

Effective Reporting: Stories from the Field



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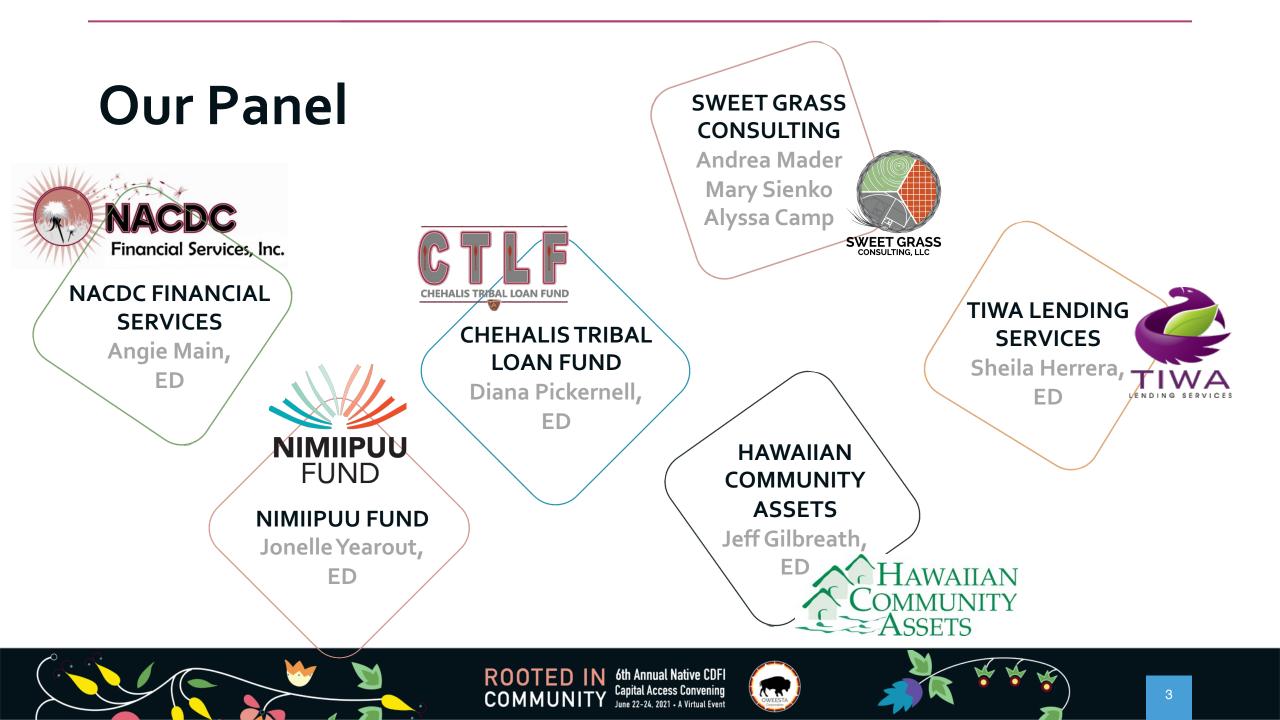


This Session

- What data is needed to produce an effective report
- Helpful steps, processes, and systems in producing reports
- Graphic tips in creating engaging reports
- Effects of sharing data to stakeholders
- Get some new insights, strategies, and inspiration for your own reporting efforts for your CDFI!

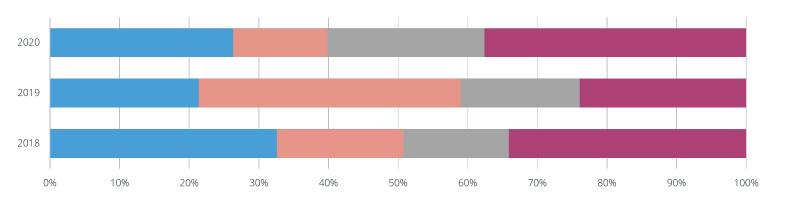






What Data is Needed for Effective Reporting?

- Ask yourself:
 - Who is the **audience** for the report?
 - What is the **goal** of the report? What is its **purpose**?
 - How will you use the data to tell your story?



