



2008-2009 Community Grants

Native People for Cancer Control at the University of Washington is funded by the National Cancer Institute to enhance existing relationships and build new bridges for community-based participatory research, training, and education to improve American Indian and Alaska Native health. Native People for Cancer Control invites applications addressing issues and disparities in cancer education, prevention, screening, and treatment among American Indians and Alaska Natives living in the states of Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, Idaho, Oregon, North Dakota, and South Dakota.

Applications from community organizations, groups, or individuals may propose projects involving cancer education, advocacy, prevention, screening, and treatment. Grants may also be used to support conference agendas that examine key issues relating to cancer and Native populations. Examples of such projects include the following:

- Increasing awareness of cancer screening benefits
- Planning educational activities that promote cancer-screening practices
- Developing strategies to increase cancer-screening behavior
- Involving worksites in cancer education or screening awareness
- Establishing support groups for cancer patients or survivors
- Involving tribal gatherings, religious, or nonprofit organizations in cancer education and prevention
- Providing cancer information to target audiences such as health educators, tribal leaders, or community members
- Organizing conferences on such topics such as conducting research on small population groups, grant writing, educating tribal communities on economic and health impacts of cancer, and identifying strategies for community awareness of cancer screening
- Developing a session on Native cancer issues for a planned regional or national conference

Proposals should describe short-term projects that can be conducted with a one-time award of up to \$1000. Applications may be submitted at any time up to May 1, 2009. The award can be used for costs such as personnel, supplies, and incentives. Computer equipment, food, and indirect costs cannot be paid by Community Grant funding.

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