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Media Release

California Indian Manpower Consortium, Inc. awarded Career Pathways for Youth Grant

Sacramento, California, June 2016 - The US Department of Labor recently announced Summer Jobs and Beyond: Career Pathways for Youth grant awards to launch and expand innovative approaches that provide young people with summer and year-round jobs and connect them to long-term career pathways.

California Indian Manpower Consortium, Inc. has been identified as one of the two-year, \$2,000,000 grant recipients and plans to launch the Career Pathways for Youth Project to provide employment-related services to eligible Native American youth with limited or no work experience. Online "Condor Courses" will provide training in digital skills, financial education, soft skills, and workforce essentials. Project activities will be available to Native American youth, ages 16-24, with limited or no work experience, and reside in the project's service area. The Project will operate throughout all CIMC's service area (served by all the California field offices and the Chicago Based Operations service area). CIMC will be partnering with other workforce agencies, human service agencies, local education institutions, employers and other community-based organizations

The California Indian Manpower Consortium, Inc. is a nonprofit organization, created in 1978, with the purposes of offering training, employment and other activities designed to meet the employment and training needs of Indian and Native American people; promoting community self-help programs and providing direct services to assist the American Indian population to become economically self-sufficient and to alleviate poverty in the rural, reservation, and urban areas; providing professional economic development services to assist American Indian tribes and organizations in developing funding strategies and public-private partnerships that will lead to greater economic vitality; and promoting and providing programs and activities designed to improve the educational attainment levels of Native American youth and adults.

As first Americans, we walk in the present, with our eyes on the future and the past in our hearts. We advocate pride in our cultural integrity. We honor the spirit that ensures continuity of the sacred circle. Our team of caring professionals: empowers Native Americans to achieve excellence; revitalizes our communities; and embraces the challenges of the 21st century.