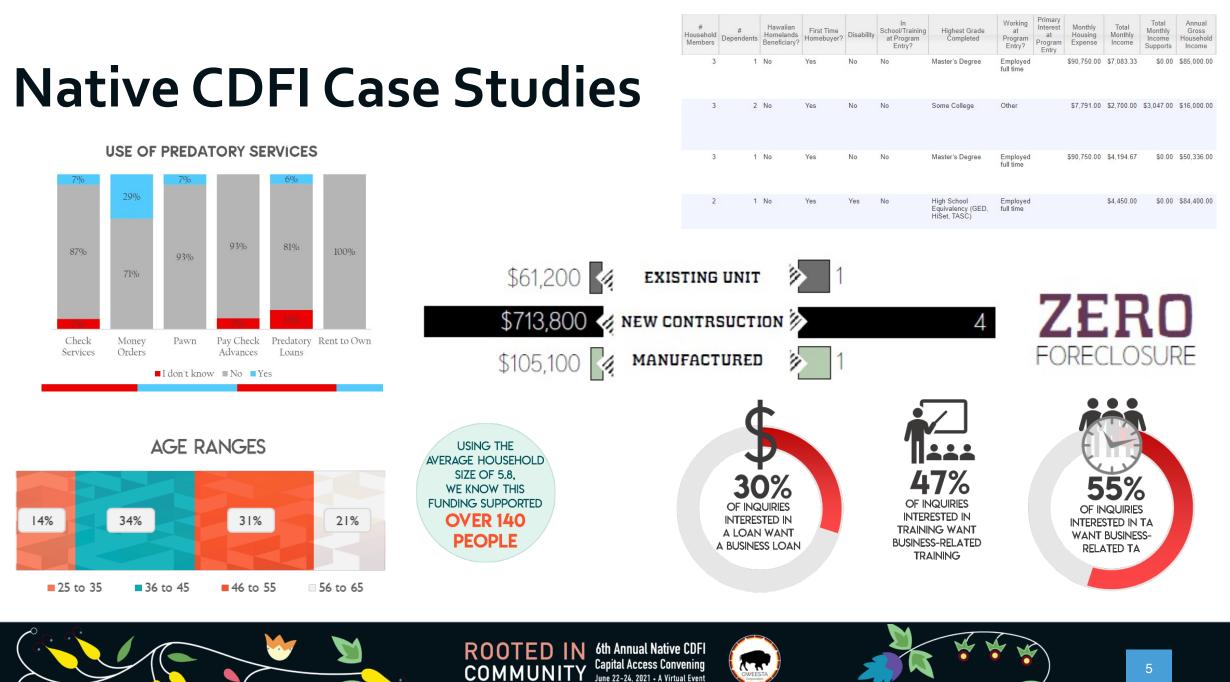




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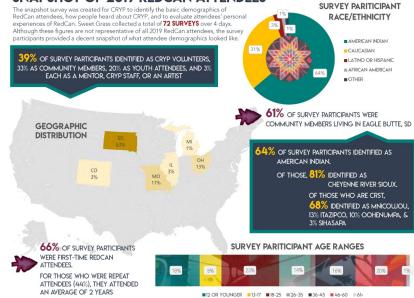


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infographic

SNAPSHOT OF 2019 REDCAN ATTENDEES



narrative

A FOOD HUB

Since 2008, food hubs have been gaining popularity across the U.S. because of their ability to create more sustainable food systems and meet growing consumer demand for local and regional foods.⁷² Simply put, a food hub connects locally produced foods with businesses, schools, and consumers which helps a community become healthier and more resilient.⁷³ Food hubs consist of businesses or organizations that actively manage, distribute, and market the aggregation of origin-known food products, and they are avenues for rural economic growth, as well as social and environmental change.⁷⁶

Food hubs play an important "middle man" role by carrying out several core functions: aggregation, distribution, marketing, and sales. On average, they gather products from over 80 different suppliers within a 400-mile radius to meet their needs." The number of producers required depends on the needs of the hub itself, as well as on the availability of suppliers. Food hubs also store goods from producers and then transport them to a variety of customers. Lastly, food hub staff take on the marketing responsibility of finding buyers, selling and advertising products, and promoting farms' brands. Each food hub is a unique operation that tailors the products and services it offers to meet the diverse needs of the communities it belongs to.

