**July 24, 2017**

**Data for Indian Economic Development Workshop Agenda**

**Tribal-Interior Budget Council (TIBC) Meeting**

**Twin Arrows Navajo Casino and Resort (928) 856-7200**

**22181 Resort Blvd, Flagstaff, AZ**

**Background and Purpose:** Access to accurate economic information is crucial to decision making for American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) communities. This one-day, facilitated workshop is developed for the Tribal-Interior Budget Council (TIBC). The workshop will address AIAN economic data quality and availability issues and highlight options to overcome deficiencies. This workshop is part of a series focusing on AIAN data sharing, population estimation, economic development, and home ownership.

**Participants:** Tribal, federal, and other organizations and individuals knowledgeable about AIAN economic development and business data on AIAN populations.

**Outcomes/Deliverables:** Workshop report identifying federal AIAN economic/business data gaps, data quality/availability issues, and options for improvement.

**July 23, 2017 (Mountain Standard Time)**

# **7:00 pm-8:00 pm Registration (Diné BEH Room)**

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**7:00 am-8:00 am: Registration** **(Diné BEH Room)**

**8:00 am: Welcome and Invocation.** President Russell Begaye, Navajo Nation

**8:15 am: Introduction**. Gavin Clarkson (Department of the Interior)

**8:30 am**: **Agenda Review and Approach to Presentations.** Sarah Palmer (Facilitator)

**Panel 1**

**8:35 am: Labor and Population Data.** This session will explore the challenges of collecting and using AIAN survey data for demographic factors, including employment, income, education, and race.

8:35: U.S. Census Bureau Population Statistics. Hyon Shin (Census Bureau)

8:55: Department of Labor Data. Thomas Krolik, (Department of Labor)

9:15: National Science Foundation (NSF) Research. Amber Ebarb (NCAI) and Norm DeWeaver (NCAI Consultant)

9:35: Geospatial Data Tools. Jamie Cajka (RTI International)

**9:55 am: Q&A (20 minutes)**

**10:15 am: BREAK (15 minutes)**

**Panel 2**

**10:30 am: Indian Business Data,** **On- and Off-Reservation.** This session will address the available data on AIAN business activity and ways to improve data collection, access, and our understanding of the AIAN business sector.

10:30: Indian Business Trends. Randall Akee (University of California, Los Angeles) and Richard Todd (Center for Indian Country Development at the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis)

10:50: Data Collection for AIAN Entrepreneurship. Dan Stewart (Gonzaga University) and Joseph Gladstone (University of New Haven)

11:10: Annual Survey of Entrepreneurs & Survey of Business Owners. Naomi Blackman (Census Bureau)

**11:30 am: Q&A (20 minutes)**

**11:50 Lunch On Your Own (40 minutes)**

**Post-Lunch Presentation**

**12:30 pm: Data Needs for Large-Scale Master Planning and Integrated Development.** Crystal Deschinny (Navajo Nation Division of Economic Development)

**12:50 pm: Q&A (10 minutes)**

**Panel 3**

**1:00 pm: Data on Capital, Lending, and Finance in Indian Country.** The lack of financial data on AIAN populations impedes our ability to assess the problem and measure progress on access to capital in Indian Country.

1:00: Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (CDFI) update. Greg Bischak (CDFI)

1:20: A Banker’s Perspective. Juel Burnette (First Tribal Lending)

1:40: Data Initiatives at the University of Arizona and the Harvard Project. Miriam Jorgensen (UA and Harvard) and Stephanie Rainie (UA, US Indigenous Data Sovereignty Network)

**2:00 pm: Q&A (15 minutes)**

**2:15 pm: BREAK (15 minutes)**

**Panel 4**

**2:30 pm: Data to Support Economic Development in Indian Country**

This session will focus on the types of data necessary for community planning and economic development and the extent to which this data is readily available in Indian country.  Strategies for improving the quality and availability of the data will also be discussed.

2:30: Trust Asset and Accounting Management System (TAAMS) Data. Helen Riggs and Charlene Toledo (BIA)

2:45: A Private Sector Perspective. Nancy Appleby (Appleby Law PLLC)Data Needs for Community-Directed Planning in Indian Country.

3:00: Cris Stainbrook (Indian Land Tenure Foundation)

**3:15 pm: Q&A (15 minutes)**

**3:30 pm: Workshop Themes**

Facilitated discussion of common data issues and approaches to addressing deficiencies and impediments.

**4:45 pm: Conclusion/Next Steps**. Benjamin Simon (5 minutes)