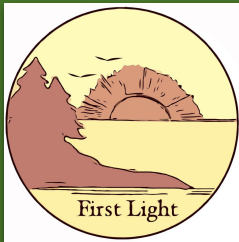


Federal Funding Available to Tribal Governments and Entities in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

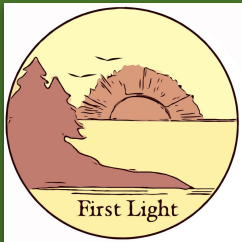
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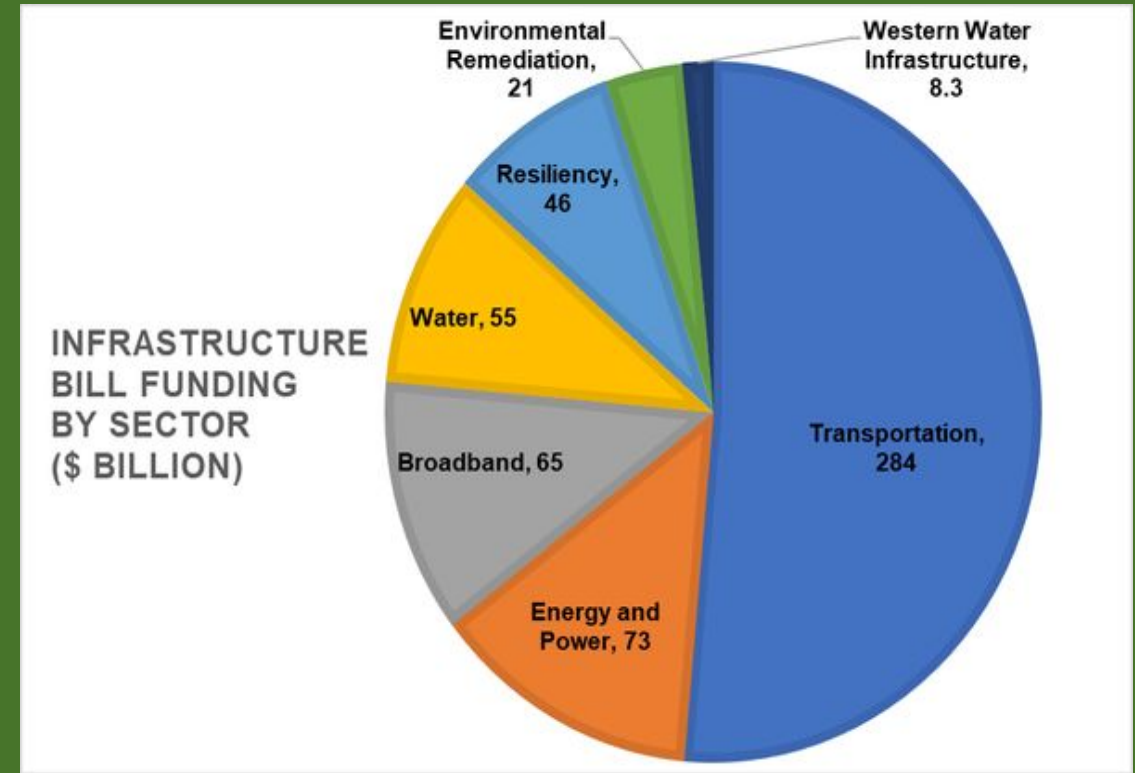
Background on the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

- Passed in November 2021
- Also referred to as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)
- \$1.2 trillion, with \$550 billion in new funding
 - Distributed over five years, 2022-2026
- Invests more than \$15 billion directly in Tribal Governments and Entities across the country

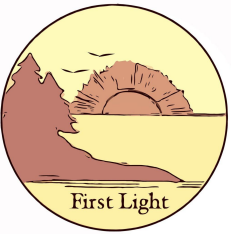


Breakdown of Funding

- The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law includes:
 - more than **\$15 billion** in tribal specific funding measures and
 - An additional **\$146.3 billion** in competitive grant and cooperative agreement funding for which Tribal Nations and Tribal organizations are eligible to receive.
- These transformational investments span several traditional infrastructure sectors including:
 - Transportation
 - Water
 - Resilience
 - Energy
 - Environment
 - Broadband



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How we organized the programs

