Welcome

Thank you for joining us for the Tribes and Sustainable Development Workshop. This workshop is designed to build the capacity of HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning and Community Challenge grantees working with tribal nations to develop strong planning and economic development strategies.

Discussion topics will address both planning and project implementation techniques. Through expert trainings and peer resource-sharing, participants will learn about innovative approaches to sustainable economic development in Indian Country; collaborative partnerships, visioning processes, and planning strategies that promote quality growth; and effective communications techniques. Additional sessions will address growing community-based entrepreneurs and businesses; project financing; affordable housing; and connecting water infrastructure to community and economic development goals.

Presentations and other event materials, as well as reports, case studies, and other resources related to planning, economic development, transportation, and sustainable development issues can be accessed at www.NADO.org and www.SCLearningNetwork.org.

Thank you for attending, and we hope this event is valuable to you. Please be sure to fill out the evaluation form provided in your folder, to assist us in planning future events.

About the Sustainable Communities Capacity Building Program

Through a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the NADO Research Foundation leads one of the eight teams providing capacity building and technical assistance to HUD and EPA sustainable communities award recipients. The capacity building teams are forming networks among the grantees to exchange ideas on successful strategies, lessons learned, and emerging tools. This work will strengthen the capacity of grantee communities to create more housing choices, make transportation more efficient and reliable, make more efficient investments in water and wastewater infrastructure, and build vibrant, healthy and economically prosperous neighborhoods. Grantees and their partners can access resources, network with their peers, and find information about upcoming events on the SC Learning Network, available here: http://sclearningnetwork.org/.

This program is a component of the Partnership for Sustainable Communities, an innovative interagency collaboration, launched by President Obama in June 2009, between HUD, EPA and DOT to lay the foundation for a 21st century economy by creating more financially, environmentally, and socially sustainable communities. More information about the Partnership and additional resources can be found here: http://www.sustainablecommunities.gov/.
Sponsors

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About NADO and the NADO Research Foundation

The National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) is a national membership organization for the nation’s 540 regional development organizations focused on strengthening local governments, communities, and economies through regional solutions, partnerships, and strategies. NADO and its membership of regional development organizations (RDOs) are part of the nation’s intergovernmental partnership system of federal, state, and local officials. While many regional development organizations in smaller metropolitan and rural regions were originally founded solely as multi-county Economic Development Districts (EDDs) designated by the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA), most have expanded and diversified their programs and services to play a key role in community and economic development, emergency management and homeland security preparedness, GIS data analysis and information management, business development finance, technology and telecommunications, transportation and workforce development.

Founded in 1988, the NADO Research Foundation is the nonprofit research affiliate of NADO. The NADO Research Foundation identifies, studies, and promotes regional solutions and approaches to improving local prosperity and services through the nationwide network of RDOs. The Research Foundation shares best practices and offers professional development training, analyzes the impact of federal policies and programs on RDOs, and examines the latest developments and trends in small metropolitan and rural America. Most importantly, the Research Foundation is helping bridge the communications gap among practitioners, researchers, and policy makers.
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## AGENDA

