



NATIVE AMERICAN AGRICULTURE FUND

2023 YOUTH RFA WEBINAR



HOW TO ASK QUESTIONS



- Submit questions via the Questions box
- We will do our best to answer all questions in the time allotted
- Additional resources will be provided following the Q&A session for those that are not able to have their questions answered today



ABOUT NAAF

Keepseagle v. Vilsack settlement

Private charitable trust created in 2018

Expires in 2038

Fast Track

2019 - RRF

2020

2021

2022



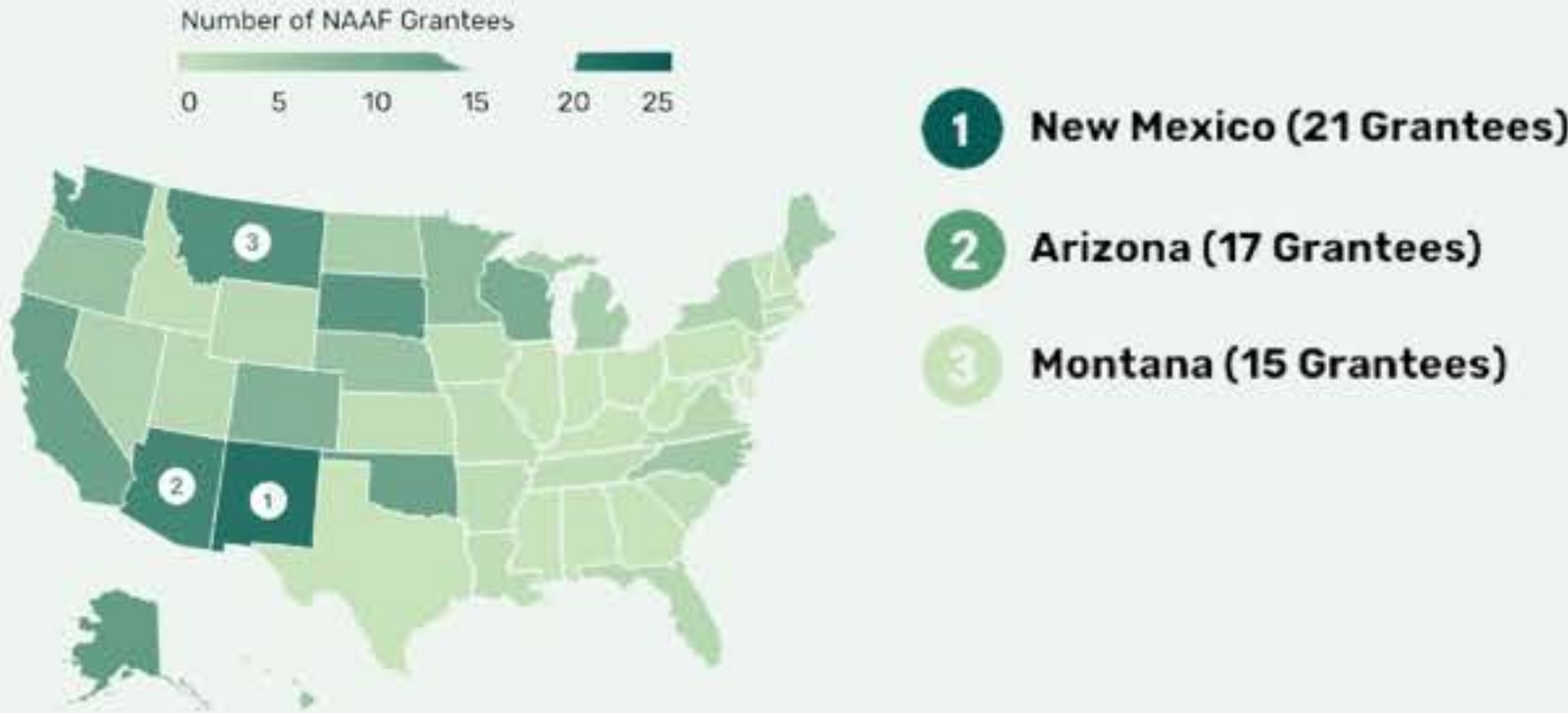
MISSION

To provide business assistance, agricultural education, technical support, and advocacy services to Native American farmers and ranchers to support and promote their continued engagement in agriculture.



