planning empowers communities to take charge of their futures. Our comprehensive and community-based planning approach encourages communities to address complex issues by focusing on shared values, community strengths and gathering data to build practical strategies. We believe an engaged community is key to success. We create citizen advisory groups to guide the planning process. We involve adopting bodies at key points so they have knowledge of and ownership of the plan and are more apt to approve the final plan. We want the plan to be used, so we build strategic and action planning components into the plan and use focused work sessions to assign responsibilities and identify funding sources. We celebrate the special qualities of the communities in which we work by developing branding for individual projects so that the plans and products have a look specific to the community.

We judge our success on our plans being adopted, implemented, and making a difference. We are proud of our work on the Big Lake Comprehensive Plan, where members of the citizen advisory committee developed a 501c3 to implement the trail recommendations in the plan. Another recent success was the Bethel Comprehensive Plan that passed unanimously and includes attainable strategies with clearly assigned roles and responsibilities. The Dillingham Comprehensive Plan responds to particular community needs by including components such as community wellness and energy. The Hillside District Plan in Anchorage includes innovative policies developed with the active and dedicated involvement of a citizen's advisory group that is now implementing the plan.

**Grant Writing & Project Financing**

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Agnew::Beck provides funding research and proposal development services to help our clients strategically plan projects and develop successful funding proposals. We have successfully raised over \$120 million for our clients to support a variety of projects including large-scale public facilities that require coordination of multiple funding sources, to system-wide implementation grants, to more focused program development.

**Capacity Building & Technical Assistance**

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Agnew::Beck works with leaders and staff of community organizations to identify issues and develop solutions. We coach community leaders through challenging processes to build capacity within organizations to create positive change in their communities.

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We provide technical assistance beginning with an assessment of the organization's training and organizational development needs to shape a technical assistance plan. Agnew::Beck implements this plan, tailoring our services to meet the specific needs of each client. Often acting as a temporary extension of the organization, Agnew::Beck works closely with our capacity building and technical assistance clients to ensure that technical assistance produces tangible results for our client and the community it serves.

### Strategic Planning & Facilitation

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Agnew::Beck works with many community-serving organizations that are committed to building a healthy and vibrant future for the people and places they serve. We help our clients by facilitating effective work sessions and crafting focused, practical strategic plans. Our facilitators are skilled at building rapport with a wide range of stakeholders to find common ground among diverse viewpoints. Our team will help you to assess your current position, envision your desired future and identify concrete strategies and action steps to accomplish your goals.

Agnew::Beck works successfully in a range of settings including community planning workshops, staff trainings, and board retreats. We work with small and large organizations including the US Forest Service, the Alaska Section of Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion and Bristol Bay Native Association. We understand that communication, training, and teambuilding can make all the difference to an organization's performance and capacity. Our team has conducted retreats and trainings on topics such as leadership and team decision-making, effective communication and staff management, and non-profit and tribal council roles and responsibilities.



## Information Insights

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### Services

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**Research & Analysis:** Through research and analysis, Information Insights, Inc. has been assisting Alaskans in and out of government to deepen their understanding of issues affecting Alaska. We conduct research and provide impartial analysis and planning in a range of policy areas, including economics, public health, housing, energy, education, transportation, and public finance. To answer questions posed by our clients, we use a real world perspective that crosses disciplines and allows us to draw on information and tools from many areas. Information Insights has developed a reputation for delivering innovative, workable solutions. Our research results are presented in clear, concise language so they can be understood quickly and used effectively.

**Public Engagement & Facilitation:** Information Insights offers a full range of public engagement and facilitation services, from conducting small group meetings and strategic planning sessions to planning conferences and formal public input processes that meet all government requirements. We work frequently in both rural and urban Alaska, designing processes to engage the public and bring stakeholders together. We often combine traditional and new outreach tools, including public information websites, social media, information graphics, online surveys, and [Instant Insight](#), which is an audience polling system.

**Organizational Support & Development:** Organizational Support and Development services are tailored to the client and can cover a broad spectrum of client needs: conference & event planning, grant program administration, accounting & business services, membership services, board elections, executive assessment, program evaluation, and communications planning. We provide some clients with year-round program administration, including day-to-day management of member services, monthly committee meeting facilitation, and annual conference planning. We offer our organizational support clients a full range of website development, social media development, and management services, often including online payment, event registration, and payment processes.

**Survey Research:** Whether doing primary research, public engagement or program administration, many Information Insights projects include a survey component. We use a variety of survey techniques depending on the goals of the project, including audience polling, focus groups, key informant interviews, and online, mail, and telephone surveys. A reliable and replicable methodology combined with well designed, culturally appropriate questions are key to obtaining accurate and representative results that we can use with confidence in our projects.

