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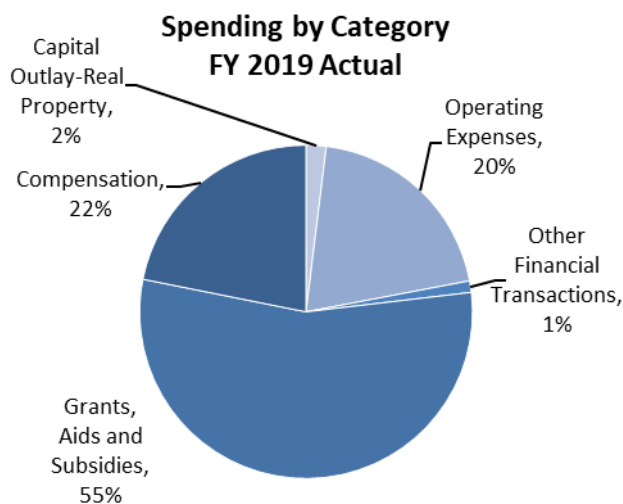
AT A GLANCE

- The Council serves the entire state and the eleven sovereign Tribal Nations in Minnesota.
- There are approximately 61,000 American Indians statewide.
- The Council has six full-time staff and two offices located in St. Paul and Bemidji.
- The 28-member board is comprised of elected Tribal Leaders, the Governor’s Office, members of the State Legislature, and State Agency Commissioners.
- Six-member Urban Indian Advisory Board (UIAB) that advises the Council on issues specific to the urban American Indian communities in Minneapolis, St. Paul, Bemidji, and Duluth.

PURPOSE

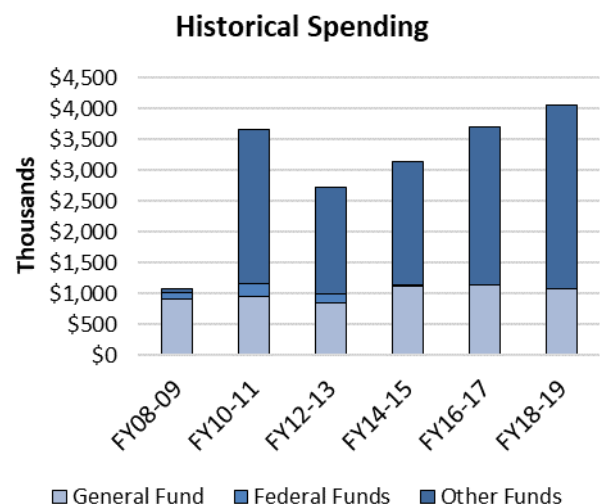
The mission of the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council (MIAC) is to protect the sovereignty of the eleven Tribal Nations in Minnesota and to ensure the well-being of all American Indian citizens throughout the state. Established in 1963, the MIAC serves as the primary liaison between sovereign Tribal Nations and state government. The Council also advises and makes policy recommendations to the Governor and Legislature. The MIAC proposes the yearly agenda for the annual Governor/Tribal Leaders summit. The MIAC also fulfills duties under M.S. 307.08 and M.S. 138.00, through its Cultural Resource program. The Cultural Resource program works in collaboration with the office of the State Archaeologist to protect American Indian cemeteries, gravesites, and burial mounds statewide. MIAC is a re-granter and oversees the Dakota and Ojibwe Language Revitalization Program through the Legacy Fund Amendment Arts and Cultural Heritage Funds.

BUDGET



Grants, Aids, and Subsidies are the appropriations from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund for Language Revitalization and Cultural Resources.

Source: Budget Planning & Analysis System (BPAS)



Note: After FY14-15 MIAC has not received any federal funds

Source: Consolidated Fund Statement

The Minnesota Indian Affairs Council has a total biennial budget of approximately \$5.5 million. The biennial General Fund support is approximately \$1.7 million. Funding from the Arts & Cultural Heritage Fund, consisting of grants to communities for Dakota and Ojibwe Language Revitalization, is approximately \$3.5 million.

