

Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law
Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants
Tribes and Intertribal Consortia Fact Sheet
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Selected Grant Recipient

Name: Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Project Location: Okmulgee, OK

Project Title: Solid Waste Post-Consumer Materials Management Improvement Project for the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Reservation

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 6

Grant Funding: \$906,621

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation will expand their Solid Waste Post-Consumer Materials Management Program, hire an additional employee and purchase new solid waste transportation equipment. This will include procuring trucks, a compactor, containers for sorting and recycling, and recycling stations. Through these activities, the Muscogee (Creek) Nation will improve markets for recycled commodities, reduce waste stream contamination, and advance programs that expand circularity.

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 Muscogee (Creek) Nation once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

Highlights

- Serves 26 Tribal communities.
- Creates one full-time job.
- Increases post-consumer materials management through recycling and expands outreach to rural and remote communities.