The majority of food hub sales come from fruits and vegetables. 92% of hubs carry fresh produce and herbs, and most carry eggs, dairy, meat or poultry, flours and grains, and valueadded products like preserves and organics.³⁷ Baked goods such as breads, desserts, and pies are becoming more popular, but are less common. Food hub sales generally have a distribution of 70% fresh produce, 10% dairy products including eggs, and 20% order.³⁷ If a food hub offers meat, fluid milk, or cheese it must consider processing facilities, food safety, and more complex logistics.⁵⁰ To be successful, a food hub should seek to provide a range of products that satisfy consumer demand, which could include the sale of non-local items, if that aligns with the hub's mission.



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YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

When discussing what makes RedCan unique, not only in terms of graffit jams, but also in terms of art programming generally, one theme became more prominent than anything else -youth development. The focus of the event is all about developing youth and providing exceptional opportunities for them in a multitude of ways. The event provides outlets for youth to enhance and develop their artistic abilities by broadening horizons with a diversity of art mediums. Offering these educational and often times intergenerational mentorship opportunities to youth, whether experienced in the arts or not, has been shown to enhance their artistic confidence and selfidentity as well.

Additionally, through the event, youth are exposed to, and even work beside, established artists from all over the work, many of whom have made art a full-time career. This opportunity shows youth who are invested and acciled by art that it closes it have to just be a hobby. The youth inspiration this event provides has been reflected on over the last five varias and is described in the following section.

In addition to RedCan and the overall att programming, CRYP's focus in all of their program salways traces back to youth development. Therefore, other pieces of this section have been aligned with youth development in other areas of CRYP such as professional development through their social enterprise internships at the Keya Cafe. Providing valuable work experience to youth in Eagle Butte for the last five years has had major impacts in workforce development and preparing the younger generations for applying for jobs, developing resumes, and being more confident in the workface. It has shown youth positive work ethic, customer service skills, and even enhanced their financial capacity by educating them on budgeting and asving. The impacts of this program in relation to youth development is described in this

Youth development is the main driver of CRYP's programs. Everything they do intentionally cultivates apportunities for youth that may not exist anywhere else in their communities. This is something that makes CRYP a tremendous assot to Eagle Butte and the Cheyerne River Reservation – and could even provide similar communities with an innovative model for youth development.





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Data Visualization & Graphic Tips the big picture & theme

flow

- Think about how the audience will read it and what draws their attention
- Think about what data sets should flow into each other (e.g. all demographics on 1 page, all info about loans in one section and TA in a separate section)

balance

- Don't cram too much on one page
- Balance of fonts and colors used
 - Balance of using punch numbers, bullet points, charts, and images

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 Balance of types of charts (pie, column, stacked, etc.)

color theme

- Use your organization's color scheme
- Google color schemes and color pallets
- 4 colors is the sweet spot



font set

- Use the same size of font for the same text types (e.g. all headers should be the same size font)
- You can download cool fonts for free!
- 2-3 fonts is the sweet spot



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data visualization COMMUNITY BENEFITS FROM REDCAN 38% 80 IN THE PAST 5 YEARS N=41 SEEKING EMPLOYMENT? COMMUNITY experienced increased COMMUNITY BUILDING/INVOLVMENT 39% MEMBER business expenses due to ARTISTIC OUTLET PARTICIPANTS BEAUTIFYING COMMUNITY COVID-19 LAKOTA CULTURE AWARENESS & PRESERVATION Of those, the increase YOUTH/SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT 39 was on EMPOWERMENT **YEARS OLD:** SOMETHING TO DO/ACTIVITIES average **44% FEMALE MEDIAN AGE OF** POSITIVITY/HAPPINESS \$1.023.29 PARTICIPANTS 56% MALE MENTORSHIP ECONOMIC BENEFITS 96% NO BENEFITS NATIVE **AMERICAN**/ ALASKA 3% with a NATIVE 79% checking acct 55% with a savings acct 651 61% FEMALE 34% with a credit card HOUSEHOLD **ART INTERNS** 39% MALE **SINCE 2013** MEMBERS have used predatory loans recently 26% **SUPPORTED** ROOTED 6th Annual Native CDFI

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- PowerPoint most of us have it, and it's easy to create graphic reports
- Canva free version and easy to use
- Mimicking Find graphic reports you like and try to recreate them





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