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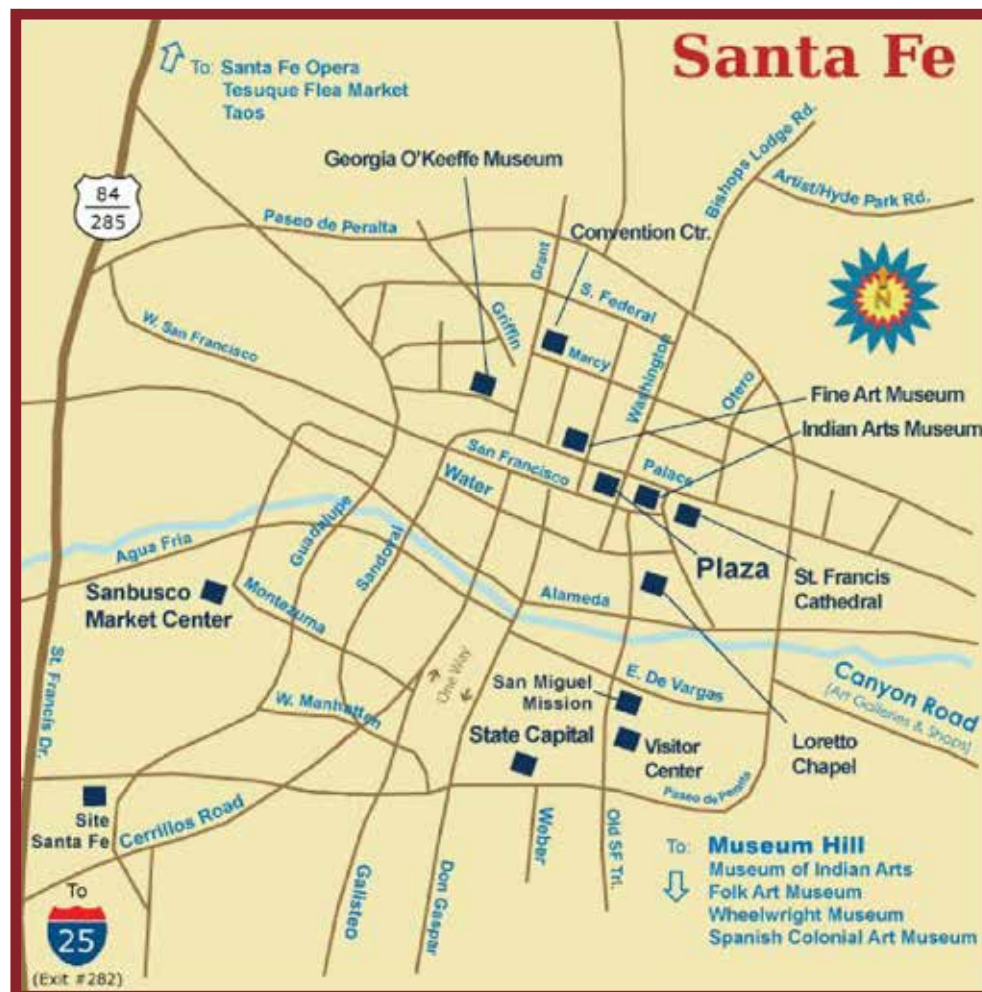
SANTA FE

"The City Different"

Santa Fe, New Mexico, or as it is nicknamed "The City Different," is the second oldest city in the United States and oldest capital city in North America. It is situated in the foothills of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, the southernmost subrange of the Rocky Mountains. The story of Santa Fe starts off a thousand years ago when the area was inhabited by a number of Pueblo Indians with founding dates between 1050 and 1150. Since its establishment in 1607, Santa Fe has been a place for diverse cultures to thrive together and a hub for commercial trading.

Today, there are 19 Native American communities of New Mexico, 8 of which are located near Santa Fe. These sovereign communities have their own tribal governments, traditions, and ceremonies.

We hope you will take the time to experience the City of Santa Fe, its traditions, history and culture.



Conference Requests, Considerations and Information

We would greatly appreciate it if everyone would allow tradition holders, elders and those with special needs to get in line first—especially for meals, transport or use of bathrooms.

It is important that we stay on schedule out of respect to speakers, as well as fellow participants. Please be on time for plenaries, sessions, short talks, and site visits. We will notify participants when breaks are concluding.

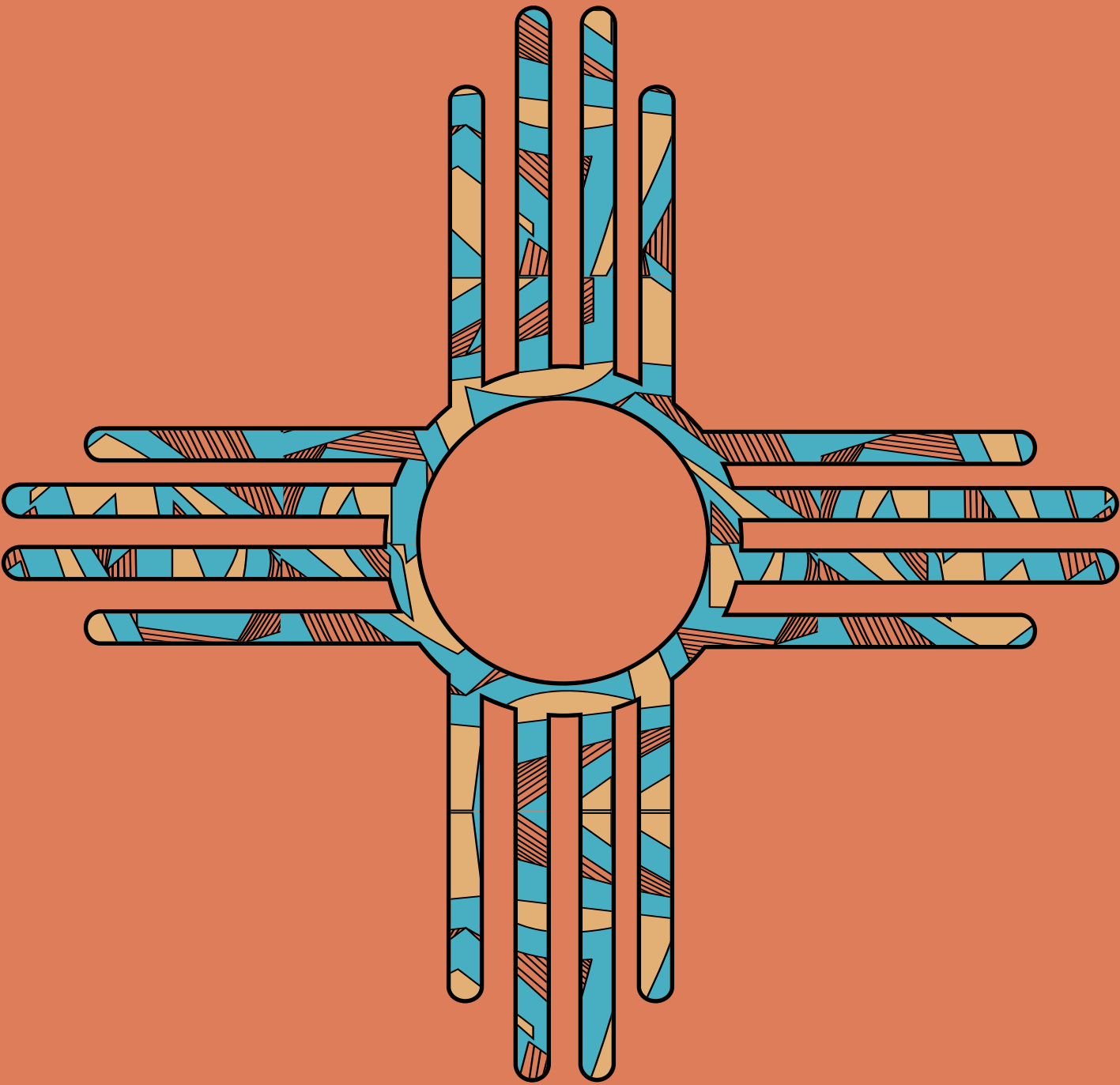
Please take care of yourself. Take the time you need to rest or to make new friends, even if this occurs during the program. As we gather this week to learn from and get to know one another, we hope you will make the most of the conference. To participate in rich discussion and ensure diverse voices are represented in the different conference sessions and activities, we would appreciate it if you would stay on-site during conference hours.

