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A truck drives down the James Dalton Highway (aka Haul Road), Alaska, USA, north of the Arctic Circle, on a stormy day. Photo by Alamy https://www.sciencefocus.com/planet-earth/most-dangerous-roads-in-the-world?

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Made famous by the television show 'Ice Road Truckers', the **James Dalton Highway** is a long stretch of road that links the city of Fairbanks to the northern community of Deadhorse, above the Arctic Circle. This 666km stretch of road is named after an Alaskan engineer and serves as the main route for trucks transporting fuel and supplies to oil field workers. Only one-third of the road is paved, the rest comprising loose gravel and stones. Adverse weather conditions such as snow and ice are the main dangers people encounter on this road. However, the isolation and presence of <u>polar bears</u> along the way also add to the risk factors.

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AmeriCorps Announces FY 2025 State & National Competitive Grants

AmeriCorps has announced the availability of FY 2025 AmeriCorps State and National Competitive Grants. These grants are designed to support organizations that engage AmeriCorps members in meaningful service projects aimed at strengthening communities. Eligible organizations can apply for funding to involve members in evidence-based interventions that improve lives, promote civic engagement, and address some of the nation's most pressing challenges.

Application deadline: Thursday, January 23, 2025, by 5:00 p.m. ET.

The Agriculture and Food Research Initiative – Education and Workforce Development

The Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Education and Workforce Development (EWD) focuses on developing the next generation of research, education, and extension professionals in the food and agricultural sciences.

Application deadline: Thursday, December 5, 2024, by 5:00 p.m. ET.

American-Made TCU Energy and Food Sovereignty Nexus Prize—\$4.1 Million

The Office of Indian Energy today announced a combined total of over \$9 million in funding and prizes to support Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs) in their efforts to advance clean energy projects and bolster food sovereignty initiatives on their campuses. These investments underscore DOE's commitment to partnering with Native communities to promote energy independence and sustainability, as well as develop the next generation of Tribal clean energy leaders.

Application deadline - phase 1 prize: Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. ET.

Tribal Colleges and Universities Planning For Clean Energy Transition

In addition to the prize competition, today DOE announced <u>\$5 million in funding</u> to support TCUs in planning the transition of their campuses to clean energy. The funds will enable TCUs to develop plans for integrating clean, reliable, affordable, and local energy solutions on their campuses.

Application deadline: Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. ET.

National Opportunities

Education, Community, and Equity Initiatives Funded

The GEICO Philanthropic Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that provide programs and resources to help strengthen diverse communities across the United States.

Grants Promote Arts Engagement for Military Communities

The Creative Forces Community Engagement Grant seeks to improve the health, well-being, and quality of life for military service members and veterans exposed to trauma, as well as their families and caregivers, through arts-based community engagement projects.

Support Available for Breast Health Education and Outreach Programs

The American Society of Breast Surgeons Foundation grant program seeks to improve the standard of care for breast disease patients.

Funds Advance Social Justice Organizing in the U.S., Mexico, and Haiti

The Peace Development Fund believes that the change in values needed to establish a more just and peaceful world can come about only if it is strongly rooted in local communities that value the importance of building movements to create systemic social change.

Regional Opportunities

Grants Enhance Services for the Elderly in Texas

The Isla Carroll Turner Friendship Trust supports nonprofit organizations throughout the state of Texas that provide services to the elderly.

Maternal and Infant Health Projects Supported in Michigan

The Michigan Health Endowment Fund's Maternal and Infant Health Initiative seeks proposals for community-driven and locally focused projects that improve health outcomes for pregnant individuals and their infants in Michigan.

Funding Improves Quality of Life for Connecticut Residents

Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority provides support in Connecticut to expand educational opportunities for students and enhance the quality of life for residents, including those in distressed communities.

Capital and Program Grants Benefit Alaskan Communities

Rasmuson Foundation provides support to Alaska-based nonprofits, tribes, and state and local government entities actively serving Alaskans.

Federal Opportunities

Support Helps Native American Libraries

The Native American Library Services Basic Grants program assists Native American tribes in establishing, sustaining, and improving library services and operations within their communities.