- ***For Tribes Only Programs:*** Only Tribal governments and entities are eligible to apply for and receive this funding (FTO)
- ***Set Aside Programs:*** A certain percentage / portion of funding for this program must be allocated to Tribal governments and entities (SET)
- ***Competitive Programs:*** Tribal entities are eligible to apply for and receive this funding alongside other entities such as states (COM)



Funding by Categories



Resilience



Broadband



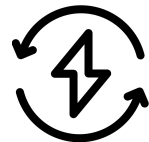
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Public Transportation



Roads, Bridges, & Major Projects



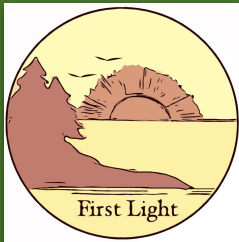
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Water



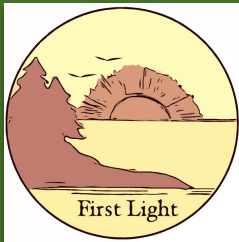
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Resilience



The bill is the largest investment in the resilience of physical and natural systems in American history. This includes substantial investments in programs for which Tribal Entities and governments.



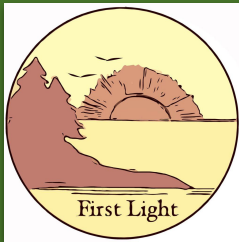
BIA Tribal Climate Resilience- Adaptation

- **Description:** Tribal Climate Adaptation programs provides support for climate resilient planning to help sustain Tribal ecosystems and natural and cultural resources, economies, infrastructure, human health, and safety.
- **Eligible uses:** Trainings and workshops, vulnerability and risk assessments, supplementary monitoring for climate-related decision making, scoping efforts, adaptation, planning, travel support, relocation, managed retreat, or protect in place planning, and internships.

Agency: Department of the Interior	Bureau: Indian Affairs
Amount: \$86 million	Funding mechanism: Annual Awards Program - Grants
Recipients: Federally recognized tribal governments	New Program?: No



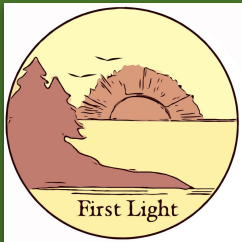
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BIA Tribal Climate Resilience - “Community Relocation”

New

- **Amount:** \$130 million
- **Description:** Implementation of “Community Relocation”, “Managed Retreat”, or “Protect-in-Place” Actions to increase climate resilience.
- **Eligible uses:** Funds are designed to support tribes facing questions and decisions regarding managed retreat, expansion, protect-in-place, and relocation options due to threats from intensifying coastal or riverine erosion, flooding and permafrost degradation impacts, sea level rise, and other impacts. Assessment, monitoring, planning, design, and implementation (of actions identified in existing planning documents or with appropriate baseline data) are allowable.



Categories

- 1: Trainings and Workshops
- 2: Adaptation Planning
- 3: Travel support for adaptation planning
- 4: Ocean and coastal management planning
- 5: Travel support for ocean and coastal management
- 6: Capacity Building for adaptation planning



Categories

7: Relocation, “Managed Retreat”

8: Internships

9: Youth engagement

10: Implementation of climate adaptation strategies

- Maximum \$2 million

11: Implementation of “Community Relocation”, “Managed Retreat”, or “Protect-in-Place” Actions

- Maximum \$3 million

12: Relocation, “Managed Retreat”, or “Protect-in-Place” (RMP)

Coordinator

- Maximum \$300,000



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BIA Tribal Climate Resilience - Examples

- Mi'kmaq Nation - 2015, 2016, 2019, 2020
 - Travel support for adaptation planning
- Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians - 2016, 2019, 2020
 - Travel support for ocean and coastal management, Travel support for adaptation planning
- Passamaquoddy Tribe at Pleasant Point - 2015
 - Training and workshops- “Connecting 5 Wabanaki Tribes in a Climate Adaptation Learning Process”
- Range of grant size: \$10,000-\$300,000



Next steps and key resources

- **\$43.2 million** this year
- BIA Spend Plan:
https://www.bia.gov/sites/bia.gov/files/assets/as-ia/opa/pdf/Indian%20Affairs%20BIL%20Spend%20Plan_FINAL.pdf
- Request for Proposals:
<https://www.bia.gov/bia/ots/annual-awards-program>
- An informational webinar will be hosted by the Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP) Tribes and Climate Change Program on the funding opportunity, Monday, April 25th at 3:30 – 5 pm EST.
 - Register here: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1540500874348907791>
- TCR will host a Grant-writing Webinar to build Tribal technical capacity on Wednesday, April 27th at 3:30 - 5 pm EST.