### THURSDAY, JULY 26

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| 8:00 a.m. | Registration and Networking  
*Coffee and continental breakfast will be provided* |
| 8:30 a.m. | Welcome and Purpose                                                     |
| 8:45 a.m. | Roundtable Introductions  
*HUD Sustainable Communities Grantees will each offer a two-minute overview of their projects.* |
| 9:15 a.m. | Positioning Tribes as Economic Competitors  
*Sherry Salway Black, National Congress of American Indians*  
Black will discuss the unique underlying barriers to accessing and controlling wealth and resources in tribal nations, and will highlight recent trends in Indian country that are shaping how tribes are now approaching sustainable economic development using innovative collaboration and partnerships. |
| 10:15 a.m. | Break                                                               |
| 10:30 a.m. | Developing Plans and Putting Them into Action: Bottom-Up Community Planning and Economic Development in Indian Country  
*Jim Beard, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation*  
*Tomasita Duran, Ohkay Owingeh Housing Authority*  
Panelists will describe case studies of tribal communities that have developed long-term visioning and economic development strategies that promote quality growth that it is consistent with tribes’ unique identities and cultural traditions. Participants will hear about challenges and opportunities that other tribal communities have encountered, from the visioning process through project implementation and construction. Presentations will be followed by a group discussion. |
| 12:15 p.m. | Luncheon Presentation: Growing Entrepreneurs in the Green Economy  
*Alice Loy, Global Center for Cultural Entrepreneurship*  
Loy will discuss the Sustainable Native Communities Collaborative, a partnership between the Global Center for Cultural Entrepreneurship and Enterprise Community Partners to support Native American entrepreneurs building culturally grounded businesses. |
| 1:30 p.m. | Communications Clinic: Articulating Your Goals and Developing Your Message  
*Tom Madrecki, Smart Growth America*  
This interactive training will help participants develop communications techniques around their community and economic development goals. Participants will work through exercises to identify community values and craft a clear, unique message specific to their projects. Participants will also learn how to address negative reactions and handle conflict and disruptions in the planning process. |
| 3:30 p.m. | Break                                                               |
3:45 p.m.  Raising Additional Funds and Navigating Legal and Financial Frameworks
Sherry Salway Black, National Congress of American Indians
Marvin Ginn, Native Community Financing
This session will address strategies for leveraging additional resources to ensure the longevity of current plans and projects in tribal communities. Presenters will discuss the nuts and bolts of financing projects on native lands, and will also discuss entrepreneurship and developing more broadly sustainable economic development agendas in tribal communities.

5:00 p.m.  Highlights from Day 1 and Goals for Day 2
Evening  Group Dinners in Old Town Albuquerque

FRIDAY, JULY 27

8:00 a.m.  Networking and Roundtable Discussion
FY10 Sustainable Communities Initiative grantees will share “lessons learned” with FY11 grantees. Coffee and continental breakfast will be provided.

8:30 a.m.  Federal Resources Available for Indian Country
Dwayne Marsh, HUD Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities
Learn about resources that tribes can tap into to further support their plans and programs.

9:00 a.m.  Turning Crisis into Opportunity
Pat Riggs, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
Ysleta del Sur Pueblo faced economic catastrophe with the loss of the gaming industry, but took this crisis as an opportunity to rethink how the Pueblo approached community and economic development. Through a community-driven process, the Pueblo built a new strategy for economic prosperity, governance, and accountability.

9:45 a.m.  Connecting Land Use, Water Infrastructure, and Economic Development on Tribal Lands
This roundtable discussion will provide an overview of concepts and discuss available tools and resources related to water infrastructure development, and grantees will have the opportunity to ask questions about their specific projects.
- Lauren Heberle, Center for Environmental Policy and Management, University of Louisville
- Carol Norton, Center for Environmental Policy and Management, University of Louisville
- Heather Himmelberger, New Mexico Environmental Finance Center

10:30 a.m.  Break

10:45 a.m.  Affordable Housing Development in Tribal Communities
This roundtable discussion will provide an overview of tools and resources available for tribal communities seeking to develop affordable housing and discuss opportunities and challenges related accessing quality housing and transportation options on tribal lands.
- Rosemary Fagrelius, Minnesota Housing Partnership
- Gene Gonzales, Housing Assistance Council
- Elizabeth Bernal, Rural Community Assistance Corporation

11:30 a.m.  Wrap up and Takeaways
12:00 p.m.  Adjourn
LOCATION INFORMATION

Meeting: Hotel Albuquerque  [www.hotelabq.com](http://www.hotelabq.com)
Franciscan Room
800 Rio Grande Blvd, NW, Albuquerque, NM 87014, 505-369-0895

Accommodations: The NADO room block at the Hotel Albuquerque is full.
Alternatively, you may try the Best Western Rio Grande Inn.  [http://www.riograndeinn.com/](http://www.riograndeinn.com/)
1015 Rio Grande Blvd. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104, 505-843-9500

Airport: Albuquerque International Sunport
The airport is about a 4-mile cab ride from the hotel. Cab fare is approximately $25 and information about shuttle service is here: [http://www.sunportshuttle.com/](http://www.sunportshuttle.com/).

Attire: Business casual
GRANTEE PROFILES

NORTHEAST ARIZONA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANNING PROJECT

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<td>Hopi, Navajo and White Mountain Apache Tribes (WMAT) or villages and chapters within those tribes; Apache County; St Johns, AZ; Springerville, AZ; Winslow, AZ</td>
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Project Scope

The goal of Northeast Arizona Economic Development Planning Partnership is to better position the communities and tribes of the region to address the challenging times of our day by developing individual community plans and then integrating common strategies identified by the individual communities into strategies for a regional plan. We are working together on important regional efforts to develop the tourism industry, support our natural resources industry, and support local small businesses.

