

Building Native Communities

Impact Report

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Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families (BNC) is a culturally appropriate financial education curriculum tailored for Native communities. Co-owned by First Nations Oweesta Corporation and First Nations Development Institute, BNC has been in existence for 16 years. In 2016, First Nations Development and First Nations Oweesta finished writing the 5th Edition of BNC, which is already being taught in “Train-the-Trainer” workshops across the Nation. Train-the-Trainer workshops enable distribution of the most up-to-date, relevant financial knowledge to Native communities.



“I’ll be able to set up financial education classes for youth and adults with BNC!”

“I’ll take the interaction methods back to my community to use in my classes.”

“I’ll set up new workshops for my community with this new material!”



Success, the BNC Way



Oweesta’s Annual Instructor Survey provides an opportunity for trainees to make recommendations for future trainings, as well as share success stories.



“I have had several students go to banks and credit unions to open accounts, and feel empowered because they now know what to look for in an account to avoid fees and get the most benefits.”



“Chris Hansen is a superb instructor. His knowledge on finance is great and I love his training techniques. He is an asset to your establishment and to Indian Country!”

Empowering Our Native Nations through Financial Education

With BNC, our purpose is to:

Enable community members to realize their traditional values by learning financial skills that will help each person make informed financial decisions for themselves, their family, and their community.

Train-the-Trainer graduates taught 5,801 people this year!

62% of respondents started or participated in a financial education program!

2016 BNC Results & Statistics

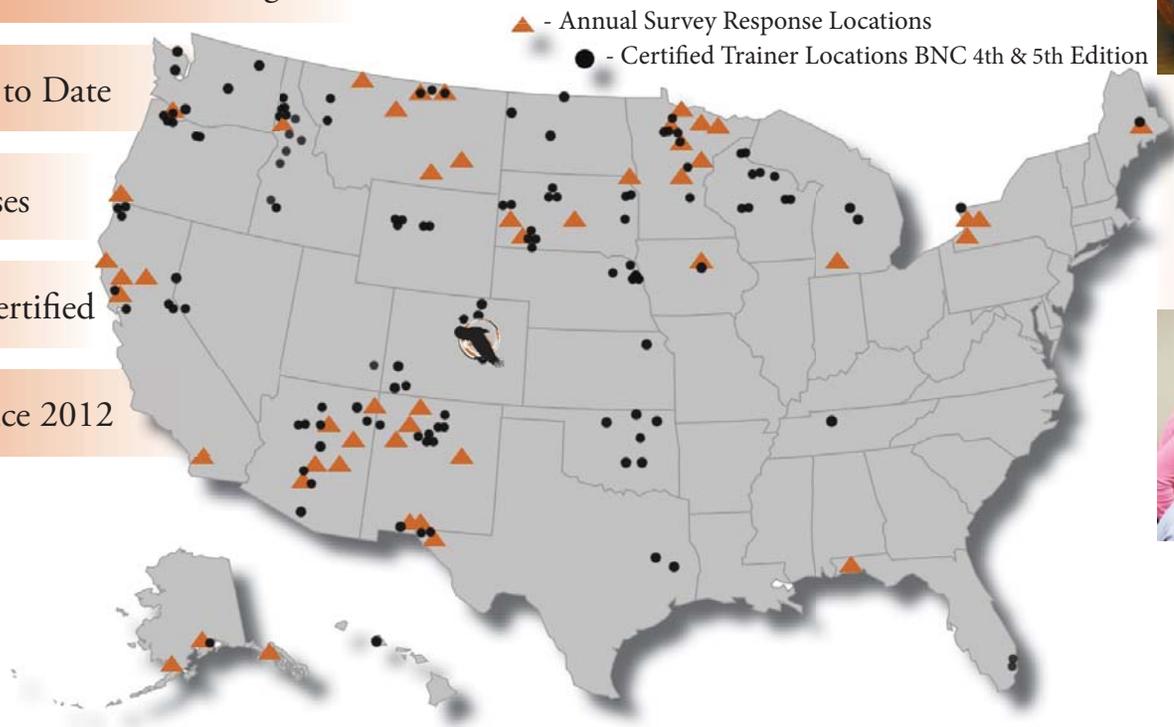
4,249 Participants in BNC Financial Education Trainings

Over 21,000 BNC Workbooks Used to Date

686 BNC Financial Education Courses

150+ Trainers Already 5th Edition Certified

Held 51 Train-the-Trainer Events Since 2012



“Helping people achieve their financial wants and needs is vital to communities and families, no matter what the obstacles, it will be a success. With your help they can achieve!”

-NeighborWorks Dakota Home Resources





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