Ecosystem Restoration

- **Description:** To restore the ecological health of federal and private lands and waters,strengthen partnerships across State, Tribal, and other partners in restoring important ecosystems and watersheds, supporting Tribal climate resilience, and restoring culturally important lands.
- **Eligible uses:** \$400 million shall be for grants to states, territories and Tribes for implementing voluntary ecosystem restoration projects on public or private land.

Agency: Department of the Interior and Forest Service	Office: Office of the Secretary and Secretary of Agriculture
Amount: \$2.13 billion	Funding mechanism: Grants
Recipients: Indian Tribes, States, and territories of the U.S.	New Program?: No



Ecosystem Restoration & America the Beautiful Challenge

- Through the America the Beautiful Challenge, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) will leverage initial Federal commitments from the Department of the Interior (DOI), Department of Agriculture (USDA), and the Department of Defense (DOD) to raise additional philanthropic and private support, with the goal of directing at least \$1 billion in grants to communities over the next five years to support the America the Beautiful Initiative.
 - Conserving and restoring rivers, coasts, wetlands, and watersheds
 - Conserving and restoring forests, grasslands, and other important ecosystems that serve as carbon sinks
 - Connecting and reconnecting wildlife corridors, large landscapes, watersheds, and seascapes
 - Improving ecosystem and community resilience to coastal flooding, drought, and other climate-related threats
 - Expanding access to the outdoors, particularly in underserved communities



Next Steps and Key Resources

- DOI and the US Fish and Wildlife Service are currently in discussions with the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, who will be administering the State and Tribe Voluntary Ecosystem Restoration activity created by the BIL..
- Additional information will be available when the Request for Proposals is issued in early May.

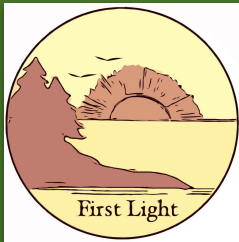
Resources:

- America the Beautiful Challenge:
<https://www.whitehouse.gov/ceq/news-updates/2022/04/11/biden-harris-administration-launches-1-billion-america-the-beautiful-challenge-to-support-and-accelerate-locally-led-conservation-and-restoration-projects/>
- US DOI Ecosystem Restoration:
<https://www.doi.gov/priorities/investing-americas-infrastructure/ecosystem-restoration>
- US Forest Service Forestry Provisions:
<https://nafsr.org/docs/2021/Infrastructure%20Bill%20Summary%20-%20111121.pdf>



Other Resilience Programs of Interest

Program Name	Amount	Funding Type
<u>BIA Tribal Climate Resilience - Adaptation</u>	<u>\$86 million</u>	<u>FTO</u>
<u>BIA Tribal Climate Resilience- Community Relocation</u>	<u>\$130 million</u>	<u>FTO</u>
<u>Ecosystem Restoration</u>	<u>\$2.13 billion</u>	<u>COM</u>
Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT)	\$28 million	SET
Healthy Streets Program	\$500 million	COM

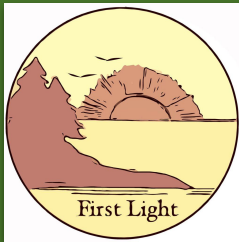


Broadband

The act invests \$65 billion to expand broadband, with \$2 billion in dedicated funding for a long-overdue expansion of broadband for Tribal entities and governments.



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Digital Equity Act of 2021

- Establishes that access to a broadband connection and digital literacy have become increasingly necessary for individuals to participate in society, the economy, and civic institutions; access health care and essential services; obtain education; and build careers.
- Digital Equity Act Programs: Dedicates \$2.75 billion to establish two grant programs that promote digital inclusion and equity to ensure that all individuals and communities have the skills, technology, and capacity needed to reap the full benefits of our digital economy:
 - The State Digital Equity Capacity Grant Program
 - ➔ The State Digital Equity Planning Grant Program
 - The State Digital Equity Competitive Grant Program



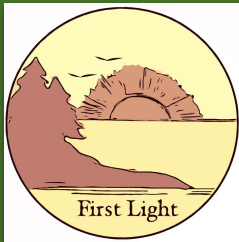
State Digital Equity Capacity Grant *New*

- **Description:** To ensure that states have the capacity to promote the achievement of digital equity and support digital inclusion activities.

