

Tribal Youth Diversion Grant Frequently Asked Questions

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1. How much funding is allocated in the Tribal Youth Diversion Grant?

The Budget Act has allocated three percent, or \$1,119,000, of the \$37,300,000 Youth Reinvestment Grant for Indian tribes for the purpose of implementing diversion programs for Indian children that use trauma-informed, community-based and health-based interventions. If you have questions about the Youth Reinvestment Grant, please [click here](#).

Reference Welf. & Inst. Code, § 1453, subd. (a) and the 2018 Budget Act (Senate Bill 840, Chapter 29)

2. Who is eligible to apply for the Tribal Youth Diversion Grant?

All federally recognized Indian tribes in California are eligible to apply.

3. Are there priority funding areas for the Tribal Youth Diversion Grant funds?

Funding priority must be given to diversion programs that address the needs of Indian children who experience the following: high rates of juvenile arrests, high rates of suicide, high rates of alcohol and substance abuse, and average high school graduation rates that are lower than 75 percent.

Reference Welf. & Inst. Code, § 1453, subd. (b)

4. How do I apply for the Tribal Youth Diversion Grant?

If you are a federally recognized Indian tribe in California and interested in applying for funding, you may access the Request for Proposal (RFP) on the BSCC website, www.bscc.ca.gov.

5. I am not a federally recognized Indian tribe in California, can I still participate in the Tribal Youth Diversion Grant?

Only federally recognized Indian tribes in California are eligible to apply. However, service providers are not required to be part of a federally recognized Indian tribe in order to

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contract with a federally recognized tribe to provide services. You may want to explore opportunities to collaborate with an eligible applicant.

6. I am applying for the Tribal Youth Diversion Grant, how much funding can I request?

There is no minimum amount that applicants may request and they may request up to the total available funding of \$1,119,000. Applicants are encouraged to request only the amount of funds needed to support their proposal.

7. Is there a match requirement for the Tribal Youth Diversion Grant?

No. The Tribal Youth Diversion Grant does not have a match requirement.

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1. Do the Indian children served under this grant have to be on a reservation?

No. Tribal Youth Diversion Grant funds are intended to provide diversion services to Indian children. There is no requirement related to where those Indian children reside.

2. Can tribes outside of CA be supported by including them within a regional application?

No. Tribal Youth Diversion Grant funds are intended to serve Indian children in California and the funds can only be awarded to federally recognized tribes in California.

3. If a tribe that has four bands submits an application, would that be a regional application?

No. Eligible applicants for Tribal Youth Diversion Grant funds are tribes; individual bands are not in and of themselves eligible applicants. A regional application has to

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include at least two tribes that are listed in Appendix A of the Request for Proposals as federally recognized tribes in California.

4. Can an NGO apply for these funds?

No. Only federally recognized tribes in California are eligible to apply for Tribal Youth Diversion Grant funds.