NAAF GRANTEES FROM 2019-2022

TOP THREE STATES WITH NAAF GRANTEES

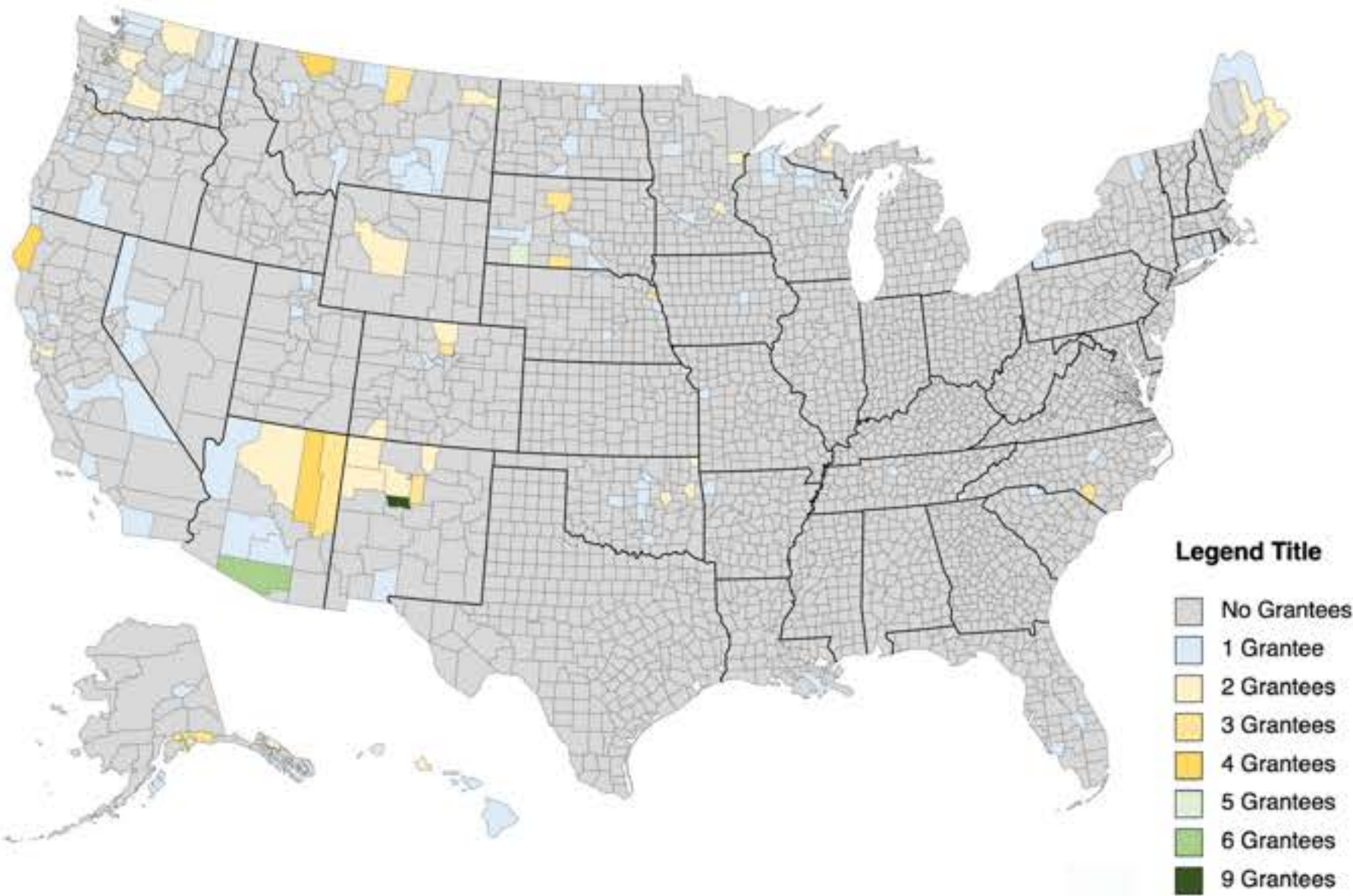


NATIVE PRODUCERS THROUGHOUT THE US



According to the 2017 Census of Agriculture

2019-2022 GRANTEES BY COUNTY



Note: According to the 2017 Census of Agriculture, the Navajo region expands throughout Arizona and New Mexico, with over 27,800 Native producers represented between the two states.