- **Eligible uses:**

Phase 1 -Development of a State Digital Equity Plan and Phase 2 - Implementation of plans ie. Planning (e.g. feasibility), broadband adoption/digital literacy/tech support

Agency: Department of Commerce	Bureau: National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)
Amount: Phase 1: \$60 million Phase 2: \$1.44 million Set -Asid: At least 5% for Tribes	Funding Mechanism: Formula Grants
Recipients: Tribal Governments	New Program?: Yes



State Digital Equity Capacity Grant *New*

NTIA would calculate Capacity Grant amounts based on the following formula:

- 50% based on the population of the state in proportion to the total population of all eligible states;
- 25% based on the number of individuals in the state who are members of covered populations in proportion to the total number of individuals in all eligible states who are members of covered populations; and
- 25% based on the comparative lack of availability and adoption of broadband in the state in proportion to the lack of availability and adoption of broadband of all eligible states.



State Digital Equity Competitive Grant *New*

- **Description:**

Support efforts to achieve digital equity, promote workforce development, promote digital inclusion activities, and spur greater adoption of broadband among covered populations

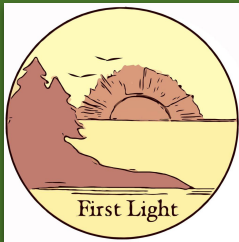
- **Eligible uses:**

Broadband adoption/digital literacy/tech support, digital equity programs

Agency: Department of Commerce	Bureau: National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)
Amount: \$1.25 billion Amount set aside: 5% (62.5 million)	Funding Mechanism: Grant
Recipients: Tribal Governments	New Program?: Yes



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State Digital Equity Competitive Grant *New*

Grants will be required to support at least one of the following activities:

- Develop and implement digital inclusion activities that benefit covered populations;
- Facilitate the adoption of broadband by covered populations for educational and employment opportunities;
- Implement training programs for covered populations that cover basic, advanced, and applied skills, or other workforce development programs;
- Provide equipment, networking capability, hardware and software, or digital network technology for broadband services to covered populations at low or no cost;
- Construct, upgrade, expand, or operate new or existing public access computing centers for covered populations through community anchor institutions.



Next Steps and Key Resources

- IIJA Broadband Programs Pre-NOFO Technical Assistance Webinar #4: Wednesday, April 27, 2022, from 2:30–4:00 p.m. ET; and
- IIJA Broadband Programs Pre-NOFO Technical Assistance Webinar #5: Wednesday, May 11, 2022, from 2:30–4:00 p.m. ET.
- **Notice of Funding Opportunity will open between October 2023 and December of 2023**

Links

- Broadband USA Digital Equity Programs:
<https://broadbandusa.ntia.doc.gov/resources/grant-programs/digital-equity-programs>
- Congressional Research Service: Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Summary of Broadband Provisions - <https://sgp.fas.org/crs/misc/R46967.pdf>



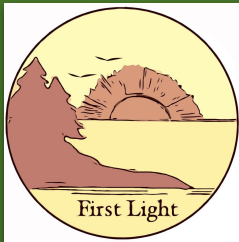
Distance learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Program: Reconnect Program

- **Description:** Facilitate broadband deployment in areas of rural America that currently do not have sufficient access to broadband. In facilitating the expansion of broadband services and infrastructure, the program will fuel long-term rural economic development and opportunities in rural America.
- **Eligible uses:** To build infrastructure and install equipment that provides modern, reliable, high-speed Internet service in rural America.

Agency: USDA	Bureau: Rural Utilities Service
Amount: \$1.92 billion	Funding mechanism: 100% Grant for Tribal Governments
Recipients: Federally recognized Indian tribes	New Program?: No



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ReConnect: Eligible Uses

- **To fund the construction or improvement of facilities required to provide fixed terrestrial broadband service** including buildings, land, and fixed wireless service.
- **To fund reasonable pre-application expenses.** May not exceed five percent of the award and must be included in the first request for advance of award funds and will be funded with either grant or loan funds.
- **To fund the acquisition of an existing system that does not currently provide sufficient access to broadband (eligible for 100 percent loan requests only).**



More Details

- **100 Percent Grant for Tribal Governments and Socially Vulnerable Communities**
Up to \$350,000,000 is available for grants.
- If the applicant is a Tribal Government, or a corporation that is wholly owned by a Tribal Government, proposing to provide service on its own lands, **there is no matching fund requirement** and applicants may apply for grant funds to construct the broadband facilities.



