



Native American Housing

Duty to Serve
Listening Session

Homeownership Coalitions

COME JOIN THE CIRCLE

Montana is home to thousands of tribal citizens from several tribal nations living both on and off the reservation areas, with inequitable access to adequate housing stock and Native homeownership opportunities. A steering committee made up of diverse stakeholders is guiding data gathering and planning efforts to form a statewide coalition to increase the flow of mortgage financing to Native Americans across the state and from the eight tribes in Montana. Together, we circle the entire state.

WE REACH OUT TO YOU

We reach out to you and invite you to join the circle. The Montana Native Homeownership Steering Committee will release the official report of our findings on December 1st from 10:00-11:30 am MST. We will share how we plan to build on this work to support more homeownership opportunities for Native people.

We invite you to hear our heartbeat, reach out hand in hand, and join the dance.



Training, Technical Assistance and Peer Support

Training, technical assistance and peer learning for tribal partners is key to developing homeownership programs.

Enhancing and Implementing Homeownership Programs in Native Communities Curriculum

- Explores the components of homeownership to determine assets in place, identify gaps, and outline concrete next steps.
- Covers nuts and bolts of homeownership, including needs assessments, homebuyer readiness programming, available mortgage products and subsidies, land processes, community planning, home design and construction, and enhancing affordability.
- 3 day in person training or 12 weeks virtually

Native Homeownership Learning Communities Cohort

- Engaging TDHEs, Tribes, Native CDFIs and THAs to learn and support each other.
- Participants received grant funding, training and technical assistance covering topics such as land lease processes, mortgage financing and ordinances, community planning, homebuyer readiness and design and construction.



Building a Workforce for a Stronger Construction Industry

SOUTH DAKOTA Native Homeownership Coalition

CONSTRUCTION INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

2020 Program Report

SUMMER 2022 CONSTRUCTION INTERNSHIP
Now accepting applications for internship opportunities at Sisseton!

CONSTRUCTION INTERNSHIP
Program Report Summer 2018

CONSTRUCTION INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

2017-2019 Retrospective Report

PROGRAM GUIDELINES & REQUIREMENTS
Applicants must meet the following requirements to be eligible for the construction internship program:
 - Have reliable transportation to work site
 - Have a bank account (or be willing to open one)
 - Able to attend bi-weekly financial education classes
 College or vocational program students and individuals with experience in electrical, carpentry, plumbing, concrete, or other construction will receive priority for internship placements.

Get in touch with us to apply or learn more! Contact Simon Kaulike with Sisseton-Wahpeton Housing Authority at 605-698-3901 ext. 25, or skeeb@wahpetonhousing.com.

This report is a follow-up to the comprehensive report prepared for the 2017 construction internship pilot program. Please see the 2017 report for additional details.

The Construction Internship Program from the Physical Issues Committee of the SDNHOC.

Inspector Training/Certifications

A reason sub standard living conditions continue is the lack of properly built houses due to lack of existing residential building codes and enforcement of said codes.

- SD Coalition held it's first training and testing for building codes in 2016
- Code adoption ensures sovereignty
- ICC partnership to help with guidance on code pursuance
- Sisseton Wahpeton Housing Authority adopts building codes for their specialty trades 2020

Inspector Training/Certifications

Design Innovative Inspector Certification Training and Encourage Adoption of Building Codes

- Challenge
 - Lack of qualified building inspectors and the existing hurdles to getting certified inspectors.
- Key strategy
 - ICC Certification in the IRC
- Roadmap
 - Partnering with other organizations to begin the certification process.
 - Developing hands on inspector training component
 - Encourage Tribes to adopt, implement and enforce building codes.

Increase the Number of Appraisers Qualified to Conduct Appraisals on Trust Land

- Challenge
 - Shortage of qualified appraisers on Trust Land
- Key strategy
 - Brainstorming session with industry experts
- Roadmap
 - Provide training on the cost approach