Currently the WMAT and the village of Moenkopi have participated in the planning process with Building Communities. The Moenkopi Village plan is complete. The WMAT plan is still in process. The village of Sipaulovi has scheduled their planning sessions with Building Communities for August 1&2, 2012. The chapters/communities of Chinle, Ft. Defiance and Ganado are all in the process of selecting participants in the planning process and choosing dates for the planning process with Building Communities.

Building Communities is the contractor for the planning efforts of the Northeast Arizona Economic Development Planning Project. They have contracted to conduct 11 individual community plans and a regional plan for this project.
Challenges

The three most significant challenges are vision, resources and regulations. Most tribes and their communities have previously participated in planning processes that have not produced results. This makes local participation difficult. Community leaders and citizens are hesitant to spend their time on activities that sit on the shelf. Creating a strong enough vision through the planning process is a challenge. The Building Communities planning methodology requires strong, consistent participation from local leaders and residents. Building Communities believes that Community vision must come from the leadership and residents of that community to move from the planning stage to the implementation stage. Politics also plays a role in blurring community vision for the future. For example, the WMAT has undergone a bitter and controversial change in political leadership making planning a very difficult task.

While there are resources for planning, the challenge to find and allocate funding to carry out the individual community plans and then fund regional strategies is an enormous task. Making connections and building relationships with private and public funders is going to be critical to the implementation of local and regional plans.

Each tribe and community within that tribe have unique laws and regulations that can be very inhibitive to private investors and assistance from public entities. Local tribal communities do not always have the authority to move forward with their individual strategies and goals. The private and public sectors are well aware of the burdensome bureaucratic process that can choke even the simplest economic development strategies. Identifying the regulatory stumbling blocks and creating relationships with decision makers is critical to economic development for tribal communities.

**TAWA'OVI PLANNING GRANT**

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**Project Scope**

Develop the Tawa’ovi Community on the Hopi Indian Reservation as a sustainable community. The community will be designed to have up to 600 homes, 1,500 residents, numerous businesses, governmental services, schools and other key services. The Hopi Drive is using the Challenge grant to develop the plans for the new community and begin to attract housing, businesses, and infrastructure to Tawa’ovi.
Challenges

Attracting the necessary financing required to develop the community of Tawa’ovi, attracting housing, industry, retail, governmental and other services that are essential to the development of the community.

Strengths and Challenges by Topic Area

The strengths that the Tribe brings to the development of the community of Tawa’ovi are the urgent need for new housing, businesses and community facilities. The greatest weakness is the lack of funding and low income of the residents of the Hopi Indian Tribe.

Communications: The Planning Department holds monthly public meetings on the development of the community of Tawa’ovi and regularly meets with the Hopi Tribal Chairman Vice Chairman and the Tribe Council to explain the progress that is being made to develop this community. This meeting also solicits input and ideas from the public, Tribal Departments and elected officials.

Project financing: The Tawa’ovi Committee is actively seeking funding to develop this project.

Connecting economic development with land use planning and infrastructure development: The Tawa’ovi Committee is actively working on land use planning, developing all forms of infrastructure for the new community.

Fair and affordable housing: The development of fair and affordable housing is the cornerstone of the development of Tawa’ovi Community.

Additional Information

The Tawa’ovi Committee is actively pursuing all aspects of the development of the community of Tawa’ovi.

VIBRANT FUTURES (NORTH CENTRAL MONTANA)

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<td>Partners include Government entities (City, County, and Tribal); community development corporations; educational institutions; human service organizations, housing organizations,</td>
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<td>The region consists of 11 counties and three Indian Reservations (Blackfeet, Fort Belknap, &amp; Rocky Boy’s Indian Reservations) in Northcentral Montana.</td>
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<td>Our region covers over 31,284 square miles (making it larger than 10 states) and has a population of 148,808. Based upon the size of the region and the population levels, the region is considered rural/frontier.</td>
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**Project Scope**

*Vibrant Futures* works to enable the communities of Northcentral Montana to complete a region-wide visioning, planning, capacity building, and information exchange system that will help coordinate and move forward existing local plans to create a comprehensive response to high priority needs and opportunities for a more economically and environmentally sustainable development.