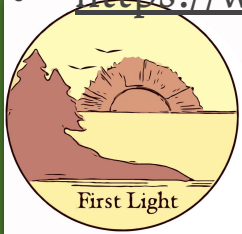
Next Steps and Key Resources

Next Steps:

- Review the eligibility information for the Reconnect Program to determine your project's [geographic eligibility](#).
- [Find the area](#) you're proposing to serve using the ReConnect Program Service Area Map.
- Decide which of the [funding categories](#) to apply for. The amount and types of funds available can be found in the latest FOA.
- Reach your [General Field Representative](#) for any assistance you may need or questions you may have about the ReConnect Program or the application process.
- **Notice of Funding Opportunity will open between July 2022 - September 2022**

Resources:

- Application materials and resources, including the ReConnect Program Application Guide:
 - <https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.usda.gov/reconnect/forms-and-resources&sa=D&source=editors&ust=1650404129958078&usg=AOvVaw1-SgRsKnwuANC8uqEAWbfm>
- ReConnect Workshops and Webinars:
 - <https://www.usda.gov/reconnect/application-workshop-webinar-materials>



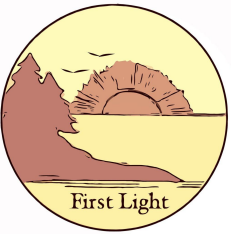
Broadband



Program Name	Amount	Funding Type
<u>State Digital Equity Capacity Grant Program</u>	<u>\$72 million</u>	<u>SET</u>
<u>Digital Equity Competitive Grant Program</u>	<u>\$62.5 million</u>	<u>SET</u>
<u>ReConnect Program</u>	<u>\$1.92 billion</u>	<u>COM</u>
State Digital Equity Capacity Grant Program	\$72 million	SET
Affordable Connectivity Fund	\$75 per household	SET



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Environment



Addressing legacy
pollution &
Restoring the
ecological health
of lands and
waters



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Fish Passage - NOAA

Description: Removing in-stream barriers and providing technical assistance (barrier removal grants, new community-based restoration program)

Eligible uses: On the ground fish passage restoration projects, engineering and design, future project development phases, and building the capacity of new and existing restoration partners to design projects and manage multi-faceted construction efforts

Agency: Department of Commerce	Bureau: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
Amount: \$400 million, \$60 million set aside	Funding Mechanism: Grant
Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes	New Program? No



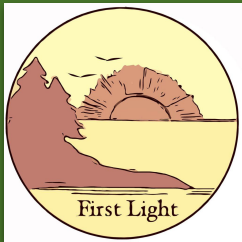
Fish Passage - NOAA - Example

Reopening the Penobscot River

- The Penobscot Nation worked with NOAA and others to rework and remove dams in the river
- The project opened more than 30 miles of spawning habitat for sea-run fish including the alewife, American eel, and Atlantic salmon.

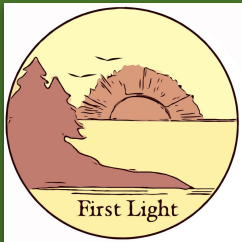


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Fish Passage - More details

- **\$15 million per year**
- No match requirements
- Funding is for: Design, engineering plans, construction
- Three year projects: year 1 = design and permitting / feasibility, year 2 and 3= construction
- Funding is eligible to pay for staff to manage projects
- Federally recognized Tribes can apply directly or partner with Atlantic salmon Federation, The Nature Conservancy, Maine Coast Heritage Trust and others
- Projects range from a couple hundred thousand to several million
- Tribal specific competition, broader competition that Tribes can also apply to



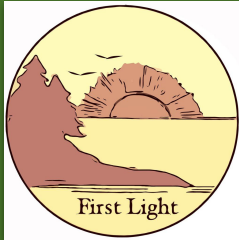
Next steps and key resources

- Encourage folks to reach out- Matt Bernier or John Catena
 - Start strategizing with them- interest in webinar?
 - John Catena- Northeast and Great Lakes Regional Supervisor, john.catena@noaa.gov, Matthew Bernier- NOAA Fisheries, matthew.bernier@noaa.gov
- Put out competitive Notice of Funding Opportunities within the next couple months (Hopefully May)
 - They will be out for 30 days
 - Four month process
- There will be one NOAA website for all sources of BIL Funding



