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GRANTS/AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS/ CONTESTS/RFPs

ALASKA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION is happy to announce a **NEW SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM**. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis with awards ranging from \$500 to \$2,000 and preference given to organizations with annual operating budgets under \$200,000. The goal of this grantmaking program is to foster a more effective, sustainable conservation movement through funding to strengthen its leadership base, encourage collaboration and help leaders and organizations navigate changing political and economic climates. Details can be found at www.alaskaconservation.org/grant-opportunities/small-grants-program.

OFFICE OF INDIAN ENERGY intends to solicit applications from Indian Tribes (including Alaska Native regional corporations and village corporations) and tribal energy resource development organizations under the following topic areas:

- Conduct energy options analyses
- Establish baseline energy use
- Develop energy organizations
- Conduct climate resiliency planning
- Establish policy, regulations, and codes to reduce energy use or promote energy develop
- Obtain skills and training related to energy use and development

It is expected that proposed activities will result in specific measurable results or end-products that will lead to the development and deployment of energy solutions, and/or build knowledge or skills necessary to implement successful strategic energy solutions. [U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs: Notice of Intent: First Steps Toward Developing Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency on Tribal Lands](#) **Deadline:** Unspecified

Contact: Christina Dunn at tribal@ee.doe.gov **Eligibility:** Native American tribal governments and Native American tribal organizations are eligible to apply. **Award Information:** Unspecified at this time.

October 24, 2016

Deadline for **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE & NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION: FY 2017 SPECIES RECOVERY GRANTS TO TRIBES**. The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) recognizes the unique importance of many protected species to tribes and values ongoing efforts by tribal nations to conserve and protect species under NMFS' jurisdiction. NMFS is authorized to provide Federal assistance to tribes to support conservation programs for marine and anadromous species under its jurisdiction. This assistance, provided in the form of grants, can be used to support conservation of endangered, threatened, and candidate or proposed species, as well as post-delisting monitoring of recovered species. Proposals that address the recovery of one of the following critically endangered species are encouraged this year and will be considered a priority for funding: Atlantic salmon, white abalone, Cook Inlet beluga whales, Hawaiian monk seals, Pacific leatherback sea turtles, and southern resident killer whales. **Award Information:** Up to approximately \$300,000 in funding is available. While there is no set minimum or maximum amount for any award, most awards are expected to be in the range of

\$10,000 to \$100,000 per year. Funding will be provided in 12-month increments, with a maximum project period of three years. **Deadline:** 11:59 p.m. EDT, October 24, 2016
Contact: Heather Coll at (301) 427-8455 or heather.coll@noaa.gov **Eligibility:** Eligible applicants are federally recognized tribes.

October 31

Deadline for application for **LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND PROJECTS**. The federally-funded program provides up to 50 percent matching grants for acquisition or development of parks and other public outdoor recreation facilities. State, regional and local entities with the legal authority to provide park and recreation services on public lands are eligible to apply. The application package, including blank forms, examples and rating criteria is available online at <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/lwcf.htm> or by contacting LWCF Grants Administrator Jean Ayers at jean.ayers@alaska.gov or call 907-269-8694.

**** November 4**

Deadline for application for the **EE-Kickstarter Competitive Award**. AHFC has allocated \$150,000 to assist facility owners to implement energy efficiency projects. Kickstarter competitive awards will be given to at least 15 facility owners across Alaska to accelerate energy efficiency project development. The maximum award is \$10,000 per facility owner. This Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) is open to School Districts, Regional Education Attendance Areas (REAA's), Federally Recognized Tribes, and Municipalities with a population base of 20,000 or less. Funding provided through the United States Department of Energy. Applications and instructions for this Funding Announcement can be found at <https://www.ahfc.us/pros/notices/funding-availability/>. Applications must be received by 4:30 pm Local Anchorage Time, November 4, 2016. Please direct questions and submissions to rjordan@ahfc.us or 907-330-8115.

****November 14**

Deadline for applications for the **US FISH & WILDLIFE SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM**, a competitive, matching grants program that supports public-private partnerships carrying out projects in the United States that further the goals of the [North American Wetlands Conservation Act](#). These projects must involve long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats for the benefit of all wetlands-associated migratory birds. From September 1996 through April 2016, some 1,600 partners in 750 projects have received more than \$43.2 million in grants. They have contributed another \$155 million in matching funds to affect 359,000 acres of habitat. Go to [U.S. Small NAWCA Grant](#) to learn how to apply. For more information, go to <https://www.fws.gov/birds/grants/north-american-wetland-conservation-act/small-grants.php>.

****November 17**

Deadline for requests for proposals for the **DEVELOPING THE NEXT GENERATION OF CONSERVATIONISTS 2017** from the **NATIONAL FISH and WILDLIFE FOUNDATION (NFWF)** in cooperation with its federal partners, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and Forest Service (USFS) announce an initiative to connect youth to the outdoors by providing financial support for conservation employment

programs. The initiative, Developing the Next Generation of Conservationists, brings together public and private partners to support those organizations that are developing innovative conservation job opportunities for youth on public lands. These job opportunities, in turn, expose young people, particularly urban, tribal and minority youth, to the natural world and career opportunities available in conservation. In 2017, approximately \$1.5 million (\$1,000,000 BLM, \$225,000 Reclamation and \$350,000 USFS (subject to appropriations) will be available for matching grants nationwide. The funding is part of the 21st Century Conservation Service Corps (21CSC) effort to provide meaningful employment opportunities to young Americans to protect, restore, and enhance our nation's great outdoors. Project work funded through this program is restricted to habitat and species restoration projects that directly benefit BLM, Reclamation and USFS facilities, lands, programs or mission.

****November 30**

Deadline for applications for [**NOAA'S TEACHER AT SEA PROGRAM**](#) for 2017.

Applications and references are accepted only through the online application system from November 1–30. Interested applicants should (1) visit the [Frequently Asked Questions page](#) to learn more about program eligibility and expectations and (2) download the [pdf preview of the application](#).

December 19

Deadline for applications for the **MARINE DEBRIS RESEARCH GRANT** for proposals for research on marine debris impact and behaviors. This opportunity provides funding to support eligible organizations to conduct research directly related to marine debris through field, laboratory, and modeling experiments. Applicants requesting funding for research that explores the ecological risk associated with marine debris, determines debris exposure levels, and examines the fate and transport of marine debris in nearshore, coastal environments are welcome to apply. Projects may address one or more of these research priorities and should be original, hypothesis-driven projects that have not previously been addressed to scientific standards. For questions on the opportunity, please contact Peter Murphy (peter.murphy@noaa.gov). MDP Summary - <https://marinedebris.noaa.gov/funding/funding-opportunities>, Grants.Gov Full Opportunity - <http://www.grantbs.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=289016>.