

POSITION NCN AS A LEADER >>>>

 Featured in the Northwest Area Foundation Annual Report for our Native Financial Inclusion Initiative in Montana



- Organized site visit in South Dakota for Annie Donovan, Director of the CDFI Fund
- Assisted the CDFI Fund in disseminating their Access to Capital and Credit in Native Communities
- Partnered with OFN in their #cdfisinvest social media campaign
- Partnered with National Jump \$tart during Financial Literacy Month
- ▶ Engaged in social and traditional media around Piikani Money Awareness Campaign, including radio show appearance by Tanya Fiddler in Browning, Montana
- > Enhanced our social media presence





SUPPORT AND SUSTAIN NCN MEMBERS >>>>

Increased membership by 19%

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- Revamped the NCN website to provide more resources to NCN members
- Revised the Annual NCN Member Survey and created a companion toolkit for how to use the data for reporting, fundraising and more
- Launched new NCN Leadership Program with 7 NCN Members who received \$5,000 mini grants



Supported Oweesta's new Capital
Access Pool

ENHANCE EDUCATION & PEER NETWORKING >>>>

- Convened the first NCN Regional Community Development Forum in Deadwood, South Dakota sponsored by Citi Community Development
- Provided tailored technical assistance to five NCN Members through the new Capacity Building System

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WEBINARS BY NCN STAFF

- > CDFI Fund TA and FA Applications for 2017
- > Small Business Financing through CDFIs
- No DAPL and its Implications for Cross—Sector Advocacy
- → Making the Most of August Recess Site Visits
- Data & Impact that Raise the Visibility of Native CDFIs
- Native CDFI Advocacy Tips and Tools

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CONFERENCES ATTENDED BY NCN STAFF

- > CDFI Coalition Institute in Washington, DC
- US Department of the Treasury Native Access to Capital Roundtable, Washington, DC
- Montana Financial Education Coalition Meeting in Helena, MT
- > Oweesta Access to Capital Convening in Seattle,
- Great Plains Tribal Leaders Summit in Rapid City,
- Northwest Area Foundation Financial Inclusion Grantee Meeting in St. Paul, MN
- Oweesta Annual Native Gathering in Washington, DC
- Opportunity Finance Network Conference in Washington, DC

ADVOCATE FOR INCREASED ACCESS TO CAPITAL >>>>

- Provided comment letter on the CDFI Fund application process
- Participated in the Persistent Poverty Working Group
- Supported the drafting of two letters in Congress in support of the CDFI Fund Native Initiatives, one bi-partisan and one tri-partisan that led to widespread support of this program for FY 2018
- Organized one Capitol Hill Native Access to Capital briefing and over 50 meetings with Members of Congress and agency staff

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- Successfully completed the Northwest Area Foundation Native Financial Inclusion Initiative
- Supported the passage of a Native Collateral Support Program
- > Created the Native American Committee of the Montana Financial Education Coalition
- Developed the Native Financial Inclusion Toolkit to help NCN members engage in state and tribal advocacy



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