

SPIPA Tribal Consultation
Economic Advancement Grants for Local Empowerment (EAGLE)

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The ANA Economic Advancement Grants for Local Empowerment (EAGLE) program supports Native communities in developing sustainable economic opportunities, workforce pathways, community capacity, and locally designed solutions that strengthen self-sufficiency and economic prosperity.

SPIPA is exploring submission of an Administration for Native Americans (ANA) EAGLE grant application to continue and expand economic development opportunities for Tribal communities through the SPIPA Entrepreneur Program.

Category	Details
Agency Program	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration for Native Americans (ANA) EAGLE: Economic Advancement Grants for Local Empowerment
Funding Opportunity #	HHS-2026-ACF-ANA-NEG-0120
Funding Type	Competitive discretionary grant program supporting Native community economic development, workforce development, entrepreneurship, and community-designed solutions.
Estimated Awards	Approximately 31 awards nationwide; estimated \$24 million.
Award Range	\$300,000 minimum to \$1,000,000 maximum.
Planned SPIPA Request	Up to \$1,000,000 over a 36-month project period (amount subject to final project design and budget development).
Application	August 27, 2026.
Estimated Award Date	September 30, 2026.
Period of Performance	36 months, beginning September 30, 2026.
Cost Sharing / Match	ANA requires a non-federal cost share of at least 20% of total project costs.
SPIPA Project Lead	TBD
Proposed Project Concept	Tribal Economic Advancement Pathways: a certificate-based economic development education model providing workforce pathways for both youth and adults, including structured training opportunities that lead to course completion, skill development, and entrepreneurial growth.
Target Population	Tribal youth and adults

Proposed Project Concept

Over the past several years, SPIPA has developed the Entrepreneur Program through the Indigenous Business Incubator Program (IBIP), entrepreneur training activities, technical assistance, and workforce development partnerships. These efforts have demonstrated significant interest in entrepreneurship, financial literacy, business development, and workforce advancement among Tribal citizens.

As SPIPA plans for long-term sustainability, an opportunity exists to create a more structured approach to economic development education and participant advancement. SPIPA is considering development of a regional economic advancement initiative that would provide structured educational pathways for both Tribal youth and adults.

Potential courses for Youth & Adult Pathways may include:

1. Entrepreneurial strengths, readiness, and goal setting
2. Business concept development and feasibility
3. Customer discovery and market research
4. Business-model and business-plan development
5. Business formation, legal structure, and registration
6. Licensing, permits, insurance, and regulatory compliance
7. Business taxes and tax readiness
8. Accounting, bookkeeping, and financial records
9. Budgeting, cash flow, and financial management
10. Personal and business credit
11. Access to capital and financing readiness
12. Marketing strategy, branding, advertising, and public relations
13. Website development, e-commerce, and digital presence
14. Social media and digital marketing
15. Sales, pricing, and customer service
16. Business operations and management systems
17. Hiring, staffing, and leadership
18. Contracting, procurement, and negotiation
19. Legal issues and risk management
20. Networking, mentorship, and strategic partnerships
21. Product development, production, and commercialization
22. Technology and digital business tools
23. Reentry from incarceration to community

Proposed Budget - DRAFT

Cost Categories	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
a. Personnel	\$ 73,893.00	\$ 77,388.00	\$79,717.00	\$230,998.00
b. Fringe Benefits	\$ 25,862.55	\$ 27,085.80	\$27,900.95	\$80,849.30
c. Travel	\$ 15,355.76	\$ 12,350.26	\$12,350.26	\$40,056.29
d. Equipment	-	-	-	-
e. Supplies	\$ 10,650.00	\$ 10,650.00	\$10,650.00	\$31,950.00
f. Contractual	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$225,000.00
g. Construction	-	-	-	-
h. Other	\$ 56,970.65	\$ 55,257.89	\$52,113.74	\$164,342.28
i. Total Direct Charges	\$ 257,731.96	\$ 257,731.96	\$257,731.96	\$773,195.88
j. Indirect Charges	\$ 42,268.04	\$ 42,268.04	\$42,268.04	\$126,804.12
k. TOTAL FEDERAL REQUEST	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$300,000.00	\$900,000.00
Federal Share	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$300,000.00	\$900,000.00
Non-federal share (match) budgeted	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$225,000.00
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$ 375,000.00	\$ 375,000.00	\$375,000.00	\$1,125,000.00