Forest Protection Efforts Funded

The Community Forest and Open Space Conservation Program supports the acquisition of private forest land that is threatened by conversion and that provides community benefits including economic, environmental, educational, and recreational benefits.

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#### **Save The Music Foundation**

The mission of the Save The Music Foundation is to help students, schools, and communities reach their full potential through the power of making music. Save The Music partners with public school districts nationwide to provide grants in the form of new musical instruments, technology, equipment, and resources for music teachers and school leaders. <u>Learn more</u> about the funding guidelines and application process.

<u>The US Dept of Transportation Tribal Transit Program</u> (due November 13, 2024) supports planning, capital, and operating assistance for tribal public transit services in rural areas.

Sierra Jobs First Region Request for Proposals Catalyst Program (due December 15, 2024). Sierra Business Council, (SBC) is the convener and fiscal agent for the Sierra Jobs First Region of the California Jobs First program which includes the counties of Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Inyo, Mariposa, Mono, and Tuolumne. The Catalyst Fund program is designed to fund pre-development activities that will lead to projects that meet the Sierra Jobs First objectives of equity, sustainability, job quality and access, economic competitiveness, and economic resilience. **Please note** — Sierra Business Council plans to release another RFP under this program with funding earmarked specifically for Tribes in early 2025 — stay tuned, we will announce that here when it is released.

<u>Indian Land Tenure Foundation Cultural Awareness Grants</u> (rolling) fund projects that maintain strong cultural and spiritual ties to the land to preserve traditional practices and Native American religious beliefs for future generations.

# The World's Biggest Maker of EVs Has the Worst Appraisal of Human Rights

#### BY CARLTON REID | 7-MINUTE READ

Amnesty International has issued a report charting the supply chains and human rights due diligence policies of 13 major EV manufacturers. The results are a world away from the clean, safe future that electric vehicles promise.

During Native American Heritage Month, we honor the traditions and resiliency of Indigenous cultures. From the Cree of the Great Plains to the Chinantec of Oaxaca, these communities have endured and kept their culinary traditions alive in spite of centuries of oppression.

To taste both the past and future of North America's original food, look no further than these restaurants, where indigenous chefs celebrate their history, their communities, and their land. Here are 19 places that serve indigenous cuisine, across the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

Editor's note: This piece originally ran on October 12, 2020. It was updated, with the addition of more restaurants, on November 12, 2021.

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1 Albuquerque, New Mexico Indian Pueblo Kitchen

<u>Eat like pre-Columbian Native Americans in this New Mexico restaurant within the Indian</u> Pueblo Cultural Center.



2 Tlalixtac de Cabrera, Mexico Caldo de Piedra

Fiery-hot river rocks make soup sizzle at this restaurant showcasing indigenous Chinantec cuisine.



3 Saskatoon, Saskatchewan Wanuskewin

Sample cuisine inspired by the Great Plains indigenous people who have been gathering at this sacred Canadian Heritage Park for 6,000 years.



4 Taos, New Mexico Tiwa Kitchen

Taos Pueblo recipes, foraged ingredients, and outdoor ovens define the menu at this eatery.



5 Minneapolis, Minnesota Gatherings Cafe

An eatery within the Minneapolis American Indian Center writes colonial ingredients out of the story of Native American cuisine.



▲ 6 Calgary, Alberta Little Chief

At a hotel on Tsuut'ina Nation land, an Indigenous chef serves up smoked bison poutine and other fusion favorites.



7 Tucson, Arizona San Xavier Co-op Farm

Run by members of the Tohono O'odham Nation, this community farm nurtures traditional desert cultivars.



8 Washington, D.C. Mitsitam Native Foods Cafe

A museum cafe showcases Native American dishes and indigenous ingredients from across the Western Hemisphere.



9 Oaxaca, Mexico La Pozontlería

One of the city's few vendors selling the Sierra Norte's ancestral beverage lies within a hidden farmers market.



10 Phoenix, Arizona Fry Bread House

Founded by members of the Tohono O'odham Nation, this one-room joint's James Beard—winning fry bread is light as a cloud.