Opportunity Link serves as the lead organization to engage regional governments, planners, stakeholders and residents throughout the 36-month period to develop citizen involvement, government coordination, a high road approach to emerging jobs and contracts, and a series of baseline and benchmark metrics that can guide evaluation of progress.

The goal of Vibrant Futures is to develop citizen involvement and government planning that, over the next 20 years, will lead to improved employment, housing, community health and safety, regional transportation, water quality, and resource management.

**Challenges**

Development is handicapped by extreme distances and geographic isolation, extreme seasonal weather conditions, more than two decades of rural population loss and economic decline, persistent and extreme poverty on reservations, disproportionate health problems on reservations, and a history of structural racism.

Steady economic contraction and agricultural restructuring have affected our entire population, who suffered constricting municipalities, school closures, loss of services, and disappearing tax bases. Residents make long commutes and, until recently, relied completely on personal automobile access for transportation. Housing is expensive relative to earning abilities; winter energy bills exceed monthly rent. Alarming increases in obesity and diabetes are evident, with disproportionate effect in Native American communities, especially among children. Statistics demonstrate high rates of accidental death and suicide. Rural areas do not attract health care providers, requiring costly, long-distance travel for treatment. Aging infrastructures include dams, bridges, and drinking water; all of which are vulnerable due to delayed and non-coordinated maintenance and severe climate conditions.

Sustainable economic development in the region, especially the on the three Indian Reservations, presents many challenges. Currently, the major economic engine on the reservations remains governmental with the majority of businesses owned by tribal governments. Because of the historical isolation of reservation communities from external commercial activity, reservation communities became dependent on the federal government for survival. Statewide, 81.5% of Montanans work for private industry and 18.5% work for government entities. This healthy boon of private industry does not exist on our reservation communities and a far larger percentage of the population is employed by the government. Even in communities where successful, tribally owned enterprises are found, there is little business diversity because of the lack of development in the private sector and subsequent lack of economic growth to create employment opportunities.

Regional planning will present opportunities for cross-training and knowledge sharing amongst decision makers in the region to create roadmaps for development that will have regional impact.

**Strengths and Challenges by Topic Area**

**Communications:**

**Strength:** Our Vibrant Futures team consists of native, home-grown Montana expertise. This home-grown expertise becomes a strength in communication because our team members not only know the needs and priorities that exist within the region, but they can identify with the hardships and roadblocks that need to be addressed. With our roots planted firmly in Northcentral Montana, we have been able to develop a good network of contacts that help us in communicating our efforts. It also ensures that we continually recognize our region’s diversity—economically, demographically, and environmentally—and approaches to supporting sustainable rural communities should be equally varied.

**Challenge:** The challenge of communicating our goals to the community is the vastness of the region. Our regional planning grant encompasses 11 counties and 3 tribal communities, includes 31,248 square miles, and is home to approximately 148,000 residents. Not all communities have access to reliable forms of technology and are as accustomed and comfortable with utilizing it. A majority of the governmental entities have a preference to in-person presentations.

**Project financing:**

**Strength:** Regional approach to development that has the potential to attract investments.
Challenge: Tackling the barriers that have prohibited investments in frontier sized communities and on Tribal lands. No models to reference.

*Connecting economic development with land use planning and infrastructure development:*

Strength: Coordination to respond to existing local plans containing existing local plans to create a comprehensive response to high priority needs and opportunities for a more economically and environmentally sustainable development.

Challenge: We are working to identify common planning documents or elements within the many types of planning documents utilized by Cities, Counties, economic development agencies and Tribal communities.

*Fair and affordable housing:*

Strength: High levels of need and availability of development options.

Challenge: Land use, funding sources, dependency on Federal funding to address housing needs, and incorporating energy efficiency into the development of affordable housing opportunities.

### COCHITI PLAZA REVITALIZATION PROJECT

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#### Project Scope

The “Cochiti Plaza Revitalization Project” (Project) is a rural tribally-lead community planning effort of the Pueblo de Cochiti Tribal Administration, departments and entities, along with county, state, Federal and non- and for- profit entity partners, collaborating to revitalize the historically designated Plaza Area in the Pueblo.