To encourage deeper meaning and respect during group discussion times throughout the gathering, we invite you to:

- Feel free to ask any questions—all questions are welcome and are often the best way to initiate dialogue
- Share honestly from your personal experience
- Listen first and then speak succinctly, so that others might also have a chance to speak or share

NO SOLICITATION POLICY

IFIP's conference is intended as a space for grant-makers to engage in learning, collaboration, and networking. A strict "no solicitation" policy is enforced during the conference. Also, we ask you to be respectful and please refrain from mass mailing conference participants.



Dear Members and Friends,

We are thrilled to welcome you to International Funders for Indigenous Peoples’ Global Indigenous Funders Conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

This year’s conference theme is Bolstering Effective Indigenous Philanthropy: Supporting Indigenous Solutions for Long-term Change. IFIP’s conference hopes to spark conversations and action on how philanthropy centers equity and leadership and the life plans of Indigenous Peoples. We will explore how funders can move away from their programmatic silos to thinking about whole systems and regenerative solutions to effectively support Indigenous worldviews.

We believe that deep listening and peer learning can instill new ideas and build bridges for pathways to genuine economic, social, and climate justice. The conference emphasizes embracing a relational approach with grantees rather than simply a transactional relationship.

At the core of IFIP’s philosophy are our values-- the 4 Rs of Indigenous philanthropy: Respect, Responsibility, Reciprocity and Relationships. This gathering will strive to provide a learning space for reflection and challenge business-as-usual in philanthropy that struggles with power dynamics and a prevalent funding gap between philanthropy and Indigenous communities. This year’s conference tracks are designed to foster learning and dialogue:

Track 1: Expanding the Sphere of Funding: Shifting Roadblocks to Resourcing, Silos to Synergy

Track 2: Resilience and Revitalization of Indigenous Knowledge and Practice

Track 3: Potentializing and Supporting Indigenous Self Determination: Lessons and Opportunities
Through conference sessions, site visits, workshop and networking, we hope to spark action and to strengthen partnerships and alliances across the globe among Indigenous Peoples and funders.

New Mexico’s rich history and leadership by local tribes and nations will offer a powerful place for learning and building new connections. The conference coincides with Santa Fe’s second annual Indigenous Peoples Day; participants are welcome to join the closing ceremony at the end of Monday.

We are deeply grateful to the leadership and vision of our conference planning committee and sessions organizers who for the last months have been contributing to make this a great conference.

We are also thankful to our generous sponsors, site visits hosts, IFIP members, volunteers, and consultants who have made this gathering possible.

Thank you, again, for joining us! We are honored.

Warmly,



Suzanne Benally
Conference Co-Chair
IFIP Board Member



Jim Enote
Conference Co-Chair



Lourdes Inga
Executive Director

IFIP Global Indigenous Funders Conference Planning Committee

Suzanne Benally, Co-Chair - Cultural Survival and IFIP Board

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Galina Angarova – Swift Foundation

Sofia Arroyo, formally with Sacred Fire Foundation

Casey Box - Land is Life

Susan Balbas - Na’ah Illahee Fund

Myrna Cunningham – Pawanka Fund

Steven Heim - Boston Common Asset Management

Anne Henshaw - Oak Foundation

Angela Martinez - IFIP Board Member

Julieta Mendez- Foundation Center

Melissa Nelson - Cultural Conservancy

Shaun Paul- Ejido Verde

Martina Paloheimo - Global Indigenous Trust

Melissa Stevens - Cultural Survival

Sonja Swift – Windrose Fund

Rose van Thater-Imai - The Native American Academy

Teresa Zapeta - International Indigenous Women’s Forum

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

The IFIP 2018 Global Conference is predicated on IFIP's ultimate goal to build an effective local and global philanthropic infrastructure that expands the capacity of donors and Indigenous communities to form partnerships, increase resources for Indigenous initiatives, and improve the accessibility and quality of support.

The gathering builds on IFIP's yearly programming and explores donor practices and strategies that best align with Indigenous values. It challenges participants on how to practice the kind of philanthropy that fosters relationships based on the 4R's of Indigenous philanthropy. The Four R's include Respect for the traditions and ideas of Indigenous Peoples, Reciprocity in giving and receiving, Responsibility for recognizing Indigenous Peoples should speak for themselves, and Relationships with Indigenous communities. The conference will provide the learning space to tackle these issues and will facilitate the building of support networks to implement solutions.

IFIP's conference fosters a growing cohort of funders with a deepened commitment and understanding of Indigenous communities; welcoming new funders in the effort to advance Indigenous solutions to local and global priorities; engaging funders in a global working community that supports issues of importance in Indigenous communities; and creating a network of funders who value being part of a collaborative, global community.

OPENING PLENARY

As an IFIP global community, we continue to reflect on which donor strategies best align with Indigenous values. We aim to nurture the kind of funding relationships that are based on the 4R's of Indigenous philanthropy (Respect, Responsibility, Reciprocity and Relationships) and sustain them.

The opening plenary will provide an opportunity to learn from seasoned funders committed to Bolstering Indigenous Philanthropy. Each panelist will provide insights and lessons learned and the importance of expanding funder partnerships to Indigenous Peoples locally and globally that is responsive to Indigenous Peoples, their issues and values.