STRATEGIES

To accomplish its mission, the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council uses the following strategies:

- Convene two-day executive and quarterly board meetings which bring together elected tribal leaders from tribal nations that share geography with the State of Minnesota (MIAC Executive Board), state agency commissioners, state government elected and appointed officials, key agency program staff, and the public. Executive Board discussion and formal action through adoption of resolutions leads to increased collaboration and coordination with state agency leadership.
- Make policy recommendations to the Governor, State Legislature, and state agencies.
- Educate the public and local governments on issues important to American Indian tribes and people.
- Promote the revitalization and preservation of the Dakota and Ojibwe Languages through the grants program supported by the Legacy Amendment.
- Regulate and oversee repatriation and respectful and culturally competent reburials of American Indian remains throughout the state. This requires collaboration with state agencies, the Army Corps of Engineers, state and local governments, Tribal Historic Preservation Officers, and elected tribal officials.
- Coordinate with state agency Tribal liaisons to ensure effective program implementation.
- Partner with state agencies to plan and facilitate the Minnesota Tribal-State Relations Training.
- Assist the Governor’s Office Tribal-State Relations team and state agencies in coordinating government-to-government consultation discussions.
- Citizen and public outreach through participation on state, tribal, and community advisory boards, commissions, committees, and task forces.
- Educate the public and state agency employees through the use of the Why Treaties Matter Exhibit.

In 2019 MIAC hired two additional cultural resource staff to enhance recovery and reburial efforts in the state. The MIAC Cultural Resource department is expanding in order to provide better consultative services to reduce the number of inadvertent discoveries, and in turn, save the state potentially millions of dollars.

RESULTS

<i>Type of Measure</i>	<i>Name of Measure</i>	<i>Previous</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Dates</i>
Quantity	Total grants awarded through Dakota and Ojibwe language revitalization grant program	17 Awarded Grants 11 Awarded Grants	17 Awarded Grants 11 Awarded Grants	FY16-17 FY18-19
Quantity	Number of filled positions within the Cultural Resource Unit who are qualified with regulative authority and oversight of American Indian repatriation and reburials.	1	3	FY18, FY19
Quality	Number of Dakota and Ojibwe Language Revitalization and Strategic Plan documents approved and adopted by the tribal nations in the State of MN	1	3	FY18, FY19

The Minnesota Indian Affairs Council’s legal authority comes from MS 3.922 (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=3.922>).

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY18	Actual FY19	Actual FY20	Estimate FY21	Forecast Base		Governor's Recommendation	
					FY22	FY23	FY22	FY23
<u>Expenditures by Fund</u>								
1000 - General	385	681	565	1,134	846	846	855	864
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue	39	36						
2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue	144	167	22					
2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage	1,369	1,232	1,444	1,993	264		264	
2403 - Gift		5						
Total	1,937	2,120	2,030	3,127	1,110	846	1,119	864
Biennial Change				1,100		(3,201)		(3,174)
Biennial % Change				27		(62)		(62)
Governor's Change from Base								27
Governor's % Change from Base								1

Expenditures by Program

Indian Affairs Council	1,937	2,120	2,030	3,127	1,110	846	1,119	864
Total	1,937	2,120	2,030	3,127	1,110	846	1,119	864

Expenditures by Category

Compensation	463	453	423	666	628	633	637	651
Operating Expenses	247	429	295	746	215	193	215	193
Grants, Aids and Subsidies	1,226	1,174	1,293	1,695	247		247	
Capital Outlay-Real Property		41	1					
Other Financial Transaction	1	24	18	20	20	20	20	20
Total	1,937	2,120	2,030	3,127	1,110	846	1,119	864