The goals of the Project will be focused on accomplishing the following:

- Address a long standing tribal need and desire to revitalize and repopulate the Plaza area;
- Physically assess 60 homes and 2 Tribal cultural buildings for future renovation;
- Evaluate energy costs and usage in current and renovated homes;
- Design new/existing roads incorporating walking and bicycle paths for all community members;
- Survey and plat map existing Plaza area homes.
- Develop and establish homeownership and land assignment processes;
- Develop and increase the usage of local and other transportation sources to reduce transportation cost for employment, health and day to day needs;
- Involve underrepresented groups in the community planning process - youth, elders and disabled;
- Increase and enhance employment & income opportunities for tribal members and artisans;
- Develop draft building and design codes which jointly incorporate traditional and modern building concepts for future development and growth
- Repopulate vacant/abandoned Plaza homes as permanent residences;
- Incorporate energy efficient products and green build concepts into renovations and construction of new homes.

Once these planning objectives have been accomplished, this data can then be used to further the Tribe’s efforts in securing other funding sources to implement the developed processes to the desires of the Tribal Council and community.

**Challenges**

The Project is a unique undertaking of the Pueblo de Cochiti to revitalize its community by relooking at the historic living styles that has maintained and held its tradition, culture and language in tact for hundreds of years and will began at the heart of the Pueblo the “Plaza”.

The Plaza is the center point for all traditional and cultural activities that occurs throughout the year. Over the years, as mainstream living concepts were introduced, the ancient rationale of the Pueblo living concepts were set aside for the “new way” which has diminished the traditions, cultural and language of the Pueblo. This once cohesive community lived as one and cared and respected each other which kept the people safe, secure and respectful. The sprawled living concept has led to increased social dysfunctions within the community’s membership and the development of this type of project will help to preserve, maintain and continue the traditions, cultural and language of the Cochiti people.

**Topic Area Challenges:**

*Communications:* Acceptance from community members to change or revert back to older living concepts.

*Project financing:* Finding additional funding for future development efforts.

*Connecting economic development with land use planning and infrastructure development:* Finding adequate funding sources to foster further economic development, transportation expansion and usage.

*Fair and affordable housing:* Rehabbing/constructing of affordable housing.
### Additional Information on the REGION (Pine Ridge Indian Reservation):

- Home of the Oglala Band of Titonwan (Teton) Lakota of the Oceti Sakowin (Great Sioux Nation)
- Translations:
  - Oglala means “They Scatter Their Own / First to Attack”
  - Titunwan means “Prairie Dwellers”
  - Lakota means “Those who consider themselves kindred”
  - Oceti Sakowin means “Seven Council Fires”
- Tribal/Agency Headquarters: Pine Ridge, SD
- Counties: Bennett, Jackson, Shannon
- Languages: Lakota, English
- Population: 30,000-40,000
- Total Area: Approximately 2,700,000 acres
- Tribally Owned: 706,340 acres
- Allotted Owned: 1,064,840 acres
- Total Tribal/Allotted Owned: 1,771,180 acres (65.5%)
- Federal or Non-tribally Controlled: 928,820 acres (34.5%)

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### Project Scope

The Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant allows the Region to look at comprehensive ways to integrate housing, land use, economic and workforce development, transportation and infrastructure investments in a manner that empowers the Oglala Lakota Nation. Among other things, the plan considers the interdependent challenges of economic competitiveness and revitalization; social equity, inclusion, and access to opportunity; energy use and climate change; and, public health and environmental impacts.

Vision Statement: “It is the vision of the Oglala Lakota to acknowledge and move on from historical injustices and courageously build healthy, prosperous communities with wisdom, kindness, generosity and respect for all life, land, water and air. The Oyate (People), especially our Youth, are empowered to lead the way to this sustainable future while honoring our culture and history through the revitalization of our Lakota language.”
**Top Twelve Initiatives to Achieve the Vision and Goals:**

1. **Regional Planning Office**
   A new regional planning office becomes the hub to coordinate decision-making and encourage sustainable development and research. This body will take responsibility for stewarding the plan and supporting integrated implementation projects/policy as well as track grants and funding opportunities.

2. **Governance**
   Look at ways Lakota leadership can inform us and promote greater stability through transparency and constitutional reforms. Focus on capacity & independent strength of the three branches of government - judicial, legislative and executive. Increase public involvement.