Moderator: Alvin Warren, W.K. Kellogg Foundation

Speakers:
Anne Henshaw, Oak Foundation
Dr. Chelsea Grootveld, Māori Trustee of J. R. McKenzie Trust

CLOSING PLENARY

We envision a global funding community that engages with philanthropic infrastructure that expands the capacity of donors and Indigenous communities to form partnerships, shift philanthropy to a more equitable distribution of philanthropic resources and quality of support for Indigenous Peoples.

The closing plenary will focus on Supporting Indigenous Solutions and Partnerships for Long-Term Change. Speakers are invited to focus on reflections, possibilities, and a vision for how to further develop and strengthen a global community of funders listening, partnering, and resourcing Indigenous Peoples' rights, priorities, and aspirations.

Moderator: Lourdes Inga, International Funders for Indigenous Peoples

Speakers:
Itoah Scott-Enns, Arctic Funders Collaborative
Kris Archie, The Circle on Philanthropy and Aboriginal Peoples in Canada

IFIP’S FIRST GATHERING OF
INDIGENOUS-LED FUNDS

PRE-CONFERENCE EVENT

IFIP believes Indigenous-led funds play an important role in informing and advocating for a new paradigm of giving and funding practice. The first IFIP Indigenous-led Funds Gathering will bring together established and new Indigenous-led funds to connect with each other, and to foster relationship building.

IFIP FUNDER’S RETREAT

POST-CONFERENCE EVENT

The Funder’s Retreat aims to energize a global community of funders that values working in collaboration and complementary ways, and learning from peers on how to effectively support Indigenous organizations and networks across different geographies, themes, and movements.

STORY CENTER

DeVARGAS

IFIP is excited to partner with Story Center to gather stories and testimonials from funders and Indigenous organizations, who are re-imagining philanthropy to be responsive and accountable to the priorities and life plans of Indigenous communities. IFIP aims to amplify narratives of Indigenous philanthropy that are rooted in equity and self-determination. We invite our conference delegates to share their perspectives, wisdom and lessons learned as funders and as Indigenous

organizations. These will be short testimonials and stories that we hope can be shared widely within the philanthropic community.



TOTAL PORTFOLIO ACTIVATION
WITH AN INDIGENOUS LENS

CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

This workshop will provide different examples of total portfolio activation for foundations or investors seeking positive and lasting social and environmental impacts or results across asset classes in a portfolio/endowment. Participants will learn how to engage and pursue these various opportunities and how these different vehicles can support Indigenous communities’ self-determined economic opportunities and development.

Presenters:

Sonja Swift, Swift Foundation

Shaun Paul, Ejido Verde

Steven Heim, Boston Common Asset Management

TBD

SANTA FE INDIAN SCHOOL

SITE VISIT

Santa Fe Indian School (SFIS) was established in 1890 by the US Federal Government to educate Native American children. At the time, it was believed the “standards” for the American way of life could be imparted on Native American children by removing them from their cultures and sending them to these specific boarding schools. Beginning in the 1920s, the federal Indian policy began to shift and new policies were put into action to protect Native Americans. Eventually, SFIS became a tribally controlled school and in 2000, the land was turned over to the 19 Pueblo Governors of New Mexico. These changes have allowed SFIS to build a curriculum around educational sovereignty, “the right and responsibility to educate New Mexico Indian children in manner that supports their cultural and traditional belief systems.”

INDIAN ARTS RESEARCH
CENTER

SITE VISIT

The Indian Arts Research Center (IARC) is a division of the School for Advanced Research (SAR). The IARC’s collection of Southwestern Native American Art is considered one of the most remarkable in the world. SAR was originally founded in 1907 to excavate, study, and preserve artifacts from Indigenous sites such as Mesa Verde and Chaco Canyon. Later, in the 1970s, SAR reinvented itself and relocated to its present location in Santa Fe’s historic east side. Over the next decade, they expanded their work to include the Advanced Seminar Program, Resident Scholar Program,

and several publications including the SAR Press. Their mission was to promote and embrace the anthropological study of Southwestern Indian Art. Today, IARC works to provide fellowship opportunities and an environment for Native artists to work in uninterrupted creativity. With these fellowship programs, IARC helps Native artists to engage with researchers, scholars, and community members to continue promoting the study and exploration of the IARC collection of Native American arts.

TESUQUE PUEBLO

SITE VISIT

Tesuque Pueblo has occupied its present location since the 1200s and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Although it is one of New Mexico’s smallest pueblos with a population of about 800, it spreads across more than 17,000 acres in the Sangre de Cristo Mountain foothills. The name Tesuque is a Spanish variation of the Tewa name, Tet-Sugeh, which means, “ the village at the narrow place between the cottonwood trees.” Though it is located only 10 miles north of Santa Fe, the pueblo has resisted much of the Spanish and American cultural influences. It remains one of the more traditional Tewa speaking pueblos. Tesuque is home to many fine artists who are known for their pottery, painting and sculpture, particularly rain gods, whimsical figures originally invented for tourists in the 1880s. In Particular, this site visit will focus on Tesuque Pueblo’s food sovereignty efforts, including fostering traditional seeds and crops.

Indigenous Peoples DAY OCTOBER 6-8, 2018

Throughout the year, people visit Santa Fe to experience the rich and authentic Native American arts and culture the city has to offer. In 2016, the City of Santa Fe decided to officially designate the second Monday of October as Indigenous Peoples Day, to honor its Native American community and neighboring Pueblos and Tribes found throughout New Mexico. The holiday celebrates and embraces the contributions Native Americans have made to the history and culture of Santa Fe by inviting all to participate in the sharing of different Native American cultures. This year, 2018, the second annual celebration of Indigenous Peoples Day is taking on a whole weekend filled with traditional dances and performance starting on Saturday, October 6, and concluding on Monday, October 8.



Photos by Gabriela Campos, The Santa Fe New Mexican



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, October 6, 2018
12:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Traditional Native American
Dance and Performances

Sunday, October 7, 2018
12:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Traditional Native American
Dance and Performances

Monday, October 8, 2018
10:00 AM - 5:30 PM
Traditional Native American
Dance and Performances

Events are subject to revision



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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7 • PRE-CONFERENCE

- 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

IFIP Learning Institute Retreat
 Parallel Activity
Lamy
- 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

First Global Gathering of Indigenous Led Funds
 Indigenous Led Funds Only
Coronado
- 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Registration & Membership Tables Open
1st floor
- 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Indigenous Peoples’ Day
 Traditional Native American Dances and Performances
Santa Fe Historic Plaza
- 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Networking
Self-organized
- 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Self-organized Dinner

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8 • DAY 1

- 7:30 am – 4:00 pm

Registration & Membership Tables Open
1st floor
- 7:30 am – 8:45 am

Breakfast
Ballroom
- 9:00 am – 9:45 am

Conference Welcomings
 Traditional Welcome • Welcome by IFIP • Welcome by Conference Co-Chairs
Ballroom
- 9:45 am – 10:45am

Opening Plenary
 Bolstering Indigenous Philanthropy
Ballroom
- 10:45 am – 11:30 am