11 Minneapolis, Minnesota Owamni

The dishes at this restaurant by The Sioux Chef celebrate indigenous heritage.



12 Ohsweken, Ontario Yawékon by Chef Tawnya Brant

This Haudenosaunee restaurant is a delicious tribute to indigenous cuisine.



■ 13 Sioux Falls, South Dakota Watecha Bowl

<u>Chef Lawrence West serves up Indian tacos, wojapi, and other Lakota dishes at the brick-and-mortar incarnation of his popular food truck.</u>



14 Berkeley, California Cafe Ohlone

Once tucked behind a Berkeley bookstore, this pop-up was founded by two members of the local Ohlone tribe. It's temporarily closed as it moves into its new home. The cafe should reopen by the end of the year.



15 Quapaw, Oklahoma Red Oak Steakhouse

The Quapaw tribe supplies the meat and produce in this Oklahoma casino restaurant.



16 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Thirty Nine

Named for the 39 tribes that live in Oklahoma, this restaurant's menu deliciously highlights local flavors.



17 Seattle, Washington Off the Rez Cafe

Where else would a linchpin of post-colonial Native American cuisine anchor the menu but a museum?



18 Portland, Oregon Bison Coffeehouse

This café is dedicated to serving coffee roasted by Native American-owned companies.



19 Oakland, California Wahpepah's Kitchen

This restaurant features Native American foods from across the country.

### **Brooke Rollins is Trump's pick for Agriculture secretary**



President-elect Donald Trump said Saturday that Brooke L. Rollins, the CEO of the America First Policy Institute and a senior aide during his first administration, was his choice to become Agriculture secretary. Read more...

#### From the American Indian College Fund:

Now three quarters through Native American Heritage Month, we invite you to experience the powerful stories of <u>Native creators through film and television</u>. Watching movies and shows by Native filmmakers and storytellers is a meaningful way to connect with Indigenous perspectives while uplifting underrepresented voices in the entertainment industry.



At a time when diverse viewpoints are crucial to shaping our shared culture, each of these productions stands as a testament to the power of Indigenous storytelling. At last, we can binge-watch for good - exploring these works not only honors Native heritage but also ensures these vital voices are seen and heard!

Thank you for joining us in celebrating and elevating Native voices this month and beyond.

<u>Let's Binge!</u>

**The Metacognition Revolution -** AI is Playing a Central Role in Reshaping How We Learn

As the dust settled, a more nuanced and exciting possibility emerged: AI as a powerful tool to enhance students' metacognition—the ability to think about one's own thinking processes.

https://www.theatlantic.com/sponsored/google-2023/metacognition-revolution/3924/? sr\_source=facebook&sr\_lift=true

#### From NARF:



"Native Peoples in the U.S. have long relied on Tribal sovereignty, treaties, and religious freedom law to protect sacred places. What we're finding is sacred place protection needs rethinking in courts, and we're re-envisioning that process and underlying policies." – NARF Staff Attorney Brett Lee Shelton

This Native American Heritage month and through the end of the year, we will highlight the ongoing work to protect sacred places.



#### **Supporting Class of 2025**

Native families may need to advocate to be able to wear cultural items at graduation ceremonies. The time to start that discussion with your school is now!

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#### **Exit poll inaccuracies on Native votes**

Flaws in exit polls created an inaccurate representation of Native voter perspectives in the 2024 U.S. election.

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#### Fair map increased representation

Voters in North Dakota's District 9 elected three Native voter candidates of choice to the State Senate and House in 2024.

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This coming summer, Hawai'i Preparatory Academy, Yale University and Northwestern University will graciously welcome our students to their campuses. The College Horizons team will serve 300 high school students - we encourage you to share our flyer with your students, relatives and community members.

For more information on eligibility and application updates, please visit https://collegehorizons.org/apply or subscribe to our newsletter.

The College Horizons 2025 Student Application is NOW LIVE! Start the application today.



The 2025 CH Student Application opens on Friday, November 1, 2024.

**Application Deadline: January 29, 2025.** 

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