



**THE CENTER**  
at Sierra Health Foundation

**Medication Assisted Treatment  
Tribal and Urban Indian Community-Defined Best Practices  
2023-2024 Funding Awards**

**American Indian Health & Services, Inc.**

**Santa Barbra County**

**\$155,000.00**

To establish a Cultural Integration Team that will promote and facilitate traditional healing practices and intergenerational learning to foster engagement in SUD treatment programs in Santa Barbara County.

**Big Valley Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians**

**Lake County**

**\$145,540.00**

To provide and facilitate cultural healing activities for established SUD recovery groups while also supporting patients in participating in traditional practices and ceremonies in Lake County.

**California Heritage: Indigenous Research Project**

**Nevada County**

**\$154,076.00**

To establish a culturally appropriate resiliency program that will blend traditional healing practices with conventional substance use prevention, treatment and recovery services to engage individuals in services in Nevada County.

**Crossroads Recovery Center**

**Inyo County**

**\$151,392.00**

To bring together SUD providers, PWUD and tribal leadership to form a coalition that will expand SUD services by blending traditional healing practices with MAT services and strengthen pathways of recovery and healing in Inyo and Mono counties.

**Fresno American Indian Health Project**

**Fresno County**

**\$154,000.00**

To structurally integrate traditional healing practices into MAT and SUD services such as Sacred Circles and Wellbriety Sessions in Fresno County, while adding additional staff capacity through Peer Support Specialists and incorporating cultural staff in the substance use workgroup.

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**Indigenous Regeneration****San Diego County****\$153,500.00**

To implement a wellness equity initiative that seeks to transform the clinical approach at Indian Health Council and introduce new culturally based support services for their SUD programs, while using the platform [theyumans.com](http://theyumans.com) to establish a clinical crossover with cultural connection survey to see how participants were impacted in San Diego County.

**Inner-Tribal Treatment****San Diego County****\$154,026.00**

To assemble a Cultural Integration Team who will consult and aid in the facilitation of cultural activities such as language immersion, Wellbriety, bird singing, Talking Circles and Sweat Lodge Ceremony to support SUD recovery programs in San Diego County.

**Kee Cha E. Nar Corporation****Del Norte County****\$155,000.00**

To integrate Yurok tribal culture into all tribal SUD prevention, treatment and recovery supports in Humboldt and Del Norte counties by developing an herbal guidebook, coordinating cultural activities, providing training for service providers to strengthen cultural referral systems, and offering connections to ceremony and traditional healing modalities.

**K'ima:w Medical Center****Humboldt County****\$151,844.00**

To strengthen MAT services and provide holistic SUD care through the integration of cultural practices and workshops and provide community education through a Tribal Fentanyl Summit in Humboldt County.

**Mathiesen Memorial Health Clinic****Tuolumne County****\$155,000.00**

To expand MAT services at the Red Feather Clinic in Tuolumne County by hiring additional staff and incorporating traditional practices such as drumming and counseling services geared to culturally relevant forms of healing.

**Native American Health Center, Inc.****Alameda County****\$150,000.00**

To establish the Medicine Wheels culture-based skateboarding intervention to prevent and address OUD and SUD among Bay Area Native youth and their families in Alameda County, by incorporating core components of the GONA curriculum and with bi-directional referrals to and from behavioral health services.

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**Native Dads Network, Inc.**

**Sacramento County**

**\$155,000.00**

To support communities in Sacramento County to heal through reconnection with traditional practices and beliefs and by providing culturally rooted services that strengthen protective factors and increase resiliency through Wellness Tours that will train MAT providers and provide tribal SUD prevention education and outreach.

**Native Directions, Inc.**

**San Joaquin County**

**\$154,000.00**

To identify cultural practices with tribal communities and tribal leadership and determine ways to integrate and enhance SUD treatment programs and provide cultural context in San Joaquin County.

**Native Health in Native Hands**

**Humboldt County**

**\$143,060.00**

To work closely with local tribal SUD treatment programs and provide community events centered on outdoor, culturally relevant and engaging activities to strengthen ancestral bonds and connections with land and water in Humboldt County.

**Northern California Indian Development Council, Inc.**

**Humboldt County**

**\$155,000.00**

To identify points in SUD treatment and recovery programs for cultural practice integration including referrals to Red Road/Wellbriety groups, while also establishing and facilitating in person and virtual Red Road groups in Humboldt County.

**Quartz Valley Indian Reservation**

**Siskiyou County**

**\$150,676.00**

To strengthen SUD services such as MAT referrals, coordination and recovery supports by facilitating cultural and language classes within the community, capturing elder storytelling and creating a digital library to preserve sacred traditional knowledge for the current and future generations in Siskiyou County.

**Sacred Path Indigenous Wellness Center**

**Los Angeles County**

**\$153,656.00**

To implement the Native American Drum, Dance and Regalia program along with a social network visualization and 8-week Strengthening our Spirit curriculum in the behavioral prevention and treatment program in Los Angeles County as a way of reducing mental health issues, substance use, and enhancing cultural identity and strengthening connections.

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**Sonoma County Indian Health Project, Inc.**

**Sonoma County**

**\$150,739.00**

To increase staffing capacity to continue to provide culturally relevant and client-centered SUD treatment, particularly around community outreach to improve MAT services and encourage positive treatment outcomes and long-term recovery in Sonoma County.

**Southern Indian Health Council, Inc.**

**San Diego County**

**\$155,000.00**

To identify cultural preferences for the ongoing MAT program and collaborate with language providers, sweat leaders, fire keepers, elders, singers and community members to define, plan and implement community best practices for positive treatment and recovery outcomes in San Diego County.

**The Friendship House Association of American Indians**

**San Francisco County**

**\$154,000.00**

To continue the implementation and integration of the Community-Defined Evidence Practices program as a culturally based model for providing MAT and SUD treatment and recovery services in the residential SUD program, and training of clinical staff in San Francisco County.

**Toiyabe Indian Health Project**

**Inyo County**

**\$124,025.00**

To improve MAT Wellness and Recovery services by expanding the Traditional Healing Library, supporting local and traditional healers, and offering community education and outreach in Inyo County.

**Two Feathers Native American Family Health Services**

**Humboldt County**

**\$154,000.00**

To establish a Wellness Village to identify and implement an effective, culturally based youth substance use program for Native young people, and strengthen youth leadership skills and substance use knowledge in Humboldt County.

**Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians**

**San Diego County**

**\$154,820.00**

To support Kumeyaay cultural practitioners and develop an implementation plan to integrate traditional healing activities into MAT partner, Southern Indian Health Council, SUD programming and services in San Diego County.

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