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Grants Available for Early Childhood Programming

The White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council currently has three Requests for Grant Applications available. The first is for Early Literacy programs, the second is for implementation of Oral Health dental varnish application and the third is for Parent Coaching programs. If you are interested in applying for either of these grants, please read the Fact Sheet information provided and visit the following website for application information:

[HTTP://AZFTF.GOV/WHATWEDO/FUNDING/PAGES/REGIONALGRANTS.ASPX](http://azftf.gov/whatwedo/funding/pages/regionalgrants.aspx)

REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATION

White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council -Oral Health-Dental Varnish Application

RFGA Number	FTF-RC028-11-0285-00
RFGA Dates	Open: Wednesday, April 07, 2010 12:00 AM Arizona MST Close: Wednesday, May 19, 2010 2:00 PM Arizona MST
Pre-Application Conference Date	Wednesday, April 28, 2010 10:30 AM Arizona MST Whiteriver Unified School District 936 S. Chief Avenue, Whiteriver, AZ, 85941
Description	The American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) recognizes that tooth decay is a common, complex, chronic disease resulting from an imbalance of multiple risk factors and protective factors over time. To decrease the risk

of developing caries (tooth decay) a potentially devastating infectious disease, the AAPD encourages professional and preventive measures by families of young children.

Fluoride varnishes are a proven intervention for reducing the incidence of dental caries (tooth decay) in young children. Oral health screenings and subsequent referrals to dental coverage and treatment are also effective ways of addressing dental needs cost effectively. The effectiveness of fluoride varnish when applied to young children is a proven intervention when properly applied to reduce the incidence of dental caries (tooth decay) in young children.

The White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council identified a need for the following strategies:

- Reduce dental disease among children ages six months through five years by providing dental varnish and nutrition/health information
- Inform parents about the importance of preventive oral health care for children ages birth through five, and conduct outreach to connect families to preventive oral health care treatments
- Increase delivery of oral health screenings, apply fluoride applications (varnish), and refer families for oral health care
- Encourage families to seek preventive oral health care for children birth through age five, and instill positive oral health habits among young children

REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATION

White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council - Early Literacy

RFGA Number	FTF-RC028-11-0287-00
RFGA Dates	Open: Wednesday, April 07, 2010 12:00 AM Arizona MST Close: Wednesday, May 19, 2010 2:00 PM Arizona MST

**Pre-Application
Conference Date**

Wednesday, April 28, 2010 9:00 AM Arizona MST
Whiteriver Unified School District
936 S. Chief Ave, Whiteriver, AZ, 85941

Description

The White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council has identified the need for regional implementation of strategies to expand the capacity of existing early language and literacy programs or create new early literacy and language programs to provide literacy development supports and services to young children and their families in their communities.

It is expected that literacy programs funded by First Things First will offer a comprehensive program to the families they serve and that all elements from the stated Standards of Practice be incorporated into the proposed service. Successful implementation will include a focus on connecting literacy support and development efforts to families where they spend time, such as child care centers, public spaces, doctors' offices, community centers, libraries, etc. Applicants must demonstrate knowledge of adult learning principles. The intensity of this model is typically less intense than services provided in a home setting, however it is expected that this service is not a one-time only event for families.

Family participation in family literacy services will be voluntary and must be provided free of charge to the family. Programs should make accommodations and adaptations for children and adults with special needs or disabilities. This funding is intended to allow existing literacy development programs to expand their services, allowing them to expand to target populations they do not currently serve, including the delivery of services to un-served or underserved geographic areas, and/or to establish new programs that provide services across communities. Programs funded through this grant opportunity must use a curriculum that is evidence/research-based and founded on proven literacy development practices in addition to being culturally and linguistically relevant to the community served.

REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATION

White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council - Parent Coaching for Children At-Risk for Developmental Delay

RFGA Number

FTF-RC028-11-0286-00

RFGA Dates	Open: Wednesday, April 07, 2010 12:00 AM Arizona MST Close: Wednesday, May 19, 2010 2:00 PM Arizona MST
Pre-Application Conference Date	Wednesday, April 28, 2010 1:00 PM Arizona MST Whiteriver Unified School District 936 S Chief Avenue, Whiteriver, AZ, 85941
Description	The strategy will provide a comprehensive Parent Coaching System with the first component to include ongoing, in-home, individualized supports to parents/guardians whose child has been screened and/or evaluated but does not meet the criteria for intervention services. The second component of the strategy will seek to bring parents/guardians of children at-risk for developmental delay out of isolation and provide a system of social supports and networking opportunities through interactive group coaching activities. This second component will be built upon in subsequent years with the incorporation of a peer mentoring program beginning in year SFY 2012. By targeting families of children at-risk for developmental delay, the strategy seeks to fill an existing gap in service delivery while being able to change cultural norms and bring families out of social isolation.

QUESTIONS?

All questions must be submitted in writing and include **RFGA NUMBER** in the subject line of the email or on the cover sheet of the fax.

Questions should be submitted to the Grants and Contracts Procurement Specialist via email at grants@azftf.gov or via fax at (602) 265-0009.