





# FALCON 2019

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# Acknowledgement

***We're gathered in the traditional territory of the Ute, Arapaho and Southern Cheyenne peoples. We acknowledge them and their ancestors that thrived for millennia throughout this region.***

***We inform the prevailing energies that we are here in good spirit and with good intention.***



# Mission and Funding Areas

The Trust's mission shall be to make grants to Eligible Grant Recipients, described in Section 8 of the Trust Agreement, to fund the provision of business assistance, agricultural education, technical support, and advocacy services to Native American farmers and ranchers to support and promote their continued engagement in agriculture.

## OUR FUNDING AREAS



**Business Assistance**



**Agricultural Education**



**Technical Support**



**Advocacy Services**



# Eligible Recipients

Trustees broadened definition of agriculture: Subsistence lifestyle activities that provide food and fiber; and include other activities traditionally practiced by Indigenous peoples since time immemorial.

## **TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS**

Tax-exempt organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code\*

\*Internal Revenue Code of 1986

## **EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

Educational organization described in Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii) of the Code\*

## **CDFI: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**

Including Certified Native CDFIs provided that CDFI is a tax exempt organization according to 501(c)(3) of the Code\*

## **TRIBES: INSTRUMENTALITIES OF FEDERAL OR STATE RECOGNIZED TRIBES**

Including non-profit organizations chartered under tribal law of state or federally recognized tribes that furnish assistance to further Native American farming or ranching activities



# Agriculture Business Module

Daily life (especially in rural areas) includes many intersections with the agricultural sciences.

Frequently, those intersections elevate to practices.

How do we elevate those practices into economic activity that allows individuals to innovate economic opportunities and for Tribal Nations to develop sustainable economies.



# Agriculture Business Module

A module that includes the rigor of college level Ag Business programs (i.e. Agriculture Economics, Markets, Futures, Credit/Finance, Supply Chain Logistics, Statistical Analysis, Food Systems, Ag Technologies)

And has carved out space for each participating institution to include their own cultural perspectives, regional issues, traditional methodologies and practices.

The goal is to create module in Ag Business that is replicable and adaptable to the needs of the various tribal colleges as an Associate of Science degree granting program AND is rigorous enough to be accepted, in total, as transferrable to Bachelor's degree granting universities while TCUs examine developing their own Bachelor's degree granting programs.

Convening of the Willing.

Existing working partnership highly useful.



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