**Additional Services:** Information Insights also offers website and graphic design services if requested on other projects and language around customizable work. We have a broad network of consultants from across the state, remote and event support as needed.

## Alaska Tribal Administrators Association

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### About

The Alaska Tribal Administrators Association is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization established in 2013 to support Alaska's Tribal Administrators in the development and sustainability of strong and effective tribal administration.

#### *OUR MISSION*

To develop a collaborative atmosphere of knowledge sharing and professional support among Alaska's Tribal administrative professionals; and to promote effective tribal administration resulting in greater self-governance, community sustainability, and leadership.

#### *GOVERNANCE*

ATAA represents Tribal Administrators of Alaska tribal governments and is governed by its voting members who elect the organizations Board Directors - President, Secretary and Treasurer. The governing members also determine consensus decisions carried out by resolution.

#### *SYMPOSIUM*

Our Annual Symposium is held in early spring each year and provides Tribal Administrators and others with key topics and trainings to support a strong, healthy and sustainable tribal government and community.

### Shared Tribal Accounting Services

ATAA offers shared accounting services for tribes on a regular or as-needed basis with monthly, flat-rate options. Our team is led by a 30-year tribal accounting executive and internal auditor who has provided shared accounting services for over 50 tribes and non-profits around the state. We welcome you to contact us and learn how shared accounting services will allow you to focus on the mission and vision of your tribe or tribal entity. Our services are discounted for ATAA Members.

[Click here for Rates](#)

[Contact them Here](#)

### Service Benefits

Utilizing ATAA's Shared Accounting Services allows you to focus on the delivery of services, support for your members, and growth and sustainability. When you use our low-cost shared services, you bring efficiencies to your programmatic and administrative budgets, allowing more funding to be utilized in the delivery of services and support to your tribal members.

**Audit Preparation.** Effective audit preparation helps lower overall audit costs and supports a favorable audit report. We provide the working documents requested by your auditor and work directly with the audit team to ensure past corrective action has been implemented and findings are not carried forward.

**Budget Development.** General, administrative and programmatic budgets require an understanding of allowable costs. We assist in the development of realistic budgets that meet your funding requirements.

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**Compliance + Corrective Action Plans.** Our internal reviews support program and administrative compliance and we provide and support the implementation of corrective action plans. We also provide tribal councils with financial and programmatic reviews as needed.

**Full-Cycle Accounting + Reporting.** We provide data entry and analysis, transaction posting, trial ledger and adjustments, financial statements, and closing of all accounts with a final revision of the trial balance after closing.

**Grant Reporting + Management.** Our grants staff supports proper grant reporting and management and are familiar with many local, state and federal entities including the State of Alaska, Rasmuson Foundation, Alaska Community Foundation, BIA, EPA, HUD, IHS and others.

**Indirect Rate Negotiations.** We work directly with the Interior Business Center to negotiate your indirect rate.

**Payroll Services + Check Processing.** Scheduled, timely payroll (printed and electronic), quarterly reporting and payments and regularly scheduled and as-needed check processing is available when you need it.

**Reporting.** Our team provides programmatic, monthly, quarterly and annual reports for funding agencies, annual meetings and council, and will attend your council or annual meeting as requested.

**Native Learning Center**  
[Click Here](#)

Technical Assistance,  
Guidance, No Fees

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The Native Learning Center offers various trainings to help tribes complete projects. Their trainings are webinar based but very informative. Click the Train Events Link to access their upcoming trainings. They have an upcoming SMART Goal planning webinar September 21, 2021.

[Training Events](#)



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS: SEPTEMBER 2021

- SEPTEMBER 02, 2021 - VIRTUAL TRAINING - 2 PM – 3 PM EST**  
Financial Wellness Part 1
- SEPTEMBER 07, 2021 - VIRTUAL TRAINING - 2 PM – 3 PM EST**  
Financial Wellness Part 2
- SEPTEMBER 08, 2021 - WEBINAR - 2 PM – 3 PM EST**  
Effective Leadership Part 2
- SEPTEMBER 09, 2021 - WEBINAR - 2 PM – 3 PM EST**  
Developing Your Housing Marketing Strategy
- SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 - WEBINAR - 2 PM – 3 PM EST**  
Low Cost Ways to Develop Your Housing Website
- SEPTEMBER 15, 2021 - WEBINAR - 1:30 PM – 4:30 PM EST**  
Planning on Applying to the ICDBG? Here's What You Need to Know  
AND IHBG Competitive NOFA Training
- SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 - WEBINAR - 2 PM – 3 PM EST**  
Grants Management: How to Write a Corrective Action Plan
- SEPTEMBER 21, 2021 - WEBINAR - 2 PM – 3 PM EST**  
Strategic Planning Using SMART Goals
- SEPTEMBER 23, 2021 - WEBINAR - 2 PM – 3 PM EST**  
How to Start a Tribal Housing Podcast
- SEPTEMBER 28, 2021 - WEBINAR - 2 PM – 3 PM EST**  
How to Host an Effective Virtual Training
- SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 - WEBINAR - 2 PM – 3 PM EST**  
Staying Organized While Working in a Tribal Housing Program

