

Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions Education Grants Program

Purpose

The Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian (ANNH)-Serving Institutions Education grants program promotes and strengthens the ability of ANNH-serving institutions to carry out education, applied research, and related community development programs in the food and agricultural sciences. The long-term intended outcome of this grant program for ANNH institutions is to help attract, retain, and graduate Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian students to enhance the nation's food and agricultural scientific and professional workforce.

Awards

To date, approximately \$2,997,000 annually has been available to fund applications, match-free. Awards have ranged from approximately \$100,000 to \$450,000 for individual applications and approximately \$300,000 to \$1,350,000 for consortium applications. There is no commitment by USDA to fund any particular application or to make a specific number of awards. Award duration is 1 to 5 years.

Who May Apply

Projects may involve individual institutions, consortia, or cooperative initiatives between two or more ANNH institutions, or with other 2- and/or 4-year colleges or universities, units of government, or the private sector. Individual public or private, individual branches of a state university system or public system of higher education that satisfy the definitions of an Alaska Native-Serving or Native Hawaiian-Serving Institution established under Title III, Part A of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (20 U.S.C. 1059d.), are eligible institutions under this program.

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Impacts

- enabled community agribusinesses to provide on-the-job training for students;
- increased integrated and multi-disciplinary partnerships within the state institutions and the private sector;



- increased production and marketing of locally-grown ingredients for healthier food products;
- increased student participation in 2-year and 4-year degree programs and employment in food and agricultural science jobs;
- increased enrollment of students in 19 institutions;
- enabled institutions to obtain needed materials and professional personnel
- facilitated growing partnerships between Alaska and Hawaiian eligible institutions;
- facilitated increased networking with community organizations, Federal and state governments, K-12, 2-year and 4-year institutions;
- increased production of published materials about the food and agricultural sciences from these institutions;
- distributed over \$12 million to deserving programs.

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