

Native American Career and Technical Education Program (NACTEP)

GRANTEE: Pascua Yaqui Tribe

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: Tribal Organization

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PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Pascua Yaqui Tribe NACTEP Career Center is being implemented to serve Pascua Yaqui Tribe members by providing increased access to Career Technical Education (CTE) training programs that lead to employment opportunities/career advancement opportunities in high demand occupations.

The five occupation areas targeted are Business Occupations, Early Childhood Development Occupations, Facilities Maintenance Occupations, Health Occupations and Hospitality Occupations. Within these five occupation areas, members of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe have a variety of certifications and credentials that are available to pursue such as CompTia A+ (Business Occupations), State Certified Care Giver (Health Occupations), Certified Medical Office Clerk (Health Occupations), Certified Baker's Helper (Hospitality Occupations), Child Development Associate (Early Childhood) and Certified HVAC Specialist (Facilities Maintenance Occupations).

Through collaborations with several departments of Pima Community College, the PYT NACTEP Career Center is able to offer customized CTE training on the reservation in addition to traditional on campus CTE training. This has removed the barrier of lack of transportation for many participants. This year we offered certification programs for Facilities and Business Occupations using this customized on site model.

Partnerships with the tribe's WIOA (Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act) and TANF (Temporary Aid to Needy Families) departments provide some participants with a full complement of support and services that may not be covered by NACTEP's allowable services. PYT NACTEP Career Center partners with the PYT TERO (Tribal Employment Rights Office) to assist with recruiting.

The PYT NACTEP Career Center also focuses on creating partnerships and collaborations with local employers to support the project's goals of job placement after completion of CTE training.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Establish a NACTEP Career Center to serve PYT NACTEP enrolled participants seeking CTE training and employment following completion of CTE training.
- Enroll 50 PYT NACTEP participants in CTE training programs and achieve an 80% completion rate that will result in acquiring industry recognized credentials in one of the targeted five Occupation groups.
 - Business Occupations
 - Early Childhood Development Occupations
 - Facilities Maintenance Occupations
 - Health Occupations
 - Hospitality Occupations
- Provide PYT NACTEP participants with career placement services that result in a 75% placement rate for participants.

EDUCATIONAL LEVEL(S) OF PARTICIPANTS: Postsecondary

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION TRAINING PROGRAMS:

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE</u>
Business Occupations	Certificate
Early Childhood Development Occupations	Certificate
Facilities Maintenance Occupations	Certificate
Health Occupations	Certificate
Hospitality Occupations	Certificate

AVAILABLE DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO STUDENTS:

Tuition/Books	Tutoring
Stipend	Case Management
Career Coaching	Placement Assistance

NUMBER OF PROGRAM SITES: 1

PARTNERSHIPS & COLLABORATIVES:

Pima Community College
Pima Community College HPOG (Health Professions Opportunity Grant)
Pima Community College Workforce and Continuing Education Department
Pascua Yaqui Tribe WIOA
Pascua Yaqui Tribe TANF
Pascua Yaqui TERO

ACCREDITATION STATUS:

North Central Accreditation-accredits degree-granting colleges through its higher Learning Commission