Full-Time Equivalent

	4.96	4.57	4.92	6.80	6.21	6.00	6.21	6.00
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(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY18	Actual FY19	Actual FY20	Estimate FY21	Forecast Base		Governor's Recommendation	
					FY22	FY23	FY22	FY23
1000 - General								
Balance Forward In		203		288				
Direct Appropriation	580	585	853	846	846	846	855	864
Transfers Out		42						
Cancellations		66						
Balance Forward Out	195		288					
Expenditures	385	681	565	1,134	846	846	855	864
Biennial Change in Expenditures				633		(7)		20
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				59		(0)		1
Governor's Change from Base								27
Governor's % Change from Base								2
Full-Time Equivalents	4.07	3.19	4.85	6.18	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00

2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue

Balance Forward In		36						
Receipts	75							
Balance Forward Out	36							
Expenditures	39	36						
Biennial Change in Expenditures				(75)		0		0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				(100)				
Governor's Change from Base								0
Governor's % Change from Base								
Full-Time Equivalents	0.27	0.36						

2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue

Balance Forward In		51						
Receipts	192	116	22					
Balance Forward Out	49							
Expenditures	144	167	22					
Biennial Change in Expenditures				(289)		(22)		(22)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				(93)				
Governor's Change from Base								0
Governor's % Change from Base								
Full-Time Equivalents		1.02	0.07					

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY18	Actual FY19	Actual FY20	Estimate FY21	Forecast Base FY22 FY23		Governor's Recommendation FY22 FY23	
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2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage

Balance Forward In	136	94	158	371	264		264	
Direct Appropriation	1,320	1,320	1,665	1,886	0	0	0	0
Transfers In	40				264		264	
Transfers Out	40				264		264	
Cancellations	0	36	9					
Balance Forward Out	87	146	371	264				
Expenditures	1,369	1,232	1,444	1,993	264		264	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				836		(3,173)		(3,173)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				32		(92)		(92)
Governor's Change from Base								0
Governor's % Change from Base								
Full-Time Equivalents	0.62			0.62	0.21		0.21	

2403 - Gift

Balance Forward In	0	26	25	1	1	1	1	1
Receipts	26	5	(25)					
Balance Forward Out	26	25	1	1	1	1	1	1
Expenditures		5						
Biennial Change in Expenditures				(5)		0		0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures								
Governor's Change from Base								0
Governor's % Change from Base								

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY21	FY22	FY23	Biennium 2022-23
Direct				
Fund: 1000 - General				
FY2021 Appropriations	846	846	846	1,692
Forecast Base	846	846	846	1,692
Change Items				
Operating Adjustment		9	18	27
Total Governor's Recommendations	846	855	864	1,719
Fund: 2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage				
FY2021 Appropriations	1,886	1,886	1,886	3,772
Base Adjustments				
One-Time Legacy Fund Appropriations		(1,886)	(1,886)	(3,772)
Forecast Base	1,886	0	0	0
Total Governor's Recommendations	1,886	0	0	0

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FY 2022-23 Biennial Budget Change Item

Change Item Title: Operating Adjustment

Fiscal Impact (\$000s)	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
General Fund					
Expenditures	0	9	18	18	18
Revenues	0	0	0	0	0
Other Funds					
Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0	0	0
Net Fiscal Impact = (Expenditures – Revenues)	0	9	18	18	18
FTEs	0	0	0	0	0

Recommendation:

The Governor recommends additional funding of \$9,000 in FY 2022 and \$18,000 in each subsequent year from the general fund to maintain the current level of service delivery at the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council (MIAC).

This represents a 1.6 percent increase over MIAC’s FY 2022-2023 biennial general fund base budget.

Rationale/Background:

This operating increase funds a portion of projected cost increases in the upcoming biennium. Each year, the cost of doing business rises—including growing costs for employer-paid health care contributions and other salary and compensation-related costs. Other operating costs, like rent and lease, fuel and utilities, IT and legal services also grow. This cost growth puts pressure on operating budgets that remain flat from year to year without enacted increases. Agencies face challenging decisions to manage these costs within existing budgets, while maintaining the services Minnesotans expect.

Proposal:

The Governor recommends increasing MIAC’s operating budget to support the delivery of current services. This funding will cover compensation cost growth.

Results:

This proposal is intended to allow the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council to continue to provide current levels of service and information to the public.