



Dawnland Fund Application

Background

The Dawnland Fund is a Native American community re-granting fund to support small-scale community led projects benefitting children, women, and their families from rural, reservation, and intertribal urban Indigenous communities across the northeast. The geographic footprint for the Dawnland Fund is based upon longstanding historical and intertribal relations among Wabanaki, Mohawk and southern New England tribal peoples across the Native northeast.

The Dawnland Fund will strengthen community led activities and events through a combination of seed funding, logistical and technical support, and connecting like-minded people and organizations across our geographic region, which will serve to strengthen the *network of relations* and movement building initiatives by and for Indigenous people.

Dawnland Fund will provide seed grants ranging from \$1000 to \$10,000 for community-led projects. Funding will support a variety of **new** endeavors (not existing programs/efforts) including indigenous artistry; health & wellness; violence prevention; cultural activities & traditional cultural revitalization; professional and economic development; education and literacy.

Organization Name: _____

Your Name: _____

Contact Information: Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Amount Requested from Dawnland Fund

Please request an amount between 1000-10,000 dollars.

Total Project Budget

Please provide the total project budget figure for your project, including what you are requesting from the Dawnland Fund.

Type of Project - Please choose ONE option

- Indigenous Artistry
- Health and Wellness
- Violence Prevention and/or Healing
- Education and literacy
- Cultural activities/ Revitalization
- Economic opportunity

Other:

Indigenous Population Served

- Maine
- New Hampshire
- Vermont
- Massachusetts
- Rhode Island
- Connecticut
- Intertribal
- Other

Population served: _____

One Sentence Project Description

Complete the following sentence: We request support to . . .

Community Overview

Briefly describe the community that you plan to serve with this project and your organization's role in the community.

Number Served

Approximately how many people will be served by your work?

Results/ Impact

Please provide the 1-2 primary results you are trying to achieve.

Activities

List up to three specific activities that you will do to achieve the results and positive community impact you desire.

Partnerships and Collaboration

List any organizations that you will partner with to make this project successful. Include a brief description of each partner organizations and their role in this project.

Dawnland Fund Grant Criteria

Explain how your organization or project meets the Dawnland fund grant program criteria. Please describe to the selection committee how your project meets the following criteria. These criteria include: 1) Funding must serve tribal communities/people; 2) Funding must be used for projects and events, not to be used for operating support; 3) Funding must be used for innovative projects that address needs in indigenous communities; 4) Funding must be used for seed money (to begin a project, that can sprout into something during the first year and that can bloom into something bigger for the community/group), *not to be used for ongoing projects or programs*; 5) Proposals must be community driven.

Has this program been tried before? If yes, please explain.

How the idea for this program come to be?

Project Timing

Identify the start and end dates of the activities you plan to fund with a Dawnland Fund grant. Please note that grants may take up to six weeks to process. These grants cannot be used to pay for any expenses that occur before the grant is awarded. We recommend only requesting funding for project expenses that occur six weeks after grant application submission.

Starting Date (mo/year)

Ending Date (mo/year)

Project Budget

Please list the specific items or expenses needed for your project under Expense Items. For each item, list the amount you request from Gedakina in **Amount from Dawnland**. List the amount you will need from other sources in **Amount from Other Sources** (if that applies). Important things to consider: Your detailed project budget must account for all of the funding you are requesting from Gedakina with this application. You can list up to 8 items in the budget. If you have more than 8 you can combine like items into categories (Example: project materials and supplies or volunteer and staff management)

Expense Items	Amount from Dawnland Fund	Amount from Other Sources

Board Members or Advisory Committee

If applicable, provide an attached list of the members of the governing body of your organization and their place of residence. Otherwise, please provide the names and contact information of persons involved in the project.

Final Reporting

Please provide a short narrative along with photos and videos 30 days prior to the end of your grant term. These should be submitted to the Dawnland Fund coordinator.

Additional Information

If this project is a collaborative between organizations, letters of collaborations are needed and should be attached to your application.

Signature

By signing or typing my name in the following space, I certify that all information is accurate to the best of my knowledge and ability:

Date:

Check all which apply:

- Authorized Representative of a charitable organization
- Member of the Board of Directors of a charitable organization
- Individual / Project Lead
- Other: _____

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