



HEAL Tribal Capacity Building Grant Application Information Session



January 3, 2024

AGENDA

Welcome and Introductions

Background on HEAL and capacity grants

Funding process

Q&A

Healthy Environment for All Act – Intent

- The purpose of the law is to reduce environmental and health disparities in Washington, center environmental justice in Washington state government, and improve the health of all Washington state residents, by:
 - Implementing Environmental Justice Task Force Recommendations
 - Reducing exposures to environmental hazards within Indian country (on reservation and other lands defined by 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1151) due to off-reservation activities within the state
 - Improving state practices to address contamination of traditional foods
 - Administering programs to remedy the effects of past disparate treatment

In order for all communities in Washington state to be healthy and thriving, state government should aim to concentrate government actions to benefit communities that currently have the greatest environmental and health burdens. (RCW [70A.02.005](#))

Healthy Environment for All Act - Overview

Environmental Justice Council

Community Forum

Guidance to Governor, Legislature, and Agencies

Agency Accountability

Washington Tracking Network

Tribal Consultation

Maintain and update Environmental Health Disparities Map

Healthy Environment for All Act Covered Agencies

Tribal Consultation

Community Engagement

Strategic Planning

Environmental Justice Assessments

Budgeting and Funding

Metrics and Reporting

Transformation of Agency Culture, Policy, and Practice



Support for engagement on Environmental Health Inequities (Disparities) Map update

Background



The map is a tool potentially used by HEAL covered agencies.

Transition to a new platform

Needs to better reflect Tribal Values and priorities; although updates Tribal and community feedback

Tribal Data Sovereignty is paramount

Upcoming opportunities



Updates are made via consultation and collaboration with Tribes

Community engagement is also occurring

Plans to convene technical working groups on Climate HEALTH Indicators and changes

HEAL Newsletter, connect through EJ Grant support,

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Healthy Environment for All Act Capacity Grant - Background

- Available to any Federally Recognized Indian Tribe with HEAL Act impacts to rights and interests in their Tribal Lands,
- Funding to provide guidance and input to:
 - Agencies' implementation of Healthy Environment for All Act work
 - Environmental Justice Council
 - Environmental Health Disparities map
- Funding goes through June 30, 2025
- \$11.7 million total, \$403,450 base award per Tribe
 - After priority deadline Tribal organizations can apply for funds and Tribes can apply for funding in excess of \$403,450
- Funding may be used to hire or contract staff

Healthy Environment for All Capacity Grants – Examples of How Funding Can be Used

Example Task	Example Deliverable
Participate on a first foods, climate health indicators, water focused technical workgroup to inform Environmental Health Disparities Map development.	Create/update Tribal Climate health indicators; may include review or updates to data sharing protocols. Documentation of technical workgroup meetings, such as meeting minutes or summary, shared or co-created with DOH program manager.
Attend Environmental Justice Council meetings or agency briefings.	Documentation of meetings, such as meeting minutes or summary, shared or co-created with state agency program manager.
Tribal Consultations related to the different obligations of the HEAL Act.	Attend Tribal consultation on the Dept. of Commerce’s Energy grants.
Conduct environmental health and justice assessment.	Documentation of assessment, such as summary or key findings.
Build community capacity to participate in HEAL activities	Host community events to discuss HEAL Act and gather input.

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Priority* Application timeline

Application release date	December 15, 2023
Informational webinars	January 3, 2024, 3-4 January 10, 2024, 10-11
Priority application due date	January 31, 2024
Estimated internal review of applications	February 1-15, 2024
Estimated notification of contract award	February 16, 2024
Estimated contract execution/start date	March 1, 2024

*Applications are rolling through October 2024. After the priority application period Tribal organizations can apply.

Application Materials

1. Applicant information form
2. Statement of work – updated to reflect planned activities
3. Budget narrative form – updated to reflect expected expenses

Application form can be found here:

[TribalHEALCapacityGrantApplication.pdf \(wa.gov\)](#)

Background information can be found here:

[Healthy Environment for All \(HEAL\) Act Tribal Capacity Grants | Washington State Department of Health](#)

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