

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ALERT

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH (CDPH) CALIFORNIA TOBACCO CONTROL PROGRAM (CTCP)

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (RFA) CG 20-10003 CALIFORNIA TRIBAL GRANTS TO REDUCE TOBACCO-RELATED DISPARITIES

Background

Pursuant to [Governor Brown's Executive Order B-10-11](#) and the [California Health and Human Services Tribal Consultation Policy](#), the California Department of Public Health, California Tobacco Control Program (CDPH/CTCP) conducted Tribal Consultation meetings between September and November 2017 in the cities of Valley Center, Yreka, Redding, Banning, and Willits in order to obtain input on the development of a Request for Applications (RFA). CDPH/CTCP used information from the Tribal Consultations to create a three-prong approach to grant funding to address tobacco-related disparities among California's American Indian population: 1) Establish a Statewide Tribal Communities Coordinating Center, 2) Provide grants to California American Indian Tribes, and 3) Provide grants to American Indian/Alaskan Native non-profit organizations.

The Tribal Communities Coordinating Center grant was awarded to Education Training and Research Associates, Inc. The Tribal Communities Coordinating Center and other CDPH/CTCP training and skill building projects will be available to provide help to prospective applicants seeking funding under RFA 20-10003.

CDPH/CTCP anticipates releasing a total of three waves of funding to California Tribal Governments and Tribal Government Agencies to prevent and reduce use of commercial tobacco products by California's American Indian population. This Funding Alert provides information about the third wave of funding. Two previous RFAs were released in February 2019 and June 2019.

Additionally, a RFA was released in August 2019 for non-profit organizations serving California's American Indian/Alaskan Native populations.

Purpose: The purpose of this RFA is to fund grants to California American Indian tribes to reduce commercial tobacco-related health disparities among American Indian Tribal populations and their service populations.

Applicants are required to build capacity and skills among Tribal Members to adopt and implement commercial tobacco use prevention and reduction policy and systems change interventions. This includes educating, engaging and mobilizing Tribal community members to do work on commercial tobacco control campaigns within each Tribe.

Applications must address one of the following goal areas: 1) Limit Commercial Tobacco Promoting Influences; 2) Reduce Exposure to Secondhand Smoke, Tobacco Smoke Residue, Tobacco Waste, and Other Tobacco Products; 3) Reduce the Availability of Tobacco, including Emerging Products; and 4) Promote Tobacco Cessation. Tribal government applicants that operate health and/or dental clinics may propose a tobacco-cessation-only objective; however, no more than 10 percent of the proposed budget may be directed towards the provision of direct cessation services (e.g., cessation classes). Additionally, grant funds may not be used to pay for pharmacotherapy such as nicotine replacement therapy.

***Note: The use of the word tobacco for the purposes of this RFA refers to commercial tobacco use only.**

Statutory Authority: California Health and Safety Code Section 104385.

Term: September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2025*

Funding: Funding for this RFA is from Prop 56, the *California Healthcare, Research, and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016* and/or Prop 99, the *Tobacco Tax and Health Protection Act of 1988*. The total amount of funding available for all tribal grants across all three waves of funding is up to \$15,000,000 for the 60-month grant period. Total grant awards are expected to range from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000 for applicants with a multi-topic focus and from \$250,000 to \$500,000 for applicants with a single-topic focus.

Funding is contingent upon available revenues and appropriations by the Legislature and the Governor's Budget for fiscal year (FY) 2020-21 and subsequent FYs. If full funding does not become available, CTCF may cancel the grant or amend it to reflect the decreased funding and reduced deliverables.

Release Date: Thursday, January 30, 2020*

The RFA and any updates will be available through the CDPH/CTCF Tobacco Control Funding Opportunities and Resources (TCFOR) website at: <https://tcfor.catcp.org/>.

The [CDPH/CTCP website](#) includes a link to TCFOR as well as other CDPH programs.

**Voluntary
Pre-Proposal
Webinar(s):**

An optional Online GoToTraining® Informational Webinar will be held on **Wednesday, February 5, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m, PST***. Prospective applicants intending to submit an application are strongly encouraged to participate. The purpose of the Informational Webinar is to provide potential applicants with an opportunity to pose written questions about preparing and submitting the application. Participants may view the Informational Webinar access codes at <https://tcfor.catcp.org/>.

Optional Grant Writing Workshops will be provided to help guide applicants through the RFA application process. In partnership with the American Indian Coordinating Center, the California Tobacco Control Program will be hosting several interactive grant writing workshops throughout the state. Only those applicants who are Tribal members or representing a Tribal government/agency who are eligible to apply should attend the grant writing workshops. For more details about dates, times, and locations and how to attend a workshop, please visit <https://tcfor.catcp.org/>.

Contact:

Written questions on this RFA will be accepted for the first round until **5:00 p.m., PST on Friday, February 14, 2020***, by email (CTCPCCompetitiveGrants@cdph.ca.gov), and responses will be posted to the <https://tcfor.catcp.org/> website on **Friday, February 21, 2020***.

The second round of written questions on this RFA will be accepted until **5:00 p.m., PST on Friday, February 28, 2020***, by email (CTCPCCompetitiveGrants@cdph.ca.gov), and responses will be posted to the <https://tcfor.catcp.org/> website on **Friday, March 6, 2020***.

Verbal questions will not be accepted.

*Dates and times are tentative