

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

# **Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians**

## **Selected Grant Recipient**

Name: Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians
Project Location: Red Rock, Oklahoma
Project Title: Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians

Recycling Plan and Center

## Highlights

- Builds and staffs a recycling center.
- Tracks recycling data.
- Provides educational opportunities.

#### **EPA Information**

Region: EPA Region 6

## **Grant Funding: \$1,500,000**

The Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians will implement a solid waste recycling plan; build a recycling center in a rural, underserved area; and track recycling data. The Tribe will design and build a recycling center, purchase necessary equipment, hire a technician, implement data tracking, and prepare educational activities for outreach purposes. These activities will expand recycling availability, increase understanding of how and what to recycle, and reduce solid waste contamination.

#### **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 Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.