2023 RFA - YOUTH OVERVIEW





ELIGIBLE ENTITIES

- 501(c)(3) organizations
- Educational organizations
- Community Development
Financial Institutions
- Tribes and their
instrumentalities

NAAF encourages start-up nonprofit organizations that have applied for 501(c)(3) status from the IRS but not yet received a favorable determination to apply through a fiscal sponsor who can also provide important technical support for proposed project activities.

If fiscal sponsors are used, the fiscal sponsor must be an eligible 501(c)(3) organization and should follow the guidance in NAAF's fiscal sponsor information.

Note: The relationship between grantees and the fiscal sponsor is not managed by NAAF and are the sole responsibility of the grantee.

IMPORTANT: FISCAL SPONSOR



NAAF 2023 RFA

- ALLOWABLE
USE OF
FUNDS
- COLLABORATORS,
COOPERATORS,
LEVERAGING
- UNALLOWABLE
USE OF FUNDS
- ADDRESSING
ACCESS TO
CAPITAL
- LIMITATION
ON
INDIRECT
COSTS
- INITIAL
REVIEW ON
ELIGIBILITY
- COST SHARING
OR MATCHING
FUNDS
- ELIGIBILITY
OF
PREVIOUS
GRANTEES



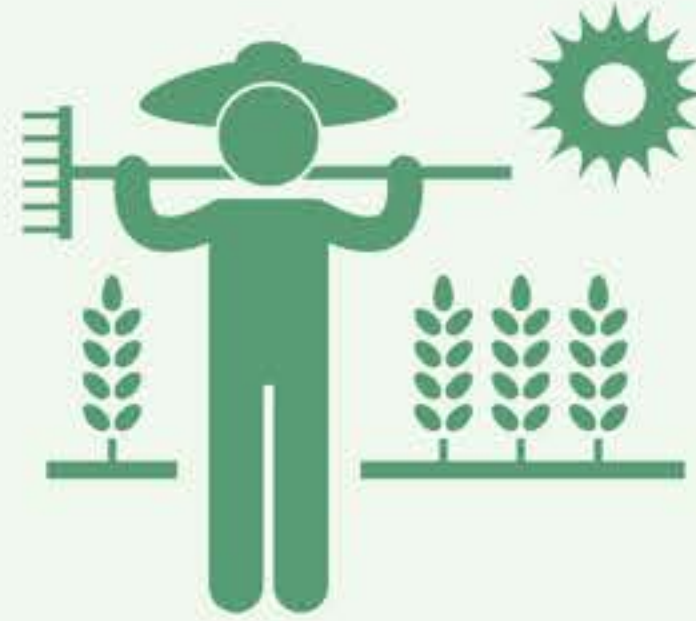
ACCESS TO CAPITAL

- Access to capital was at the core of the Keepseagle case
- A conversation on access to capital is available on our website
- Applications that don't address access to capital will not be funded in 2023

YOUTH PROGRAMMING



All Applicants for Youth Programming are required to use the separate application portal.



Project Types: hands-on food production, support for FFA, 4H, or other youth groups, youth-led community projects, youth ag councils, scholarships, online youth ag activities.



Available pool -
\$1,000,000
Minimum - \$20,000
Maximum - \$200,000

NOTE - BIE SUPPORTED OR CONTROLLED SCHOOLS

NAAF is interested in investing in programs that provide information and guidance to Native youth interested in choosing food and ag as their future career choice, as well as specifically reaching out to Native students who attend these schools.

Because BIE schools are part of the federal government and not one of the four eligible entity types, they are welcome to partner with an eligible entity to pursue funding.

If the BIE school is tribally controlled or receiving federal grants or contracts they may be eligible for funding as a tribal instrumentality, 501(c)(3) org or an educational org, depending on status.





EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION REMINDERS

BROAD DEFINITION

- Covers all those under Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii) of the IRS Code, including K-12 and post-secondary institutions, such as
 - Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs)
 - Native American Serving Non-Tribal Institutions (NASNTIs), and
 - other institutions (must have history and experience in serving Native farmers and ranchers)

FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- FRTEP involvement required at universities with the agents

INSTRUMENTALITIES

Instrumentalities of tribes (state or federally recognized) can mean any number of things. Tribal governments have the latitude to determine which entities are instrumentalities of their governments; NAAF only needs proper documentation of that status. If an organization wishes to be considered as an instrumentality of a Tribal government, the organization must secure and submit an authorizing document from their tribal government to that specific effect. A statement from an organization other than a tribal government will not suffice for this purpose.