Other Environment Programs of Interest

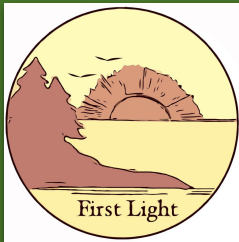
Program Name	Amount	Funding type
<u>Fish Passage - NOAA</u>	<u>\$60 million</u>	<u>SET</u>
Reduce, Reuse, Recycling Education and Outreach Grants	\$75 million	COM
Wildlife Crossing Pilot Program	\$350 million	COM
NOAA Coastal Habitat Restoration	\$490 million	COM



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Tribal Transit Program

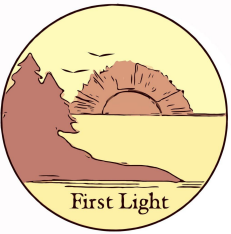
(AKA Public Transportation on Indian Reservations)

- Description: Provides direct funding to Federally recognized Indian Tribes to provide public transportation service on and around Indian reservations or Tribal land in rural areas
- Eligible uses: Federally recognized tribes may use the funding for capital, operating, planning, and administrative expenses for public transit projects that meet the growing needs of rural tribal communities

Agency: Department of Transportation	Bureau: Federal Highway Administration
Amount: \$229 million	Funding Mechanism: Competitive grants and formula grants
Recipients: Federally recognized Indian Tribes	New program? No



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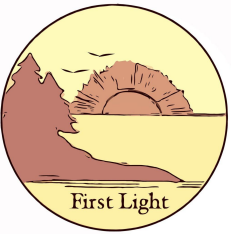


Tribal Transit Program

- The Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians will receive funding to purchase a loader and plow to maintain its transit facilities and routes to ensure continued services for its tribal members in Aroostook County. The equipment will be used to remove snow and debris from transportation facilities and transit routes through the winter months and for materials movement at facilities in Spring, Summer and Fall. (2019)



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Tribal Transit Program

Eligible Projects

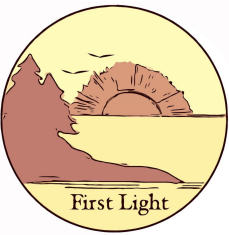
- **Planning**
- **Capital:**
 - Purchase of expansion or replacement buses/vans
 - Bus-related equipment
 - Construction and rehabilitation of facilities
 - Technology, including computer hardware or software
- **Costs directly related to service operations**
 - Fuel
 - Drivers' and Dispatchers' salaries and fringe benefits
 - Service agreements with private providers of public transportation services

Evaluation Criteria

- Evaluation criteria
 - 1. Planning and Local/Regional Prioritization
 - 2. Project Readiness
 - 3. Demonstration of Need
 - 4. Demonstration of Benefits
 - 5. Financial Commitment and Operating Capacity



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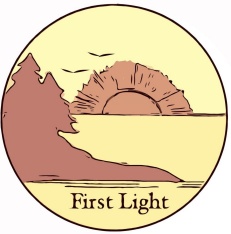


Next steps and Key Resources

- Increased funding by 83%
 - Grows each year - Formula 35-38m, competitive 9-10 m
- FY 2022 competitive program
 - \$8.75 m available
 - APPLICATIONS ARE DUE MAY 25
 - Notice of funding opportunity 2022:
<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-02-16/pdf/2022-03341.pdf>
- Transit Program Presentation:
- <https://www.transit.dot.gov/sites/fta.dot.gov/files/2022-03/FY22-Tribal-Transit-Competitive-Program-Webinar-Presentation.pdf>
- Apply here at Grants.gov :
- <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=338127>



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Tribal Transportation Program

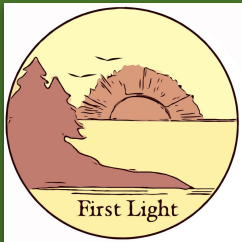
- **Description:** To provide safe and adequate transportation and public road access to and within Indian reservations, Indian lands, and Alaska Native Village communities.
- **Eligible uses:** Transportation activities such as planning, design, and construction of transportation facilities, as well as addressing maintenance and transportation safety issues

Agency: Department of Transportation	Bureau: Federal Highway Administration
Amount: \$3 billion	Funding mechanism: Formula grant
Recipients: Federally recognized Tribal governments	New program? No



More Details:

- Funding is provided to Tribes either as Tribal shares or as special set-aside funding to address transportation planning or safety and bridge projects and activities.
 - 5% set-aside for the BIA and FHWA to carry out program management and oversight, Tribes receive all other available TTP funding.
 - 2% of TTP funds are set-aside for Planning
 - 3% of TTP funds are set-aside for the TTP Bridge Program
 - 2% of TTP funds are set-aside for the TTP Safety Fund