Indigenous-Led Funds Gathering Sharing
Ballroom
- 11:30 am – 12:00 pm

Board Update on IFIP
Ballroom
- 12:00 pm – 1:15 pm

Lunch • Networking
Ballroom

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8 • DAY 1

- 1:15 pm – 2:30 pm

Track 1 • Session 1
 Resisting Barriers and Equipping Sensible & Strategic Native-Led Philanthropy
Coronado
- Track 2 • Session 1**
 World Building: Indigenous Futures
Peralta
- Track 3 • Session 1**
 Mana Motuhake: Self-determination and Autonomy within a Non-Indigenous Philanthropic Organization. An Aotearoa New Zealand Perspective.
Lamy
- 2:30 pm – 2:45 pm

Break
Ballroom & Courtyard
- 2:45 pm – 4:00 pm

Track 1 • Session 2
 Transformative Strategies -Collaboration for Transformation and Reconciliation and the Power of Directed Networks
Coronado
- Track 2 • Session 2**
 Strategies to Recover Territory and Strengthen Indigenous Governance for Self-Determination and Climate Resilience
Peralta
- Track 3 • Session 2**
 Engaging Indigenous LGBTQ Youth and Generating a National Dialogue in the Philippines
Lamy
- 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Indigenous Peoples Day Closing
 Traditional Native American Dances and Performances
Santa Fe Historic Plaza
- 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Dine-Arounds
 Self-organized by Topic
TBD

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9 • DAY 2

- 7:30 am – 4:00 pm

Registration & Membership
1st Floor
- 7:30 am – 8:30 am

Breakfast
Ballroom
- 8:20 am – 8:30 am

Announcements and Logistics
Ballroom
- 8:30 am – 9:00 am

Morning Short Talks
Ballroom
- 9:15 am – 10:30 am

Track 1 • Session 3

Building Competency for Indigenous Values-and Rights-Based Grant-Making: Strategies, Challenges, and Insights

Coronado

Track 2 • Session 3

Rethinking Indigenous Autonomy from Indigenous Food Systems

Peralta

Track 3 • Session 3

Midwifery and Indigenous Self Determination: Transforming discourse and action in Latin America

Lamy
- 10:30 am – 11:00 am

Break • Site Visit Participants Meet in Lobby
Buses Leave at 10:30 am
Ballroom & Courtyard • Lobby
- 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Site Visits
Indian Arts Research Center • Santa Fe Indian School • Tesuque Pueblo
- 11:00 am – 1:30 pm

Conference Workshop • For those not attending Site Visits
Total Portfolio Activation with an Indigenous Lens
Ballroom
- 1:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Break
Ballroom & Courtyard
- 2:00 pm – 3:15 pm

Track 1 • Session 4

Embodying Indigenous Worldviews in Funding and Fundraising: A Systemic Approach

Coronado

Track 2 • Session 4

Building Economic Empowerment through Women-Led Conservation

Peralta

Track 3 • Session 4

Better Together, Never Alone: Defending Indigenous Territories in the Americas

Lamy

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9 • DAY 2

- 3:15 pm – 3:45 pm

Networking Break
Ballroom & Courtyard
- 3:45 pm – 5:00pm

Track 1 • Session 5

Investing in Indigenous Women’s Human Rights for Wellbeing and Empowerment

Coronado

Track 2 • Session 5

Indigenous Cultural Resurgence and Co-funding Partnerships

Peralta

Track 3 • Session 5

Pathways to Indigenous Self-Determination

Lamy
- 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

IFIP Reception
Courtyard

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10 • DAY 3

- 7:00 am – 8:30 am

Breakfast
Ballroom
- 7:00 am – 10:00 am

Registration Support
1st Floor
- 8:30 am – 9:45 am

Track 1 • Session 6

Skill-sharing on Grant-making

Coronado

Track 2 • Session 6

How Reconciling Indigenous and Western Sciences Can Shape Productive Solutions to Our Global Environmental Challenges

Peralta

Track 3 • Session 6

Empowering Canadian First Nations Through Technology: A Referrals Management Tool (RMT)

Lamy
- 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Closing Plenary
Supporting Indigenous Solutions and Partnerships for Long Term Change
Ballroom
- 11:00 am – 11:30 am

Closing Remarks
End of Conference
Ballroom
- 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Post-Conference Funders Retreat
Invitation Only
Ballroom

TRACK ONE

Expanding the Sphere of Funding: Shifting Roadblocks to Resourcing, Silos to Synergy

We invite proposals by funders and Indigenous partners who overcame roadblocks that prevented effective funding to Indigenous Peoples. This track provides an opportunity to both explicitly identify funding practices that created these barriers as well as case studies that share examples of how to influence and change these funding strategies and approaches. These case studies can look at changes that happened in a funding institution and explore ways to use these learnings to influence the broader funding sector. This can include sessions addressing how funders can move from funding silos to a more holistic approach, where funders understand issues such as climate change and territories, education, issues of women, well-being, and others as inherently related. This track provides an opportunity to both explicitly identify funding practices that create these barriers as well as case studies exploring how to influence and change these funding strategies and approaches more broadly and at a funding systems level.

TRACK TWO

Resilience and Revitalization of Indigenous Knowledge and Practice

This track will include sessions exploring how Indigenous knowledge and practices can provide an important framework for solutions to both local issues as well as many of the earth's systemic crises. Examples related to this track can include leveraging Indigenous knowledge to address climate resilience and adaptation, language revitalization, cultural revitalization and spirituality, such as knowledge around food systems, healing and health, and others at both the local and global level.

TRACK THREE

Potentializing and Supporting Indigenous Self Determination: Lessons and Opportunities

IFIP defines self-determined development as the ability of Indigenous communities to preserve, evolve and transform social, political, economic and cultural systems in line with their priorities. This track will address how to bolster self-determination by both looking at mediums and approaches. It will also provide an opportunity to share positive and negative outcomes of these efforts. The track will include sessions exploring important movements and issues that are central to the self-determination of Indigenous Peoples such as land and territory rights and protection, Indigenous women's rights, and political and economic leadership. Sessions will explore lessons around developing funding strategies in support of self-determination through avenues like impact investing, leadership development, policy and advocacy efforts and others.

Track 1 Session 1

Resisting Barriers and Equipping Sensible and Strategic Native-led Philanthropy

This session will review the history of philanthropy in Native communities followed by examining funding barriers and silos that hinder progress to effective and efficient funding in Native communities. It will conclude with panel members presenting courses of action towards development of innovative and sensible grant-making strategies that serve Native communities.

