US EPA Region 9 General Assistance Program
Funding Opportunity

Administration of the Region-wide Tribal Travel Program Fund

The intent of the Tribal Travel Program is to provide GAP funding to those tribal representatives attending EPA-approved meetings, training courses, and to provide educational outreach to tribes. This funding allows the participation of tribal representatives at environmental workshops, training, caucuses, and other environmental capacity building functions they would otherwise be unable to attend due to lack of travel resources.

Role of Recipient:
The recipient will fund travel requests and process reimbursements that will allow eligible individuals to attend and participate in meetings, training, and other events that will develop tribal capacity.

Some Administrative Duties Include:
Disseminate information to tribes and the Agency as appropriate; provide guidance to tribes at Regional Tribal Operations Committee (RTOC) meetings regarding procedures; coordinate with the Agency to obtain approval for requests from tribes; process travel reimbursement requests; and provide the Agency with quarterly summaries of reimbursements. The estimated funding amount is based on availability of funds. Previous award amounts have ranged from $70,000 to $150,000. For additional information please contact your GAP grant project officer.

If you are interested, please submit your letter of intent by February 3, 2012 to:
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