Tribal Transportation Program - Examples

• Construction Projects 2020 - \$7K - \$115K

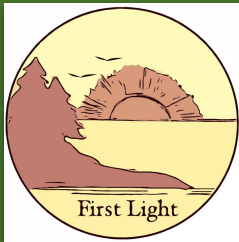
- Mi'kmaq Nation- parking and access to administrative building
- Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians - Engineering/ Surveying and Design of 4.5 miles of road
- Passamaquoddy Tribe-Indian Township - Design and construction
- Penobscot Nation - 2 grants for 'rehab'

• Non Construction Projects 2020 - \$10K - \$375K

- Mi'kmaq Nation- Mowing, snow removal, equipment purchases, improve condition of gravel and paved roads. Maintain all tribal roads to improve safety and quality.
- Passamaquoddy Tribe--Indian Township - TTP Inventory update, Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update and transportation planning activities.
- Passamaquoddy Tribe--Pleasant Point - New electronics
- Penobscot Nation - Consultant updating tribes (LRTP)
- Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians - 2% Planning funds used to support planning operations including office supplies.



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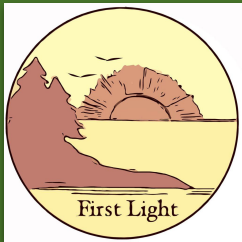


Next Steps and Key Resources

- **Next Milestone: Fiscal year 2022 funds will be released with guidance on eligible uses of funds in the coming months**

Links:

- [Program Delivery Guide:](https://flh.fhwa.dot.gov/other/documents/ott/ttp-delivery-guide.pdf)
<https://flh.fhwa.dot.gov/other/documents/ott/ttp-delivery-guide.pdf>
- [Program Overview:](https://highways.dot.gov/sites/fhwa.dot.gov/files/docs/federal-lands/programs-tribal/32716/fhwa-tribal-transportation-program-overview.pdf)
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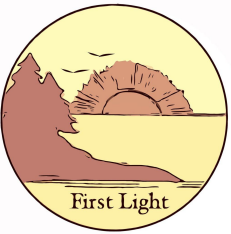


Transportation Programs of Interest

Program Name	Amount	Funding Type
<u>Tribal Transportation Program</u>	<u>\$3 billion</u>	<u>FTO</u>
<u>Tribal Transit Program</u>	<u>\$229 million</u>	<u>FTO</u>
Tribal High Priority Projects	\$150 million	FTO
Bridge Formula Program	\$825 million	SET
Bridge Investment Program	\$100 million	SET
Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects Program under the FAST Act	\$887.5 million	SET



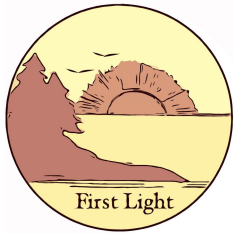
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Low Income Home Energy Assistance

- Description: The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program assists eligible low income households with their heating and cooling energy costs, bill payment assistance, energy crisis assistance, weatherization and energy-related home repairs
- Eligible uses: The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program provides federally funded assistance in managing costs associated with home energy bills, energy crises, weatherization and energy-related minor home repairs.

Agency: Department of Health and Human Services	Bureau: Administration for Children and Families
Amount: \$500 million over 5 years	Funding mechanism: Grant
Recipients: Tribal Governments (federally recognized), Tribal Governments (other than federally recognized), Indian Housing Authorities, and Consortia Authorized to Administer the Program by eligible Tribal Entities	Next milestone? No

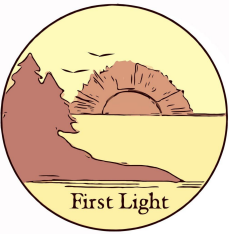


Low Income Home Energy Assistance

- The \$500 million included in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law is the Administration's third appropriation of LIHEAP funding in the past year.
 - March 2021, Congress more than doubled the annual amount of LIHEAP funding — appropriating \$4.5 billion in supplemental funding through the American Rescue Plan Act, in order to account for higher needs resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - September 2021, Congress appropriated \$3.7 billion in annual LIHEAP funding through the Continuing Resolution. In total, the three appropriations mark a historic investment of nearly \$8 billion over a 12-month period.



