



## BUILDING NATIVE FUTURES FUND

### Native-Led Investment in Sovereignty, Infrastructure, and Resilience

#### Overview

The Building Native Futures Fund is a \$150 million movement grounded in sovereignty, self-determination, and cultural sustainability. More than a fund, it is a reclaiming of economic autonomy for Native Nations to build the infrastructure needed for today and generations to come.

Through Oweesta Corporation, we mobilize philanthropic, public, and private capital to support Native-led clean energy, broadband expansion, housing, and community infrastructure. By partnering with mission-aligned investors and funders, we can unlock the full potential of Native economies and position Tribal Nations at the forefront of the clean energy transition.

#### Fund Mission

Through the Building Native Futures Fund we will:

- Bridge the capital gap with direct financing.
- Catalyze energy sovereignty and resilience.
- Drive scalable, community-owned development.
- Fuel economic independence and generational wealth-building.
- Empower Native CDFIs to expand infrastructure and renewable energy projects.

#### Why Now

Native communities across the United States are experiencing a pivotal moment of resurgence. Yet approximately 14 percent of households on tribal lands—ten times the national average—still lack access to electricity.

This gap persists not because of limited vision, but because Native communities have been denied access to flexible, early-stage capital needed to move community-driven solutions into implementation.

Native Nations are already leading the way with solar microgrids, hydropower systems, broadband expansion, regenerative housing, and more. Indian Country requires over \$20 billion to realize its renewable energy and infrastructure vision. Strategic, early-stage capital is the catalyst. Native Nations are the leaders.

#### Fund Overview

*\$65 million – Bridge Loans for Infrastructure*

- Construction loans for energy, economic development, food sovereignty, health and wellness, and education

*\$65 million – Long-Term Financing for Economic Infrastructure*

- Term loans for energy, economic development, food sovereignty, health and wellness, and education

*\$20 million – CDFI Lending Capacity*

- Grants to Native CDFIs and intermediaries supporting participation in infrastructure lending

#### Investor Participation Model

Oweesta invites mission-aligned investors to join the Fund through a structured, low-risk fixed-income vehicle.

*Investment Terms: 5 to 15 years*

*Interest Rate: Zero to 3 percent*

*Capital Use: Bridge gaps for tax credit projects; finance water, broadband, and energy infrastructure; support construction and predevelopment.*

*Security: All loans collateralized and underwritten through Oweesta's strict lending criteria.*

#### Why Invest

- Supports climate action and reduces emissions.
- Advances Tribal energy sovereignty.
- Supports shovel-ready infrastructure projects.
- Responds to more than \$20 billion in documented need.
- Leverages Oweesta's over 25-year track record with zero investor defaults.
- Aligns with ESG, justice, and community-driven development goals.
- Unlocks federal and state awards through early-stage capital.

#### Contact

To explore this opportunity, Oweesta welcomes inquiries and is available to structure investments tailored to institutional or individual goals.

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