3. **Language**
   Revive common use of the Lakota language and infuse it in all aspects of planning for the future.

4. **Youth and Young Ones**
   Youth and young ones are the future and the very sacred. There must be a basis of youth leadership in all facets of Lakota life in order to plan for a vibrant, healthy and prosperous future founded in deeply held cultural values passed along by the older generations.

5. **Model Community Development**
   Create sustainable and interconnected communities that provide better housing, places for businesses to thrive, and a healthy and supportive environment for youth, elderly, and families. Use model communities as living laboratories to build skills, knowledge, and capacity for residents. Explore and refine new ways of living that build on traditional Lakota values to develop innovative, homegrown Native solutions to a variety of challenges.

6. **Health and Wellness**
   Strengthen programs improving physical, mental, and spiritual health for overall societal wellness.

7. **Education, Training, and Outreach**
   Teach culture, build capacity, and share information on current activities and programs. Expand ways to teach, involve, inform, engage, and grow through trainings, media, and community events for all who live in the region as well as visitors.

8. **Economy**
   Dramatically increase access to funds and financing needed to build homes and businesses. Encourage entrepreneurship, workforce capacity, and responsible tourism. Seek out public and private partners.

9. **Land Use**
   Continue to untangle regulations and increase the land base of the Tribe. Sustain a balance between the development of homes and businesses, agriculture and preserving habitats and beautiful landscapes for all of our relatives - human, plant, and animal.

10. **Environment and Ecosystems**
    Ensure quality of the natural environment: water, air, and earth. Be prepared for and adapt to future climate changes. Map ecosystems and restore them.

11. **Communication**
    We want to communicate better. Answers to “Where?”, “How do I?” and “Who do I ask?” are built on a well-connected network of people in addition to a well-managed high-speed network of data transmission.

12. **Transportation**
    Provide better connections to communities, education, food, and job opportunities. Move beyond thinking of transportation as roads and consider multimodal transportation (buses, cars, horses, bicycles, and more). Build and maintain infrastructure that supports this goal and seek to align with wider reservation systems of growth and preservation. Redefine policy and funding formulas associated with transportation related activities.
Challenges

Cycles of poverty as a result of over a century’s worth of attempts to exterminate, assimilate, relocate and otherwise diminish the flourishing of the Lakota People. This has affected society at all levels in terms of social, mental, spiritual and physical functioning. Additionally, unfunded promises and treaties from the dominant culture have produced a difficult environment to fostering healing and growth. Also, lack of sensitivity and awareness by the dominating western society and its elected officials (who have a lot to do with the allocation of proper funding to tribes) further exacerbates difficulty in healing and growth in the Region. Thus, we constantly face challenges of enough properly equipped/trained members of the region who are healthy (in some or all of the areas mentioned) enough to maintain efforts at home to build a better future. Also, there is no real tax-base in such a poverty stricken place and funding is always limited. Thus, access to reliable and longer-term sources of capital and resources is a chronic issue. In the face of all of this, the language and culture of the people is constantly under attack. IT WILL TAKE A LOT MORE UNDERSTANDING BY OUTSIDERS AND COMMITTED RESOURCES FLOWING IN OUR REGION TO AFFECT THE CHANGE THAT IS Sought AS PART OF ORIGINAL $ ALLOCATION THAT WAS GIVEN FROM THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING PROJECT.

Topic Area Challenges:

Thunder Valley and its Consortium are largely tribal members, thus the “home team” effect is good and can generate more buy-in and trust from local communities.

Communications: We can speak in the vernacular of the local population and have very good outlets for sending out our message, but struggle with keeping tribally-enrolled employees with the skill sets that are needed to do community engagement and public relations.

Project financing: This project has made it clear that planning is sorely needed in our region. The last time we had a planning office was in the 1970’s. Without this, the lack of regional coordination and general chaos that has occurred since then severely impedes our region from reaching the successes it seeks. We really need a solution that goes beyond just producing a PLAN, which we have done, and supports longer term sustainable implementation and coordination. This is where financing is absolutely critical. Additionally, having community development monies available to support implementation projects (for examples, match funds for grants) are also needed. Financing is always an issue and our Region has ideas for what can be done, but needs more committed partners.

Connecting economic development with land use planning and infrastructure development: We have the framework for this set up by the nature of our Consortium Membership, but again, as our Region has no official Regional Planning Office that might be able to steward these types of continued conversations, the future connections look shaky.

