

ŚW,ǾENENITEL Spring Grant Application Form 2022

Applications Open: April 4th, 2022

Application Deadline: ~~April 22nd, 2022~~ Extended to May 6, 2022

ŚW,ǾENENITEL is committed to making this process accessible to our community members and communities, from the filling out the forms to receiving the funds. We are also learning together and are led by Indigenous ways of being and knowing. **This entire Grant Process, including the Grant Applications, can be done orally (phone or video) or in writing.**

Do not feel discouraged if you have never applied for a grant or led a project before. We want to hear about your ideas and support the vision of our relations. Please reach out with questions or feedback.

Written Application: Submit completed Form to grants@indigenousfoodsinitiative.com.

Oral Application: Call 250-710-3324 during business hours to arrange time to submit Form by phone or video.

These grants aim to eliminate financial barriers from the colonial economy and inspire change by investing in the land, which is where our wealth as x^wilŋəx^w | hwulmuhw | quu?as lives. These grants are an investment and legacy for our future generations, and we need your help to materialize the work together. ŚW,ǾENENITEL organizes the Initiative work and grants to reflect the nature of collaboration and interconnectedness of Indigenous leadership. We know that when we collaborate and lead together that the result will far exceed our visions of success.

Applicant Information:

Applicants must:

- Currently reside or work within the CRD (for grant distribution¹).

Applicants must meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Ancestral to one or more of the 4 ancestral territories ŚW,ǾENENITEL serves;
- Clear connection to any of the 4 ancestral territories served by ŚW,ǾENENITEL (relationship to land, families, communities, etc); and/or
- Indigenous Person or Persons living or working within the CRD, willing to follow local protocols of the lands in which they are on.

See Spring Grants Criteria document for more details (on our [website](#)).

¹ Due to the limitations of the administrative partners of the ŚW,ǾENENITEL Initiative, funds need to be disbursed to those with an address in the colonial borders of the CRD. Please contact us if you have questions or need clarification.

A) Personal Information

Name:

Organization or Group (if applicable):

Mailing Address:

Email:

Phone (or reliable way to contact you):

Please describe your Indigenous/ancestral connection to land, water, and territories through your lineage, community ties, and relations (Max. 300 words): See the Applicant Eligibility in Criteria if needed.

1. How do you imagine/dream our communities working together in creating and sustaining Food Sovereignty (Max 200 words):

2. Are you interested in working with Indigenous Plants and Ecosystems? (Yes or No):

3. Would you be interested in participating in an Invasive Species removal? (Yes or No):

B) Grant Amount

Individual: (1-2 ppl) \$100-1,000	Family-Community: (3+ ppl) \$1,000-\$5,000	Large-Scale Community (multiple families, communities) Up to \$10,000
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Level of Grant (above):

Amount of Funding Requested: \$

Note: This grant can be added to an existing project or budget, and can be used for equipment or material costs. The grant does not require a project to be eligible for funding, especially for individuals.

Grant Proposal Information:

- A) Selection of **Grant Category**
- B) **Proposal Summary:** How are the funds being used?
 - Option A) Material/supplies, wage subsidy, program costs, etc.
 - Option B) Project or initiative
- C) Proposal **Timeline**, with major actions, outcomes, activities, events
- D) Proposal **Budget**, which details planned expenditures
- E) References of **support from community** members or communities (written/oral)

A) Grant Categories Note: We recognize there will be overlap, but choose the Category that matches your intention and focus.

Choose Grant Category (1, 2, 3, or 4):

1. Fill Your Basket + Community Harvest

This grant provides funds for food initiatives or harvesting equipment that meet the needs of current and future generations.

2. Maintenance + Restoration

This grant makes funds available for maintaining the integrity of tǣŋǣx^w | nisǣma | tumulhw (earth) and restoring balance to our ecosystems.

3. Storytelling

This grant option focuses on echoing the stories of the tǣŋǣx^w | nisǣma | tumulhw (earth) and our ancestors where the visions of our peoples can be heard, seen and felt together.

4. Transformation and Transition

This grant option seeks to promote innovation and creativity in our communities that hold up the knowledge of the land and our experiences as x^wilŋǣx^w | quu?as | hwulmuhw.

B) Proposal Details

Proposal Title (if applicable):

Proposal Summary (max 300 words):

C) Proposal Timeline: List major events, activities, actions, outcomes, etc. and mark an 'x' for the months it will likely take place. Add rows as needed.

	2022										2023	
Description of activity	May	Jun	Jul	Au	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ja	Feb	Mar	Apr

D) Proposal Budget: Add rows as needed.

Item	Amount	Description
EXAMPLE: Printing costs	\$200	Youth led magazine reporting about community
Total Amount:	\$	

Application Agreement:

I have filled out this application to the best of my abilities and I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to be accountable to the ŚW,ØENENITEL Initiative, local Indigenous communities, ŚW,ØENENITEL funding partners, ŚW,ØENENITEL grant model, ŚW,ØENENITEL grant criteria, and ŚW,ØENENITEL grant application process. I have read or reviewed with the ŚW,ØENENITEL Leadership Team the requirements of myself, or the organization I represent, and understand my responsibilities.

Signature:

Date:

COVID-19 Statement:

We are doing our best to navigate fulfilling our obligations to place based Indigenous protocols while taking the precautions to keep our communities safe. It is in our culture and ancestral ways to be connected and to gather often, so we recognize the tremendous impact isolation is having on our families and communities. ŚW,ØENENITEL values our relationships, and will work to continue serving our people together.