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## Economic Development

[Click Here](#)

Economic Development Program Manager, Kristina Andrew, is here to help tribes navigate their planning needs by outlining next step and connecting tribes to resources to move project forward. You are welcome to call her to discuss your planning ideas and she can assist you further to meet your tribe's needs.

Kristina is available from 8am to 4:30pm Monday through Friday. You can contact her at 907-842-6223 or [kRandrew@bbna.com](mailto:kRandrew@bbna.com)

## Covid-19 Updates

[Click Here](#)

BBNA staff have been placing Covid-19 updates and resources on the BBNA Covid Updates page.

### Ideas on ways to spend ARPA funding:

It has been brought to BBNA's attention tribes may be in need of ideas to help spend your ARPA funding. Below are some local specific ideas that could be implemented. Attached in the SLFRP Fact Sheet is a list of ideas and guidance for spending the funds not specific to Bristol Bay, but still may offer some ideas.

- look at any tribal plans to see what can be done to achieve already set goals;
- particularly focus on projects that would help the tribal members;
- give special attention to those projects that would provide jobs for your tribal citizens;
- use the money to Build Back Better, make your tribe more self-sufficient, prosperous, sovereign.

Aleknagik recently had a house fire and it burned to the ground. It got staff concerned about fire safety and home hazards. BBNA staff saw this attached booklet, got permission from the State to print, printed and mailed it to every boxholder in Bristol Bay Region. It arrived in the Dillingham Post Office boxes on 9/3. September is Preparedness Month and FEMA is doing a preparedness campaign.

### *Here is a list of ideas:*

**Water and Sewer small sites projects** (Do all tribal members have functioning running water and sewer)

Communications (Do all tribal members have cells phones, internet?)

Grab & Go Kits (See Prepare in a Year)

2 Weeks Ready (See Prepare in a Year)

Fire Safety (Smoke Alarms & Fire Extinguishers)

Under the Bed items (See Prepare in a Year)

### **Home Hazard Hunt**

- Hire people to go house to house to help do hazard assessments as in Prepare in a Year
- Provide Home improvements to reduce hazards that are found

### **Road improvements**

Heavy Equipment (to maintain tribal roads and grounds)

Tribal Facility (to host meetings and provide services to tribal members-what do tribal members want?)

- Tribal Meetings & Cultural events
- Recovery Meetings

## Covid Grant and Planning Resources

- Arts & Crafts Workshop
- Shelter Homeless Tribal Members
- Seafood/Game Processing Facility

### **Train Tribal Members**

- Hospitality Workers
- Electrician
- Plumber
- Child Development
- Auto Repair
- Diesel Mechanic
- Welding
- RSW Installation and Repair
- Healthcare professions
- Management
- Grant Writing

### **Tribal Business (expansion or new to generate revenue and provide jobs)**

- Buy a Restaurant (the Rack or Spruce Kitchen)
- Start an Auto Repair Shop
- Start a Boat Repair Shop (Repair boats throughout the winter?)
- Start a Daycare
- Residential Rental space
- Build homes for resale

### **Recommendations from the Economic Impact Survey conducted last fall:**

- Continuing to subsidize resident's cost of living will assist with offsetting the lack of fishing income or closed businesses. This can be done by offering cash assistance for rent, utilities (home heating fuel, internet, phone, and electricity), day care, and food.
- Promoting safe social gatherings such as zoom hang outs, outdoor activities, or activities where people are masked and socially distanced can help people struggling with social isolation. Ensuring people stay connected to one another is a major component in offsetting stress and depression brought on by the pandemic.
- Encouraging broadband development will help people connect to friends and family and support people working from home or home schooling kids.
- Being lenient on employees with small or school aged children, as they are having to take on additional responsibilities for child care and home schooling needs.
- Use more positive, hopeful messaging to the region through public announcements, people are living in fear which is impacting health.
- Resume routine medical practices and travel to villages for routine medical.
- Increase Mental Health awareness and response. More public forums on mental health safety/wellness checks.

Hope this helps you find the perfect project(s) that benefit your tribe and your tribal members.