During this session participants will achieve a deep and constructive understanding about:

- 1) The history of giving in Native communities
- 2) Institutional effectiveness or in effectiveness for grant-making in Native communities,
- 3) Courses of action to achieve strategic giving in Native communities

Moderator: Jim Enote, Colorado Plateau Foundation

Speakers:

Sonja Swift, Swift Foundation

Lilian Hill, Hopi Tutskwa

Winona LaDuke, Honor the Earth

Track 1 Session 2

Transformative Strategies -Collaboration for Transformation and Reconciliation and the Power of Directed Networks

The session will start with advocacy expert Jason Mogus offering an overview of a new 21st century campaigning and funding framework proven to be in use by many of today's most effective social change initiatives and campaigns. Susan Smitten will elaborate on RAVEN's evolution to incorporate this new model, creating *Pull Together* which became the most successful grassroots fundraising campaign in the organization's history. Heiltsuk Chief Marilyn Slett will expand on the journey of collaboration and power building across multiple nations, that, when combined with a legal strategy ultimately led to the successful cancellation of the Enbridge tar sands pipeline. Chief Spahan will share his experiences collaborating with *Pull Together* and other nations on their legal challenge to the Kinder Morgan pipeline project. Each presenter brings a unique perspective on the wider campaign effort, and the session will explore the intersections between their stories in conversational format.

Moderator: Jason Mogus, NetChange Consulting

Speakers:

Susan Smitten, RAVEN

Chief Marilyn Slett, Heiltsuk Nation

Chief Lee Spahan, Coldwater Indian Band

Track 1 Session 3

Building Competency for Indigenous Values-and Rights-Based Grant-Making: Strategies, Challenges, and Insights

Cultural Survival is an Indigenous led advocacy-based organization supporting the rights of Indigenous Peoples. Becoming an intermediary grant-making organization emerged from Cultural Survival's experiences working directly with and in Indigenous communities. The organization's commitment to grant-making is an evolving learning process that is grounded in the principles of 1) Indigenous philanthropy; 2) self-determination; 3) community and cultural assets; and, 4) free, prior, and informed consent. What does this all mean for a global grant-maker situated external to the local community? What does this mean for the cultural and sustainable development of a community? What are the reciprocal relationships that need to be developed? What is Indigenous values based grant-making? What is the appropriate assessment we should be developing? Importantly, how do grant-makers need to change?

Moderator: Suzanne Benally, Cultural Survival

Speakers:

Avexnim Cojti, Cultural Survival

Alan Zulch, Tamalpais Trust

Track 1 Session 4

Embodying Indigenous Worldviews in Funding and Fundraising: A Systemic Approach

With the interlinked global crises we face, conventional ways of harnessing and distributing resources—including top-down grant-making and traditional fundraising centered around wealthy philanthropists—have not been effective in promoting structural change. Systemic, holistic approaches that reflect Indigenous world-views and cultural practices can shift power and resources, improve collective well-being, and restore the sacred connection among all living beings. Our panel of Indigenous grant-makers and community funders will share stories and examples of community philanthropy, transformational grant-making, grassroots networking, and other techniques that build relationships, leadership, and local resources and support community-led solutions to interconnected problems. Through group activities, participants will explore how they can incorporate a systems approach in their programs and help create the transformation that our societies urgently need.

Moderator: Angela Martinez

Speakers:

Mary Fifield, Global Fund for Community Foundations

Susan Jenkins, First Nations Development Institute

Sofia Arroyo, Former Executive Director of Sacred Fire Foundation

Track 1 Session 5

Investing in Indigenous Women's Human Rights for Well-Being and Empowerment

The Indigenous Women's Fund led by the International Indigenous Women's Forum is the first and only international fund guided by and for Indigenous women. The proposed session aims to share the impact when Indigenous women are the key actors in processes based on intercultural philanthropy. The intercultural vision implemented through AYNi is considered as a good practice and we would like to share the achievements, challenges and the learned lessons. The session will include also inspirational life testimonies of partners who are building movements at long term. Also, the session will be complemented through a powerful experience from Pawanka Fund, a fund that promotes cultural diversity, recognizing that each culture has dignity and value that must be respected and preserved. In this sense, the session would be an opportunity to learn about Indigenous women's leaderships in the front-line for the accomplishment of their human rights.

Moderator: Teresa Zapeta, Executive Director of FIMI

Speakers:

Myentthein Promila, Kapaeeng Foundation

Alice Lesepen, Merigo Women Group/African Indigenous Women Organization (AIWO)

Myrna Cunningham, FILAC/Pawanka Fund

Track 1 Session 6

Skill-sharing on Grant-Making

Our session will allow all participants -Indigenous Peoples, NGOs and foundations -to discuss innovative ways in which they are working to facilitate Indigenous Peoples' access to grants, recognizing unique challenges such as remote locales, lack of internet access, language, literacy, etc. What is needed and what capacity-building is being offered in regards to grant-seeking, proposal development and reporting? What alternative mechanisms are successfully being used -e.g. audio and video options, etc? How can we successfully address both the specific needs of Indigenous Peoples and the requirements of grant-makers? What other partnership models can we all envision?

Moderator: Leila Salazar-López, Amazon Watch

Speakers:

Avexnim Cojti, Cultural Survival

Tricia Stevens, LUSH

To be determined

Track 2 Session 1

World Building: Indigenous Futures

Today, with all the challenges facing Our Indigenous Communities, it is hard to create the space to have a conversation that creates a future infused with Indigenous Wisdom. Participants will take part in a game that can be utilized to facilitate these conversations. The tool used is a game called “The Thing from the Future” and was recently used to do a World Build to envision the Future of Alaska Native Communities. Come join this session and answer compelling questions like: “In an Indigenous Future there is a tool that has to do with health. What is it?”

Moderator: Amy Fredeen, Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc.
 Speakers:
 Renee Fredericks, Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc.
 Justina Meyer, Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc.

Track 2 Session 2

Strategies to Recover Territory and Strengthen Indigenous Governance for Self-Determination and Climate Resilience

Throughout the world, powerful processes of decolonization are underway as Indigenous Peoples work to recover their ancestral territories. But even when title and access to territories are secure, there remains the work of restoring structures and processes to govern and defend these territories—many of which have been lost or hidden due to violence, oppression, occupation, and displacement. Join us in a dialogue with Indigenous women leaders from Guatemala, the Philippines, and the United States, to shed light on this complex process, the challenges they face internally and externally, and where they find strength and hope. Participants will also share funding strategies that support Indigenous Peoples in governing their lands, waters, and natural resources and build resilience to climate change and other threats.

Moderator: Peter Kostishack, Global Greengrants Fund, Grassroots Climate Solutions Fund, and International Funders for Indigenous Peoples
 Speakers:
 Elodia Castillo Vásquez, Asociación Coordinadora de Asociaciones y Comunidades para el Desarrollo Integral de la Región Ch`orti`“COMUNDICH”
 Faith Spotted Eagle, Brave Heart Society
 Nena “Bae Rose” D. Undag, City Local Government of Cagayan de Oro

Track 2 Session 3

Rethinking Indigenous Autonomy from Indigenous Food Systems

The agro-industrial food system’s logic of expansion, extraction, and homogenization is dismantling Indigenous Peoples’ capacity to produce their own foods. This reduces their ability to organize, make decisions and rebuild their autonomy. For the philanthropic community, sustainability is a key impetus towards investment action. This session proposes rethinking philanthropic efforts from direct social movement building to rebuilding Indigenous campesino food systems. These systems have demonstrated throughout history their capacity to finance social movements. Supporting Indigenous campesino food systems can become an imminent channel for strengthening Indigenous people’s capacity to self-govern, organize and integrate youth, ultimately propelling long-term sustainability of Indigenous autonomy.

