

Partnership for Sustainable Communities



**19TH ANNUAL TRIBAL EPA CONFERENCE
PALA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS**

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“We’re working to change the way government works, and that means investing tax dollars wisely and well. We want to make sure that when we’re building infrastructure, we’re considering how housing, transportation, and the environment all impact each other.”

-- President Barack Obama,
October 21, 2010



Federal Partnership for Sustainable Communities



Economic
Competitiveness

Existing
Communities

Transportation
Choices

Equitable
Affordable
Housing

Coordinate and
Leverage

Value
Communities

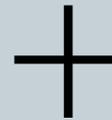


Livability Principles

Rural Implementation Group



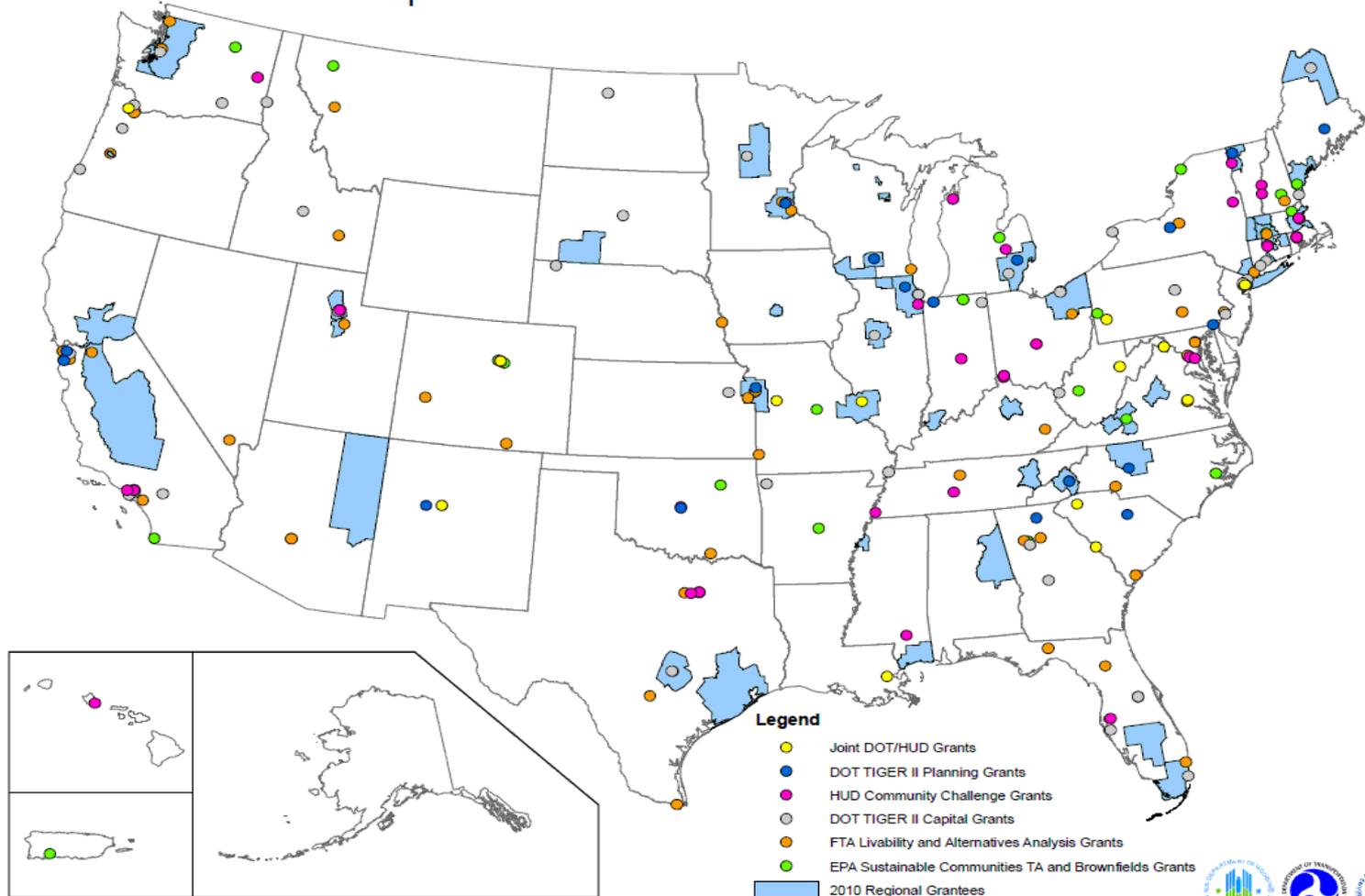
- Policy Framework: *Supporting Sustainable Rural Communities*
- Funding (\$): *Leveraging the Partnership for Rural Communities*
- Capacity Building: *Focus on tribal grantees and cross-grantee learning*



Partnership Grantees



Partnership for Sustainable Communities 2010 Grantees





Adopted
International Green
Construction Code

N.A.T.I.V.E.
campus built to
IGCC

Developing a
Smart Growth Plan

Regional
Transportation
Planning



Kayenta Township



Local Economic
Development

Aerated concrete block

High insulation value

90 Navajo Housing
Authority homes

15 Ak-Chin Housing
Authority Homes



Navajo FlexCrete



Developing
tribal green
building codes

Establishing
“Regional
Review Boards”

