

Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law
Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants
Tribes and Intertribal Consortia Fact Sheet
Native Village of Shaktoolik

Selected Grant Recipient

Name: Native Village of Shaktoolik
Project Location: Shaktoolik, AK
Project Title: Native Village of Shaktoolik Materials Management Infrastructure Project: Equipment

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 10

Grant Funding: \$1,413,015

The Native Village of Shaktoolik will expand materials management infrastructure in the Tribe and support improvements to local waste management systems. The Tribe will achieve this objective by purchasing construction equipment to use in expanding the current infrastructure. The construction projects will allow the Tribe to move recyclables to an easily accessible, safe area, reducing contamination in the recycled materials stream. This will help the Tribe adapt to climate change impacts and promote pollution reduction.

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 Native Village of Shaktoolik once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

Highlights

- Improves the safety of a small rural Tribe located on a sand and gravel spit between a river and the Bering Sea.
- Prevents unsafe materials from polluting the Bering Sea.