TRIBES - IMPORTANT REMINDERS

LIMITED WAIVER OF
SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

Required - no exceptions

EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Impact on Access to Capital (25% weight)
- Proposed Results/Outcomes (25% weight)
- Farmer and Rancher Demand (20% weight)



- Team/Organizational Capacity and Collaborators (10% weight)
- Evaluation (10% weight)
- Innovation and Replicability (10% weight)

APPLICATION REVIEW

COMPONENTS

- Outcome/Results Based Projects
- Access to Capital
- Budget and Budget Narrative
- Grantee Meeting
- Intermediary Funds
- Resume of Key Personnel
- Cover Letters
- Support Letters (optional)





APPLICATION REVIEW CONT.

CONSIDERATIONS

- Progress Reporting & Compliance
- Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest
- Unsuccessful Applicants

BUDGET NOTES

- NAAF's Indirect Limit is 15% - no exceptions
- Applicants must follow the budget guidelines and use required templates
- Applicants must abide by request minimums and maximums as listed in the youth programming category



RFA DEADLINE



**NAAF 2023
GENERAL &
YOUTH RFA
CLOSES:**

June 1, 2023 at
11:59 PM CT

REMINDER:

There is no
opportunity to edit
the application after
the deadline

FOUNDANT - ONLINE APPLICATION

- Returning applicants: logon with existing credentials
- New applicants: click "Create New Account" button to access application

Logon Page

Email Address*

The Email Address* field is required.

Password*

The Password* field is required.

Log On

Create New Account

[Forgot your Password?](#)



Welcome to the Native American Agriculture Fund's Online Portal

New Users: Please "Create New Account" to complete the registration process and create your logon credentials. Completing this step will enable you to enter the application site and begin your application.

Existing Users: If you have already created an account, please enter your credentials and log in. If you forgot your password, please use the "forgot your password" link to the left to reset your password.

Not Sure? If you think that you or someone within your organization or tribe may have already registered in the system, do not create a new account. Please contact grants@nativeamericanagriculturefund.org to confirm the correct login information and receive your username and password.

Before you create an account be sure to review the following documents on our website:

- The Trust Agreement
- The Application Instructions
- The full Request for Funding Application Questions

<https://nativeamericanagriculturefund.org/grants/>

FOUNDANT - APPLICANT DASHBOARD

Native American Agriculture Fund



Apply

Applicant Dashboard

Public Profile

Applicant:



Organization:



[Contact Email History](#)

i If your organization information does not appear correct, please click the edit (pencil) icon.

Active Requests **0**

Historical Requests **1**

i You do not have any Active Requests. Click [Apply](#) to begin the application process.

FOUNDANT - HOW TO APPLY

Native American Agriculture Fund



Apply



Apply

Quick Search

2023 Request for Applications - General - Imported

Accepting Submissions from 03/28/2023 to 06/01/2023

Apply

Apply here to seek Targeted Funding for 501(c)(3) organizations, educational organizations, CDFIs, and Tribes/instrumentalities. This includes general focus and special focus areas (Ag Infrastructure; Beginning Farmer and Rancher; Inflation Assistance & Supply Chain Relief; Market Access; and Tribal Departments of Agriculture).

Preview

2023 Request for Applications - Youth - Imported

Accepting Submissions from 03/28/2023 to 06/01/2023

Apply


Apply here for youth programming.


Reminder: This application closes on Thursday, June 01, 2023, at 11:59 pm CT.

Preview

FOUNDANT - APPLICATION


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Apply

Application

 Public Profile

 Copy Previous Answers

 Collaborate 0


Process: 2023 Request for Applications - Youth - Imported

Contact InfoRequestDocuments

Applicant:


Organization:


Contact Email History

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Application

Question List

 Due by 06/01/2023 11:59 PM CDT.

 Fields with an asterisk (*) are required.

Introduction

A wide-angle photograph of a center pivot irrigation system in a vast agricultural field. The system consists of a long metal arm supported by a series of wheels, stretching across the landscape. The foreground is a dark, tilled field, while the middle ground shows a strip of green grass where the wheels are currently positioned. The background is a flat expanse of land under a blue sky with scattered white clouds. The text "QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION" is overlaid in large, white, bold capital letters across the center of the image.

QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION



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SAVE THE DATES

Schedule of 2023 NAAF RFA Webinars



- Thursday, April 27th from 2-4 PM CT
- Thursday, May 11th from 2-4 PM CT
- Thursday, May 25th from 2-4 PM CT