Building
culturally
inspired straw
bale housing



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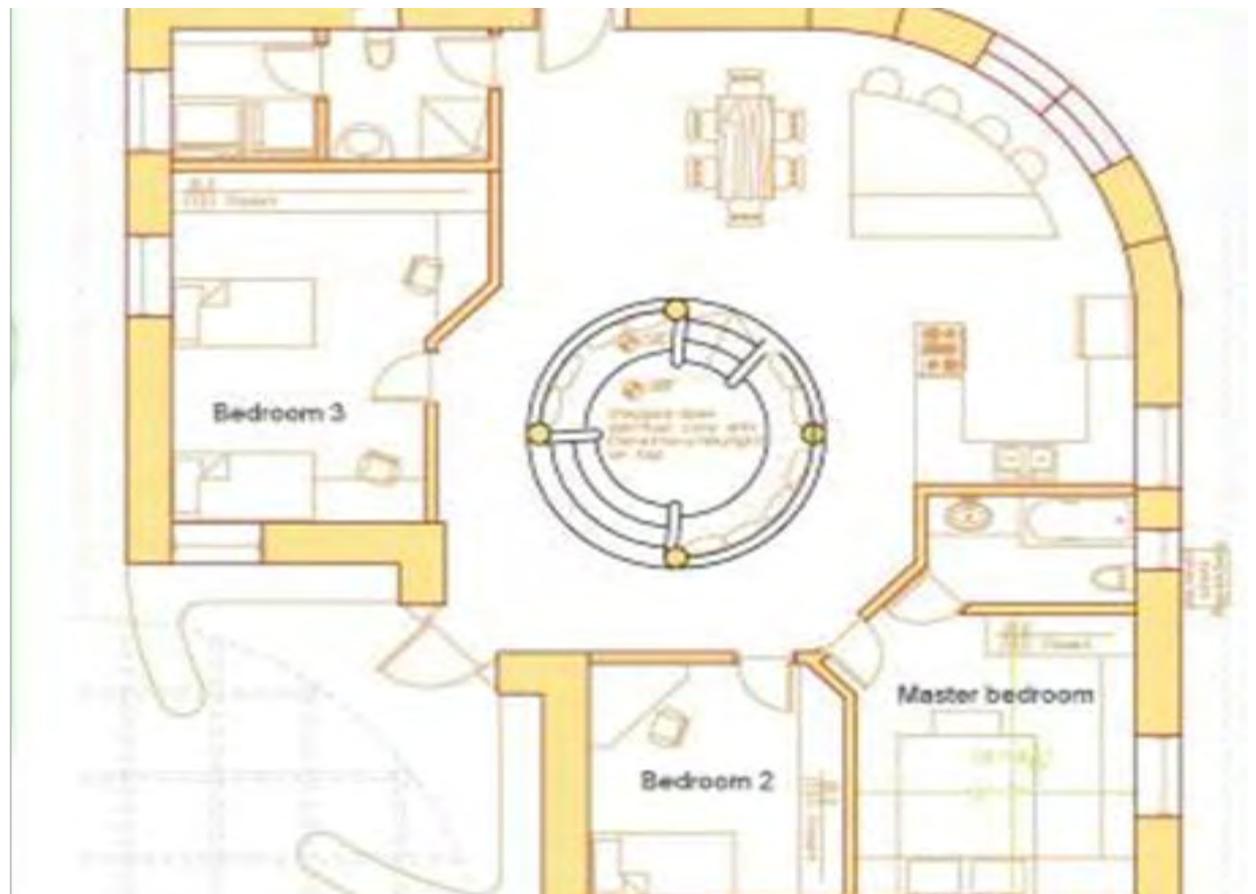
Large kitchens

East-facing windows

Rounded forms consistent with tradition

Outdoor gathering areas

No financial hardship

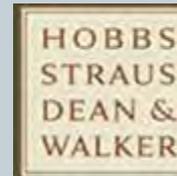
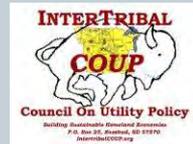


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Tribal Green Building Codes Work Group



- Tribes, NGOs, Federal Agencies



CCHRC

Sustain.
Dev. Inst.

Sustain.
Nations

Weatherization + Healthy Homes



- Healthy Homes + Energy Efficiency
- HUD -DOE- EPA Initiative

HUD Sustainable Construction in Indian Country



- Congressionally mandated initiative, completed May 2013
- Review of existing HUD programs
- HUDuser.org

GOALS

1. Identify barriers and opportunities
2. Conduct demonstrations
3. Make training available

HUD Grant Programs for Tribes



- Rural Innovations Funds
- Indian Community Development Block Grant
- Healthy Homes and Lead Technical Studies
- Healthy Homes Demonstration
- Lead Hazard Control Program

HUD Guidance



- **HUD PIH Notice 2008-25**
Renewable Energy and Green Construction Practices in Public Housing
- Encourages:
 - solar, wind, other renewables
 - green construction and rehab techniques

EPA Resources & Information Sharing



- Smart Growth Implementation Assistance
- Sustainable Communities Building Blocks
- New Partners for Smart Growth Conference

Thank you!

