



# Climate United's Strategy: Native Communities

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## BACKGROUND

The Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund passed through the Inflation Reduction Act presents a once in a lifetime opportunity to tackle the climate crisis while building a stronger economy for all Americans. With extensive experience, durable infrastructure, and deep roots in communities across the country, Climate United has a robust and actionable strategy to leverage the National Clean Investment Fund (NCIF) and drive investments that will make the benefits of the clean energy transition clear to millions of people by creating jobs, lowering energy bills, and cleaning up dangerous pollution.

## OUR GOALS

**60%** Invested in low-income and disadvantaged communities

**20%** Invested in rural communities

**10%** Invested in native communities

## NEXT STEPS

We are eager to connect with and support native communities. We want our strategy to be driven by native-led organizations who know first hand what needs to be done in order to bring the benefits of a clean energy transition to tribal lands.

If awarded, we will hire committed staff members focused on building out our outreach and deployment strategy with experience working in native communities. Please don't hesitate to reach out using the information below to share your thoughts on how Climate United can best serve your community.

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## PILLARS OF OUR STRATEGY



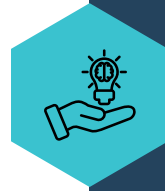
### SUPPORTING TRIBAL SOVEREIGNTY

We are unequivocally supportive of tribal sovereignty and know that Tribal Nations just need the financial resources to lead the clean energy transition in their communities. Our allocation of resources, the market segments that we will serve, and all other aspects of our work with indigenous communities will be uniquely adapted based on the feedback of our partners about their needs.



### LED BY NATIVE ORGANIZATIONS

Climate United has partnerships with, and is seeking partnership with, Indigenous-led and Indigenous-serving organizations around the country, such as the Native CDFI Network (NCN), Navajo Power, Mountain Plains CDC and the Alliance for Tribal Energy. We are expanding this network to ensure that native communities have capital solutions for their clean energy needs.



### BELIEF IN NATIVE CDFIS

Climate United has a partnership with the Native CDFI Network (NCN) and the Native CDFI movement. We will leverage this relationship to provide predevelopment support to projects that need additional support, and we will provide financing on projects that are beyond the size of what can be supported through CCIA grant funds.



### LEARNING AND ADAPTING

We have held and are planning more listening sessions with native-led organizations, tribal leaders, and other stakeholders to learn first-hand how best to allocate funds to meet our investment goals. Native representatives on our Board and Advisory Council, alongside partners, will help steer our strategy and provide consistent feedback for the best outcomes.