Moderator: Sonja Swift, Windrose Fund
 Speakers:
 Alvaro Mena Fuentes, Ka’ Kuxtal Much Meyaj
 Nora Tzec, Ka’ KuxtalMuch Meyaj
 Rose Cohen, Community Agroecology Network
 Carmen Cortez, Community Agroecology Network

Track 2 Session 4

Building Economic Empowerment through Women-Led Conservation

Founded in 2004 by Mbuti Pygmies in the Democratic Republic of Congo, DIPY works through direct grassroots actions as well as local, national and international advocacy efforts for the well-being of Pygmies and the conservation the Congo basin. Co-moderated by Kai Carter of the Packard Foundation and Susan Gibbs from Wallace Global Fund, DIPY founder Sinafasi Makelo and Land is Life Regional Coordinator for Sub-Saharan Africa, Jemimah Kerenge, will discuss the importance of Indigenous women-led initiatives and their experience working at the grassroots to improve livelihoods while conserving traditional lands and territories. The panel will present and review the findings of a recent 6-month study that analyzed the potential of women-led cooperatives throughout DRC.

Speakers:
 Kai Carter, David and Lucille Packard Foundation
 Adrien Sinafasi Makelo, Dignité Pygmée (DIPY)
 Ibula Bolondo Brunelle, Dignité Pygmée (DIPY)
 Susan Gibbs, Wallace Global Fund

Track 2 Session 5

Indigenous Cultural Resurgence and Co-Funding Partnerships

The identity of all Indigenous communities is rooted in their ancestral wisdom. Without it, their cultural and spiritual practices, their relationship to land and their world view is broken and in need of mending. Join us in a storytelling session about two people from small funding organizations that have focused their work on revitalizing Indigenous knowledge and hear about their journey towards collaboration. Hear from a mutual partner from the local Laguna Pueblo, including a Native youth voice, about how this joint funding initiative has impacted their work, vision, and leadership. Participants will learn about the importance of long-term reciprocal partnerships and joint funding models, both its challenges and successes. This session will also explore types of giving that extend beyond financial contributions to truly enter into a deep kinship where “all are related.”

Speakers:
 Melissa Nelson, The Cultural Conservancy
 Sofia Arroyo, Former Executive Director Sacred Fire Foundation
 Shelly Valdez, Yakanal
 Kyle Shpeyiah Swimmer, Yakanal

Track 2 Session 6

How Reconciling Indigenous and Western Sciences Can Shape Productive Solutions to Our Global Environmental Challenges

Join us in an interactive dialogue to explore how Indigenous Peoples and allies can help meet the challenges of climate change and related environmental challenges by contributing to an innovative multi-faceted Native Science initiative. Members of IFIP are collaborating on the creation of a library of Indigenous knowledge using Native cultural arts to communicate “how we are related to all creation.” To bring Native science into the mainstream we must have a place to study it within its own worldview and context. What challenges and opportunities do we face? How can they be transformed and leveraged? Contribute to this conversation as we: 1) outline a project that is innovative and relevant; 2) share deep questions that we’d like feedback on to move the project and the issues forward; and 3) invite IFIP attendees to contribute intellectually and programmatically to an exciting initiative that over time will touch all corners of North America.

Speakers:
 Rose Imai, The Native American Academy
 Melissa Nelson, The Cultural Conservancy/SFSU
 David Secord, Barnacle Strategies

Track 3 Session 1

Mana Motuhake: Self-Determination and Autonomy Within a Non-Indigenous Philanthropic Organization. An Aotearoa New Zealand Perspective.

Being an Indigenous leader within a non-Indigenous philanthropic organization presents a number of significant opportunities for achieving Indigenous aspirations. But equally, it can also be challenging, having to frequently rebuild the capacity, capabilities and understanding of non-Indigenous philanthropic organizations in an environment of constant evolving and changing Boards and staff who are not Indigenous. This session will explore some of the challenges that Indigenous leaders face in non-Indigenous philanthropic organizations while retaining Indigenous values, systems and processes. The session will also look at how non-Indigenous leaders are also championing the need for philanthropic organizations to be proactive in meeting the complex and diverse needs of Indigenous Peoples. Our session intends to re-ignite the conversation around Indigenous philanthropy, but in particular, why Indigenous philanthropy within the context of non-Indigenous organizations is a discipline and art form in and of itself, and requires a different understanding and approach by non-Indigenous led philanthropic organizations.

Moderator: Manaia King, JR McKenzie Trust
Speaker: Dr. Chelsea Grootveld, JR McKenzie Trust

Track 3 Session 2

Engaging Indigenous LGBTQ Youth and Generating a National Dialogue in the Philippines

In most Indigenous communities in the Philippines, men dominate decision-making, traditional rituals, and community affairs and look down on LGBTQ peoples. While LGBTQ issues are gaining acceptance, the older generation continue to discriminate. Very few Indigenous-rights organizations focus on LGBTQ issues due to the urgent priority of protecting land rights. Securing financial and human resources for LGBTQ rights work is difficult. This session will give members of Innabuyog, BIA and the Cordillera Peoples Alliance, leading Indigenous organizations dedicated to LGBTQ rights in the Philippines, to discuss a new initiative that will improve their grassroots operations and systems while elevating LGBTQ issues and activists into the broader Indigenous-rights movement through research, training workshops, knowledge exchanges and regional and national dialogue. Their goal is to train and empower the next generation of Indigenous LGBTQ leaders and generate a national conversation about discrimination and rights. Moderated by Lush Charity Pot and Land is Life, the panel hopes to generate broader ideas about how to build off this work and apply it to Indigenous-rights and LGBTQ efforts globally.

Moderator:
Bestang Dekdeken, Land is Life/CPA
Tricia Stevens, Lush Fresh Cosmetics
Virginia Dammay, Innabuyog

Track 3 Session 3

Midwifery and Indigenous Self Determination: Transforming Discourse and Action in Latin America

Indigenous midwifery in the Americas is experiencing a rebirth, in line with renewed international recognition (WHO, UNFPA, ICM, CEDAW) of the importance of midwifery to ensuring quality reproductive, sexual and maternal health once MDG 5 was not met in 2015, with markedly slower progress in Indigenous contexts. Discourse and action is shifting from the patriarchal interventions of obligatory trainings and clean birth kits, to using legal tools to ensure midwives' right to practice, women's right to birth choices, and litigation against obstetric violence. This panel explores trends and actions to strengthen midwifery in Mexico and the United States today.

