

First Nations Development Institute: Financial Literacy



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First Nations Development Institute

- Founded 30 years ago.



- Works to restore Native American control and culturally-compatible stewardship of the assets tribes own - be they land, human potential, cultural heritage, or natural resources **and** to establish new assets for ensuring the long-term vitality of Native communities.
- First Nations serves rural and reservation based Native American communities throughout the United States.



Our Values, Mission & Approach

Our Values

“We Believe that When Armed with the Appropriate Resources, Native Peoples Hold the Capacity and Ingenuity to Ensure the Sustainable, Economic, Spiritual and Cultural Well-Being of Their Communities.”





Our Values, Mission & Approach

Our Mission

We Strengthen American Indian Economies

Our Approach

We Invest In, Support, and Develop Innovative
Economic Development Strategies for Asset Control

Within:

- (1) The Tribal Nonprofit Sector
- (2) The Tribal Government Sector
- (3) The Tribal For-Profit Sector



How Do We Do What We Do?

Our Strategy...

**Working Within the Tribal Nonprofit,
Government, and For-Profit Sectors:**

- (1) We Educate Grassroots Practitioners
- (2) We Advocate Systemic Change
- (3) We Capitalize Reservation Communities



Strengthening American Indian Economies: Financial Education

- works with a range of tribal communities to help them design and administer financial education programs
- works closely with First Nations Oweesta Corporation to provide financial education resources to Native communities
- coordinates the InvestNative investor education project
- promotes financial education training using the **Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families** workbook



InvestNative Project

<http://www.investnative.org>

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Building Native Communities One Investment at a Time

Welcome to the InvestNative project website. Our mission is to increase knowledge of investment principles to help people make informed investment decisions for their families, communities, and nations. At this website, you will find resources to help you learn more about the investment world. We urge you to click on the links below, and find out: Do you control your money, or does it control you?

ONLINE CURRICULUM
Do you control your money, or does it control you? [Click here](#) to learn more about how to manage your money.

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Click here to learn more about teaching topics and training opportunities.

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Click here to learn more about implementing an investor education program in your community.

"Invest for your future, and for your nation."
– Susan White
Oneida Trust Department

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Building Native Communities: Investing for the Future

Click on the buttons below to learn more about investing.

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LESSON 3: So you want to be a millionaire? (1 of 5)

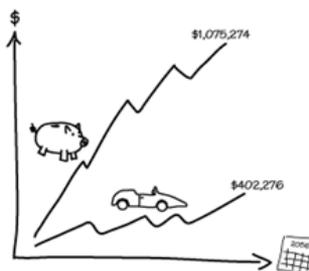
So you want to be a millionaire?

You might be surprised – becoming a millionaire is not as hard as you think. You just have to make your money work for you. If you are from a tribe that pays you a per capita payment, your job just got even easier.

Remember this general rule of thumb for investing:

$$\text{Time} + \text{Money} = \text{More Money}$$

If you are young, and have time to invest your money in the market, you will be surprised at how easy it is to become a millionare.



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Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families





Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families

Designed to:

Enable community members to realize **their traditional values** by learning financial skills that will help each person make informed financial decisions for themselves, their family, and their community.



Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families

For people who want to:

- start a business
- buy a home
- pay off their debt
- gain control over their financial future

The curriculum is designed for adult (high school age and beyond) learners.



Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families

Includes all information needed to facilitate group discussions and promote learning about the following personal financial skills topics:

- Building a healthy economy
- Developing a spending plan
- Working with checking and savings accounts
- Understanding credit and your credit report
- Accessing credit



Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families

Traditional Elements

The curriculum uses traditional Native practices from various tribes as its foundation and is designed to encourage instructors to use that community's history and stories as illustrations.



Getting the BNC Curriculum into your Community

First Nations Oweesta Corporation's Native Financial Skills Initiative (NFSI)

- Offers expert training from certified instructors
- Delivers culturally-appropriate training to help establish and sustain financial education programs
- Offers follow-up technical assistance to help develop and maintain a financial education program



Getting the BNC Curriculum into your Community

Once your instructors are certified, they can then order sets of the Participant Workbooks and Instructors' Guides directly from FNOC.

Costs:

Shipping and Handling only or FREE if they download and print from their website!



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