Fair and affordable housing: We need to finish our first ever Pine Ridge Equity & Opportunity analysis. On the Oyate Omniciyey Oglala Lakota Planning Project, such a document was not mandatory due to the exemptions in the NAHASDA guidelines, and the Oglala Sioux Lakota Housing (tribally designated housing authority) only had to do a one page Housing Plan. Now that the sustainable communities planning project has happened, the project team is working with PolicyLink and others to produce more in-depth documentation that can highlight what has happened and what needs to be done. It is very apparent that our Region suffers greatly with lack of access to affordable and efficient housing. Equity is a more “subtle” consideration, in that the Region is not trying to be equal in who gets affordable housing – they are committed to serving tribal members first. Nonetheless, the issue of equity is very real in terms of wider economic impacts from the surrounding non-Native communities and cities who derive many economic gains from the local Native American populations, but do little to give back to the Native communities.

Additional Information

For more information on the Oyate Omniciyey Oglala Lakota Planning Project, visit these links:
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Important Historical Notes:

The tribes of the Oceti Sakowin (Dakota, Lakota, and Nakota) were once given the name nadowe-is-iw-ug, which means “little adders (snakes)” by their enemies, the Ojibway. The French mispronounced the Ojibway word as nadewisou and shortened it to “Sioux,” the name by which the tribes are collectively known. Because the name was intended as an insult, many of the people dislike being called Sioux.
At one time the traditional homelands of the Oceti Sakowin extended from the Bighorn Mountains in Wyoming to eastern Wisconsin. Their territory stretched from Canada in the north to Kansas in the south. The Lakota occupied an area in western Minnesota around the Great Stone Lake. In the mid-1700s the Lakota moved from Minnesota to the Black Hills region of western South Dakota, eastern Wyoming, and eastern Montana. In modern times they live on the Cheyenne River, Lower Brule, Pine Ridge, Rosebud, Crow Creek, and Standing Rock reservations in North and South Dakota, and at Fort Peck Reservation in Montana. There are also descendants of the Lakota and Dakota that live in Canada.

### THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY MASTER PLAN AND IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT (SPOKANE TRIBE)

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**Project Scope**

The HUD Community Challenge Planning Grant SOW is to create an adoptable, community-driven comprehensive plan for the Tribe—a plan for planning and to begin implementation. Implementation will occur through grant writing and by developing and adopting zoning and building codes that support a livable reservation and improve the quality of life for tribal members. The project promotes collaborative and inclusive planning for walkable, TOD, energy efficient development. In addition, we emphasize planning that allows for regional participation, specifically in the area of economic development, and tribal self-governance.

**Challenges**

Inter-departmental collaboration and the impacts of historical trauma within the community are significant challenges to future planning efforts. In addition, basic infrastructure and maintenance funding are barriers to future development.

**Topic Area Challenges:**

*Communications:* For the past eighteen months we have continued to work with small groups, publish articles in the local paper, hold events, and interact with the community in any way possible to keep our project goals alive. We have utilized Facebook, well known community members and elders, and have a Youth for a Sustainable Future project going. We are now in our second season...
of the youth project. We know our message is getting out there because we have seen other community groups develop and hold community events with the same messages. Our challenge is reaching the isolated members.

**Project financing:** The project is a huge undertaking. At times it is difficult to keep up with managing our current budget. Keeping up with current funding opportunities and then begin able to pursue future funding options could be a full-time job for all staff members. Our challenge is the internal grant writing protocol which slows our response time.

**Connecting economic development with land use planning and infrastructure development:** Our challenge is that we do not have a comprehensive plan in place to connect all the dots, but we are working on it. We have developed a very diverse team of individuals to address these issues. Our challenge with this new cross-department/organization has been political.

**Fair and affordable housing:** Our challenge here is funding and lack of building and zoning codes, which we are addressing. In this instance our strength is that we are willing to think outside the box to meet our housing needs, we have the support of HUD, and the Tribal HUD program that is open to change or looking at things differently. Our local HUD department requires grant writing and grant management assistance.