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Examples

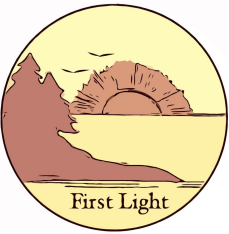
Initial FY 2022 Funding Release of LIHEAP Block Grant Funds to Indian Tribes and Tribal Organizations

- Mi'kmaq Nation \$158,185
- Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians \$158,185
- Passamaquoddy Tribe--Indian Township \$301,825
- Passamaquoddy Tribe--Pleasant Point \$421,100
- Penobscot Tribe \$289,824

https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ocs/corr_liheap_fy22crfundingdclattachment2_110121.pdf



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Next Steps and Key Resources

- Maine Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP):
 - <https://www.benefits.gov/benefit/1558>
- Maine Application:
 - https://www.benefitsapplication.com/program_info/ME/LIHEAP
- LIHEAP Clearinghouse:
 - <https://liheapch.acf.hhs.gov/tribal>

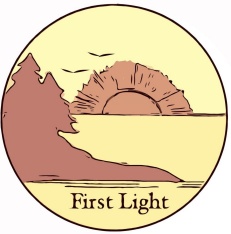


Other Energy Programs of Interest

Program Name	Amount	Funding Type
<u>Low Income Home Energy Assistance</u>	<u>\$500 million</u>	<u>COM</u>
Preventing Outages and Enhancing the Resilience of the Electric Grid	\$5 billion	COM
New Solar Research and Development	\$20 million	COM
Solar Improvement Research and Development	\$40 million	COM



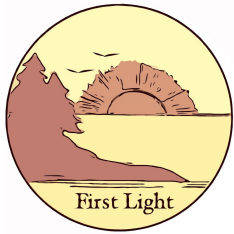
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Clean Water State Revolving Funds

- **Description:** The Clean Water State Revolving Fund program is a federal-state partnership that provides communities low-cost financing for a wide range of water quality infrastructure projects. Under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, 49 percent of Clean Water State Revolving Fund funds shall be eligible to be grants or 100 percent principal forgiveness loans.
- **Eligible uses:** State Revolving Fund programs provide financial assistance to local communities and publicly owned treatment systems for construction of wastewater and stormwater treatment facilities and collection systems; nonpoint source pollution management; construction, repair, or replacement of decentralized wastewater treatment systems; construction of nature-based infrastructure solutions; and other uses associated with the management of wastewater and stormwater.

Agency:
Environmental
Protection Agency

Bureau:
State and Tribal
Assistance Grants

Amount:
\$30 million set aside

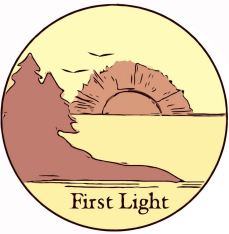
Funding mechanism:
Loans and Grants

Recipients:
Tribes are eligible to
receive funds

New program?:
No



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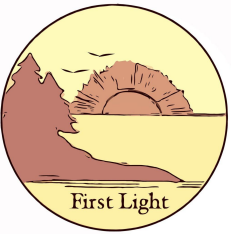


CWSRF Details

- In Maine, the CWSRF is administered by the Maine Municipal Bond Bank
- Traditionally used for “grey” water infrastructure, but EPA is interested in green infrastructure & conservation through the CWSRF
- Contacts: Greg Connors, gdc@mmbb.com



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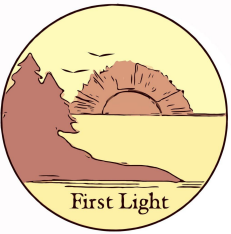


EPA Indian Reservation Drinking Water Program

- Agency: Environmental Protection Agency
- Amount: \$270 million
- Description: Funds projects that improve water quality, water pressure, or water services from a public water system
- 50% will go to pre-determined projects



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Resources - Where are they?

Presentation:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1d6JWioLPJJ_sW3zSSmAqjwlBaxBTrqda/edit#slide=id.p8

Full Infrastructure Law:

<https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/3684/text>

Spreadsheet:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1F3PSOqpngVc2jup5tImWdoVdxZowmlpFrhHg9Ck72Bc/edit#gid=o>

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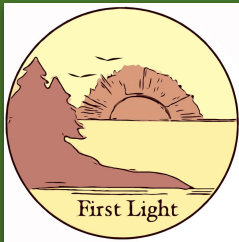
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Resources:

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Time for the Q & A

Thank You!



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