INVESTING IN
NATIVE COMMUNITIES

NATIVE-LED GRANTMAKERS AND FUNDS

“Support and partnerships are most effective when Native Nations and Indigenous peoples are driving the solutions and strategies ... on issues that they have identified as a priority.”
– Vicky Stott (Ho-Chunk), W.K. Kellogg Foundation

Consider supporting a Native intermediary. The following Native-led organizations may have broader missions, but re-granting to Native-led organizations is a component of their work:

- American Indian College Fund
- Cherokee Preservation Foundation
- Colorado Plateau Foundation
- First Nations Development Institute
- First Peoples Fund
- Hawai’i People’s Fund
- Indian Land Tenure Foundation
- NDN Collective
- Notah Begay III Foundation
- Potlatch Fund
- Seventh Generation Fund for Indigenous Peoples

These funds within philanthropic organizations support Native-led organizations:

- Generation Indigenous supports Native youth leaders in advocacy efforts (Minneapolis Foundation, in partnership with Native Americans in Philanthropy)
- The Mino-Niibi Fund for Indigenous Cultures provides small grants to Indigenous-led organizations in the Americas and the Pacific (Cultural Conservancy)
- The Native Cultures Fund supports California Indian culture bearers, artists, lifeways, and knowledge transmission (Humboldt Area Community Foundation)
- Native Voices Rising supports Native-led grassroots advocacy organizations (Common Counsel Foundation, in partnership with Native Americans in Philanthropy)

Are we missing any Native-led funds or grantmakers? Let us know! Contact nativephilanthropy@candid.org.