Moderator: Lina Berrío, Kinal Antsetik and CIESAS
Speakers:
Sharon Bissell, MacArthur Foundation
Elsa Guadalupe Conde Rodríguez, National Human Rights Commission
Nicolle L. Gonzales, CNM, Executive Director/Founder, Changing Woman Initiative
Ofelia Pérez, Formación y Capacitación

Track 3 Session 4

Better Together, Never Alone: Defending Indigenous Territories in the Americas

Inter-tribal coalition building has become an important mechanism for Indigenous Peoples to defend and reclaim their rights to ancestral territories on land and in the sea. This panel will explore recent examples of the practicality and challenges of large scale coalitions. Tribal Leaders from Alaska, the Southwest, and the Amazon will provide insight into recent examples from the establishment of the Northern Bering Sea Climate Resilience Area, Bears Ears National Monument, and various efforts in the Amazon on how they have managed to build and maintain solidarity despite major setbacks.

Moderator: Natalie Landreth, Native American Rights Fund
Speakers:
Anne Henshaw, Oak Foundation
Pat Gonzales-Rogers, Bears Ears Inter-Tribal Coalition
Fred Phillip, Kwigillingok Tribal Council, Bering Sea Elders Group

Track 3 Session 5

Pathways to Indigenous Self-Determination

Three exciting ways of potentializing Aboriginal-community controlled organizations will be presented by two current Aboriginal leaders and a trail-blazing funder. Cages Foundation is a family-based philanthropy supporting community led initiatives ensuring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children reach their full potential. Woor-Dungin's purpose is to increase resources, build strong, respectful partnerships and share knowledge with its member Aboriginal organizations. Towards a Just Society exclusively funds Aboriginal peoples in Victoria. Based on a belief in Aboriginal agency, this fund is now being handed over to an Aboriginal Communities-Led Board. Learn how the principle of self-determination informs all their endeavors and is making a significant impact in the Australian context.

Moderator: Sherree Chaudhry, Woor-Dungin Co-Vice Chairperson
Speakers:
Rachel Kerry, Cages Foundation
Simone Spencer, Woor-Dungin
Peter Aldenhoven, ACLPF

Track 3 Session 6

Empowering Canadian First Nations Through Technology: A Referrals Management Tool (RMT)

The capacity for First Nations to understand and document how their Indigenous and treaty rights would be infringed by a proposed development is limited. A quest was made by the Saulteau First Nation in 2014 to address this problem, and in response a pilot project was developed by researchers at the University of British Columbia, with support from Mitacs, Mitsubishi Corp. Foundation for the Americas, and other funders, to develop an online tool to enable First Nations to document and protect their economic, social, and cultural interests in the context of responding to resource development "referrals" under Canadian law. The tool was designed following an extensive community stakeholder engagement process to ensure it meets the needs of the communities it is intended to benefit. The RMT is being made available on an open source platform to First Nations all across Canada.

Moderator: Tracy Austin, Mitsubishi Corporation
Speakers:
Duncan W. Phillips, Strategic Markets, Mitacs
Aaron Derrickson, Westbank First Nation community within the Okanagan-Syilx Nation
Jo Corbett, University of British Columbia Okanagan

Peter Aldenhoven

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Suzanne Benally

Suzanne came to Cultural Survival from Naropa University in Boulder, Colorado, where she served as the associate provost for institutional planning and assessment and associate vice president for academic affairs. She was also a core faculty member in environmental studies and a member of the president's cabinet. Before starting at Naropa in 1999, she was deputy director and director of education programs at the American Indian Science and Engineering Society and director of the Institute on Ethnic Diversity at the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education. She has been a teacher at the university level and has served as a consultant to philanthropic foundations, nonprofit organizations, and many higher education institutions. Additionally, she has worked extensively with American Indian communities. Her interests, teaching, and passions are focused on the relationship between land, spirituality, and people as reflected in stories, and in environmental issues and Indigenous rights.

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Tracy Austin

Tracy L. Austin was born on May 14, 1956 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and grew up in Freeport, New York. She earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in French from the University of Pennsylvania in 1977; a Master of Professional Studies Degree in Afro-American and African Studies from Cornell University's African Studies and Research Center in 1982; and a J.D. degree from Columbia Law School in 1984.

She joined Mitsubishi International Corporation as in-house counsel in 1987 and currently serves as General Manager of Corporate Communications and Sustainability for Mitsubishi Corporation (Americas), a holding company for Mitsubishi Corporation Group companies in North America, and Executive Director of the Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas, a long-time IFIP member which supports environmental causes throughout the Americas.

She currently serves on the Strategic Advisory Council of Nature Serve, and on the board of directors of The Gloster Project. She is also a member of Per Ankh, a book publishing cooperative based in Popenguine, Senegal, led by the Ghanaian author, Ayi Kwei Armah. Ms. Austin lives in Harlem and is an avid lover of Swing Dance and West African folkloric dance. She speaks French and is conversant in Spanish and Japanese.

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Sharon Bissel

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Prior to joining the Foundation, Kai managed the implementation and assessment of a portfolio clean energy and safe water projects in Africa and Asia for Impact Carbon. Previously, she served as an analyst for the U.S. Government Accountability Office in Washington DC, where she conducted reviews of federal programs and multilateral organizations related to international affairs, foreign aid, social assistance, and natural resources.

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A graduate of the Maarni Aboriginal Woman's Leadership and Mentoring Program, Sherree has strong employment and governance skills. She draws on these and the partnerships she has developed with Woor-Dungin staff, members and Aboriginal organizations to contribute to Winda-Mara and her community.

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All aspects of Jon's research include a core community element; this means that the research is of tangible benefit for the communities with whom he works and that those communities feel a strong sense of ownership over the research process and outcomes. Jon is a key developer of Geolive, a web-based participatory mapping tool developed by a team of programmers, undergraduate and graduate students in the SpiCE Lab. He has worked with Indigenous communities in Australia, Indonesia, the Philippines and, since 2003, with a number of First Nations and Métis communities in Canada.

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As a consultant with over 16 years of experience in facilitation and public speaking, Aaron has served the Syilx nation in educational endeavors by contributing meaningful programming and workshops.

He currently has two University degrees from UBC-Okanagan, a Bachelor of Arts, with a history major and a French minor, and a Bachelor of Education in French.

Aaron is currently pursuing his Ph.D at UBC Okanagan in Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies, where he is employed in multiple research positions. His research entails Leadership and Governance from a Syilx perspective, based on Ceptiklw (oral legends). He believes that by living out the principles found in oral traditions, the Syilx can revitalize their communities.

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Most recently, Ms. Fredeen helped form a partnership with E-Line Media, an industry leader in educational games. E-Line and CEI co-created Never Alone, the first video game made with an Indigenous community. Beyond her role with CITC, Ms. Fredeen serves on the Board of Cook Inlet Native Head Start.

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In 2017, Chelsea was appointed to the Board of JR McKenzie Trust. She is also a member of Te Kāwai Toro, the Māori Development and Connecting Education and Communication (CEC) sub-committees of the Trust. Prior to coming onto the Board, Chelsea worked alongside Te Kāwai Toro for many years, helping to develop its strategy and evaluation framework.

