

Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants

Tribes and Intertribal Consortia Fact Sheet

Wyandotte Nation

Selected Grant Recipient

Name: Wyandotte Nation

Project Location: Wyandotte, OK

Project Title: Wyandotte Nation's Solid Waste and Infrastructure for Recycling Project

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 6

Grant Funding: \$947,266

The Wyandotte Nation will expand and improve the Lost Creek Recycling Center by planning and implementing major renovations to the facility, purchasing collection bins for recyclables, and purchasing recycling equipment and other items for post-consumer materials management recovery. A full-time recycling technician will be hired to help the Center address the anticipated increase in the number of solid waste recyclables the Center receives. Once implemented, the proposed project will help reduce the amount of solid waste landfilled in the Tribal community.

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 the Wyandotte Nation once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

Highlights

- Creates one permanent, full-time job for a recycling technician.
- Reduces waste and improves materials management to achieve a circular economy, reduces greenhouse gas emissions, and creates a cleaner and more resilient community.

