



MINNESOTA TRIBAL COLLEGES

Miigwech [Thank You] for supporting Minnesota's Tribal Colleges.

Together we can bridge the education canyon that exists for Native Americans in MN!

BILLS SUPPORTING THIS REQUEST: SF 636. HF 750.

Our \$3M Request: \$1M/Yr.-Unrestricted for EACH Tribal College for Operations & Maint.

This proposed \$1M in annual funding appropriation for each Tribal College will be used to:

- **Improve campus teaching and learning environments** to improve student outcomes
 - + Enhance classrooms, labs & libraries by repairing/replacing equipment
 - + Upkeep & upgrades of classroom technology (hardware and software)
 - + Provide basic Infrastructure that most colleges take for granted-dorms, health centers, etc.
 - **Meet additional college & student IT needs for distance education**
 - + Hardware and software purchases, maintenance & upgrades
 - + Increased IT support and training
 - **Start or expand new programs**, for ex., social work, early child devel.
 - + Additional academic course offerings & programming
 - + Additional faculty needed
 - **Expand student support services to increase student success**
 - + Student mental health services
 - + Student support - academic & social needs
 - **Hire to Address Understaffed College Admin./Faculty support -**
 - **Provide competitive wages for our staff and faculty** (TC staff & faculty are currently \$20-\$40K+ below MN averages), which will allow employee retention and attract quality employees
 - **ROI: TC grads are "feeding into State schools" & Impacts entire State – higher salaries.**
 - **ROI: Tremendous need, long overdue funding, modest request-huge impact/improvement.**
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- Cover rising campus expenses resulting from inflation increases
 - Providing base funding needed to meet regular, ongoing operating costs
 - Support expansion of all College offerings, for ex., to a planned RLNC - Minneapolis Campus



Minnesota Tribal Colleges — Transforming Natives, Families & Communities!