**Additional Information**

In any community, there are “wicked” social issues that must be addressed and at times, that is difficult to do with planning alone. Throwing funding at or applying band-aids to these issues will not solve the problem. The Spokane Tribal community’s vision is to provide a healthy, culture-rich environment in which we can all be self-sufficient. The main community concern is the overwhelming incidence of drug and alcohol abuse and suicide. How does a plan address these issues? Well, I would say the plan does not, but the actions following the plan can and will. How do we convince funders to support these efforts when they can look outside their window and see the same condition within their poor neighborhoods that have not been addressed? How do we inform funders of the special state that Tribes are in from being placed on reserves and years of mismanagement of funds and isolation? These problems may mistakenly appear to be a life-style choice or perceived as silly complaints or asking for even more handouts due to the lack of knowledge around the federal trust responsibility and Federal Indian Law. I believe our project promotes self-sufficiency, self-governance and self-determination, but these cannot be realized without some support from the outside.
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Project Scope

The 3 main goals of the project are (1) revise the pre-existing grass-roots comprehensive regional plan for the Enterprise Community, (2) fill gaps in data and planning at the tribal level (transportation, land use, energy), and (3) seed projects to complete the first strategic plan including Fire and Emergency Services, Cultural Tourism Facility, and green housing development.

Challenges

The most significant challenges in accomplishing the grant are (1) a lack of understanding about the unique legal and organizational nature of Native American communities. Imposing a cookie cutter approach across all projects nationally does not work, and (2) devising a regional plan with non-contiguous areas that focuses on an ethnic sub-sector with vastly different goals than the surrounding interspersed communities.

Challenges to economic development in the region include insufficient human capacity, lack of public support, availability of investment capital in areas of development interest and restrictive legal infrastructure (Constitution, BIA Review process, lack of Codes, etc.). The challenges to sustainable development are few because these values are wholly embraced by the community. High costs for investments in green infrastructure are a hard sell in impoverished communities. The rural nature of these communities poses challenges with respect to transportation.

Topic Area Challenges:

Communications: None.

Project financing: Cultural- and Eco- Tourism Destination Site Development Funding is limited.

Connecting economic development with land use planning and infrastructure development: Some topics of economic development such as industrial development are highly politicized between 2 factions within the Native community. One group wants development and one group wants traditional lifestyles. Generally water, broadband and infrastructure are more widely accepted, however, the resident population has difficulty paying user costs.

Fair and affordable housing: None.
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Policy Research Center and the Board of Governors for the Honoring Excellence in the Governance of Tribal Nations program at
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Dr. Loy’s driving passion is applying entrepreneurship to social and cultural challenges and opportunities. Loy has worked in Mexico, Central America, and Native America with indigenous people, researching cultural industry development and enterprise creation. Loy has designed and taught university level courses ranging from Social Entrepreneurship to Environmental Ethics. Loy’s doctoral dissertation focused on social-environmental entrepreneurs’ use of communication networks. In 2010 Loy led an innovative research project, funded by W.K. Kellogg Foundation, which analyzed the social, health, and economic impacts of cultural ventures on Native American families. Loy holds a BA in Cultural Ecology from Prescott College and an MBA from the University of New Mexico.

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Her previous work included a public sector internship on Town and Country planning in England and as a planning commissioner in Corydon, Indiana and Louisville, Kentucky, as well as serving on the Metro Louisville Landmarks Commission. As Assistant Manager, she is currently involved in the writing, editing and distribution of practice guides throughout Region 4 – the Southeast – in an effort to increase education about environmental planning, sustainable development, water quality and community revitalization. She has also worked on projects that include land use and housing inventories and affordable housing policies and practices. She has also co-authored the Kentucky Wet Growth Tools for Sustainable Development: A Handbook on Land Use and Water for Kentucky Communities with Prof. Tony Arnold and Dustin Wallen of the U of L Center for Land Use and Environmental Responsibility.

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Ms. Riggs has extensive experience in American Indian tribal affairs and was instrumental in the establishment and initial funding of the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Court. Her experience includes program development, strategic planning, grant writing and crafting tribal policy and codes. Ms. Riggs has sat on national native committees and boards such as the Tribal Law and Policy Institute Advisory Board, The Tribal Wellness to Healing Courts (Drug Courts) Publication Committee, the Tribal Justice Resource Center Management Oversight Committee and the National Child Welfare Resource Center for Tribes National Advisory Council. Most importantly, Patricia is an active participant in cultural activities and traditional ceremonies.
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