



Potlatch Fund

To inspire and build upon the Native tradition of giving and to expand philanthropy within Tribal Nations and in the Northwest



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Potlatch Fund 2011 Grant Cycle Update



Fund
Grants in Action

Potlatch Fund has been re-granting since 2005, and in 2011 we are on track to pass the One Million Dollar mark in grants extended to Tribes, Native projects, Native nonprofits and Native artists.

Our InterTribal Canoe Journey Grant Cycle closed on Friday, March 18. This year we received 21 application requesting \$48,200 in funding for safety equipment, supplies and general support. Native youth reviewed the applications and prepared a preliminary Docket, for Board review, of \$41,000. This is our most successful Docket to date, and we will release details regarding funding and awards in our next update!

The Community Building Grant Cycle closed on Friday, April 15. For 2011, Potlatch Fund received 30 applications and our budget for 2011 is \$100,000. Community members will review the applications and send recommendations to the Board for review at the June Board Meeting. Details will be released later that month.

InterTribal Canoe Journey Final Landing at Swinomish - July 25, 2011



A puller's view of the 2010 landing at Makah.

Please join Potlatch Fund for a day long excursion of culture and history as we make our way to the Swinomish Reservation to watch the final landing of [Paddle to Swinomish 2011](#). This annual event gives Native youth positive experiences and teachings they will carry throughout their lives.

The InterTribal Canoe Journey is an important multi-generational cultural renaissance event within Tribal Communities of Washington, Oregon and beyond. The canoes are drug and alcohol

[RSVP](#)

Monday, July 18, 2011

Washington, Oregon and beyond. The classes are drug and alcohol free, follow traditional protocol, instill a sense of Native pride, incorporate language and environmental teachings, provide leadership training, and have a youth based element.

All Day Event - Monday, July 25, 2011



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2011 Leadership Award
[Nominations Now Open](#)

2011 Leadership Award Nominations [Close May 13](#)

In 2005, Potlatch Fund launched its Honoring Leadership Awards. Named after five outstanding leaders, the awards seek to acknowledge leaders in Northwest Indian Country ([Read More](#)). Potlatch Fund is now accepting nominations for 2011. A link to the application can be found to the left, so take time today to nominate people who are making a difference in your community. The 2011 Award recipients will be honored at our Ninth Annual Gala, Saturday, November 19, 2011 at the Grand Hyatt Seattle.

Investing in Native Communities

Our vision is to strengthen emerging leaders, Tribal leaders and Native nonprofits to develop the best strategies in nonprofit and Tribal management. Potlatch Fund helps these organizations and programs be able to competitively apply for philanthropic resources.

Building the capacity of communities is our priority. In essence, we share the knowledge and tools that help communities become masters of their own destinies.



Quickly schedule monthly donations with [Network for Good](#) that fit your budget.

Your support of Potlatch Fund will provide support to Native projects making a difference in Northwest Indian Country.

Potlatch Fund travels extensively throughout the Northwest, training clients in fundraising, financial management, governance, strategic planning, media management and other areas of nonprofit management.

In the same spirit, we nurture promising young Native professionals by providing leadership training. These leaders return to their communities both to give back and to lead these efforts into the 21st Century.

Building capacity within communities. [Become a supporter of Potlatch Fund today, and make a difference for generations to come.](#)

Training Schedule (visit our [website](#) for complete details)

- May 16, 18 - Coeur d'Alene, ID **Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians Conference**
- May 18, 19 - Coeur d'Alene, ID **Board Governance**
- May 24, 25 - Seattle, WA **National Tribal CASA Workshop**
- May 26, 27 - Seattle, WA **Introduction to Financial Management**

- June 8, 9 - Warm Springs, OR **Media Management**
- June 13, 14 - Usk, WA **Journey to Successful Fundraising**
- June 15, 16 - Usk, WA **Tribal CASA Capacity Building Training**
- July 5, 6 - Seattle, WA **Nonprofit Startup**
- August 4, 5 - Yakima, WA **Journey to Successful Fundraising**

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