Chelsea is excited by the intersect between Indigenous knowledge and philanthropy, and the potential to jointly create innovative solutions to address both current and future challenges. Chelsea is proud mother to Kahuroa (18-years old) and Mihi-Terina (11-yearsold) and wife to Timoti.

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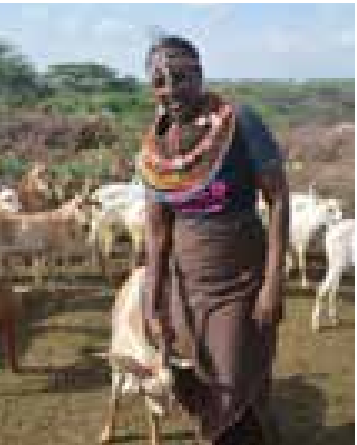
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She has been trained in Indigenous Women's rights and has acquired more skills on international legal instruments related to Indigenous Peoples and women's rights and recently new knowledge in other issues related to gender.

She strongly believes that Indigenous women and girls empowerment is important for sustainable development. This can according to her can only succeed if women and girls know their rights and their capacity including her on issues related to human rights enhanced. Coming from a very traditional setting, she believes that working with youth and men in the community can bring a difference in eliminating some of the negative cultures that slow the development of Indigenous communities.

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She is an Indigenous Maya K'iche woman, originally from Guatemala and has worked as a government official, in the position of Defender of Indigenous Women. She, also, was responsible for the Indigenous Women Program of the Central America Region in UN WOMEN. Teresa has been linked to the struggle of Indigenous women for more than 15 years with vision and conviction.

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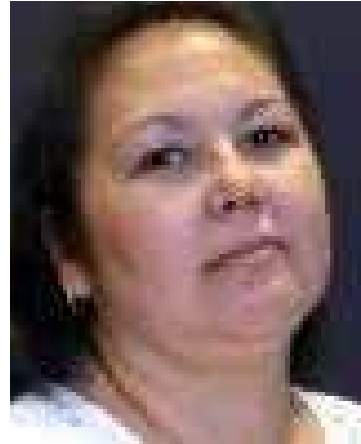
Justina Meyer

Justina Meyer has been serving the Alaska Native community for over 20 years. Over the years Justina has lent her wisdom to helping coordinate work that connected Tribes with the companies that serve Our People. As part of her current role she is the cultural liaison for the extension of the award winning Never Alone video game into it's next iteration as a movie/TV series.

Justina is of Yu'pik and Chippawa descent and the mother of 3 adult children and along with her husband of 25 years, fostered then adopted a beautiful now 10 year old girl. She is also a grandmother of two. She earned an Associates Degree in Small Business Administration from the University of Alaska in 2015 and will soon pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration.

Growing up in Anchorage, Alaska Justina has witnessed the changes brought into the community. Now she helps facilitate conversations about bringing Indigenous wisdom into the future of our communities.

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Fred is the former Executive Director of the Bering Sea Elders Group and has been an integral part of the organization since its creation a decade ago. He has now transitioned from staff to being a Board Member of Bering Sea Elders Group. Fred has been active in the Yukon-Kuskokwim region for years. He is currently the President of his Tribe and serves on the KYUK Board of Directors. He is also the Co-Chair of the CQN Working Group. Fred was a founding board member of Coastal Villages Region Fund and a former director for an ANSCA regional corporation. He is a former fisherman with over 20 years of experience on the waters of Bristol Bay. Fred was critical to securing the Executive Order protecting the Bering Sea issued by President Obama on December 9, 2016.



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During his early years at Mitacs, he initiated a number of projects partnering with First Nations in BC, but believed that the existing programs did not serve those communities well. He also serves as the Vice-President of the not-for-profit Canadian Satellite Design Challenge Management Society, is a member of the Circle on Philanthropy and Aboriginal Peoples, and an Arctic Inspiration Prize Ambassador.

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Nora Tzec

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ABOUT IFIP

International Funders for Indigenous Peoples (IFIP) is the only global donor affinity group dedicated to Indigenous Peoples worldwide.

IFIP’s Mission: Our Mission is to foster Indigenous solutions and partnerships among Indigenous Peoples and funders around the globe.

IFIP’s Vision: International Funders for Indigenous Peoples seeks to transform the relationship between the funding world and Indigenous Peoples to one of mutual understanding and benefit. It recognizes the urgent need for solutions that are led and understood by Indigenous Peoples not only to improve lives in Indigenous communities, but also as a resource for solving social, economic and environmental challenges around the world for everyone.

Strategic Goal: IFIP aims to expand the sphere of funders and collaborative action among funders and Indigenous Peoples to support and advance issues of importance to Indigenous Peoples.

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- International Funders for Indigenous Peoples and its members work to:
- Increase the knowledge and understanding of the unique issues related to funding Indigenous Peoples by providing a baseline of relevant information.
 - Encourage innovation and increase effectiveness within the grantmaking community by facilitating networking opportunities and an exchange of ideas and practical tools.
 - Foster a cross-disciplinary understanding of Indigenous People and the holistic contexts in which they live and work.

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Membership Dues (Dues are based on Total Annual Budget—Operation and Grant-making)	TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET	1-YEAR DUES	2 - YEAR DUES	3-YEAR DUES
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	U.S. \$500,000 - U.S. \$700,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$750	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,350	<input type="checkbox"/> \$2,025
	U.S. \$700,000 - U.S. \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$2,250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$3,375
	U.S. \$1,000,000 - U.S. \$3,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$2,500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$4,500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$6,750
	U.S. \$3,000,000 - U.S. \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$9,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$13,500
	U.S. \$5,000,000 - U.S. \$25,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$7,500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$13,500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20,250
	U.S. \$25,000,000 - U.S. \$125,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$18,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$27,000
	U.S. \$125,000,000 - U.S. \$175,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$12,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$22,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$33,750
	OVER U.S. \$175,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$27,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40,5000

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AFFILIATE LEVEL APPLICATION

Full Name of Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Cell: _____ Email: _____

Website: _____ Year Founded: _____

Yearly Assets: _____ Yearly Grant Level: _____ % of Funds to Indigenous: _____

Website: _____ Year Founded: _____

AREA(S) OF INTERNATIONAL FOCUS

What is the focus of your support or work with Indigenous communities? _____

What regions or countries do you work in? _____

What do you most want to get out of being an affiliate of IFIP? _____

What do you hope to contribute to the IFIP network and how is your mission in line with ours? _____

How did you learn about IFIP? _____

AFFILIATE OPPORTUNITIES

(In lieu of membership, for those organizations that do not qualify for membership but wish to support IFIP’s vision, or as a voluntary top-up for members.)

Affiliate Levels	Family	Alliance	Friend	Pledge
Donation Amount	\$7501 or More	\$2,501 - \$7,500	\$1,001 - \$2,500	\$250 - \$1,000
Conference or Regional Meeting Reductions	15%	10%	5%	N/A
Listing on Our Website	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Receive Monthly E-Newsletter and Members Listserve	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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