

Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants

Tribes and Intertribal Consortia Fact Sheet

Forest County Potawatomi Community

Selected Grant Recipient

Name: Forest County Potawatomi Community

Project Location: Crandon, WI

Project Title: FCPC's Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grant Project

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 5

Highlights

- Creates a full-time recycling coordinator job.
- Promotes recycling education and awareness.
- Enables at least 40 Tribal households to compost at home.

Grant Funding: \$555,565

The Forest County Potawatomi Community will expand solid waste collection and recycling infrastructure, increase capacity, and promote recycling education and awareness. The Tribe will achieve these objectives by purchasing new recycling collection and transportation vehicles, recycling bins for Tribal government buildings, and in-home recycling and composting collection and storage bins for Tribal households. The Tribe will also conduct community-wide and household outreach and school-oriented recycling education events. These activities will serve to expand existing infrastructure and increase community awareness of recycling best practices and opportunities.

SWIFR Grants to Tribes and Intertribal Consortia

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding supports improvements to waste management systems and programs, allowing resources to be used more efficiently and reducing the impact on the climate. SWIFR Tribal grant funding can be used to develop or update post-consumer materials management plans; establish or optimize collection and management of materials; fund infrastructure, technology, or other improvements to reduce contamination; enhance markets for recycled commodities; and increase the diversion, recycling rate, and quality of materials collected. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain federal investments flow to communities that have historically been underserved and overburdened by pollution.

EPA will make the award to Forest County Potawatomi Community once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

