

INVEST IN STRENGTHENING TRIBAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Washington's Tribal College:



Northwest Indian College, Bellingham, WA

The Congressional Investment in the ED-Strengthening TCUs Program will be cut in *half* beginning in FY2020. Action is needed now to:

- Permanently Authorize and Fund Part F
- Support equitable funding for Part A

The Strengthening Institutions program (HEA Title III, Parts A and F) provides essential formula based aid to TCUs. Together, Parts A and F help provide TCUs the resources to help tribes and rural communities build a skilled Native workforce, support underserved students through wraparound services, modernize fiscal management systems, and build safer 21st century campuses.

Without Congressional action, this vital program will expire this year resulting in catastrophic losses to TCUs, their communities, and their states.

Your Investment is Paying Off:

- **Academic Programs:** Four new bachelor's degree programs developed:
- **Renovation:** Partial restoration of historic building
- **Infrastructure:** Equipped classrooms for distance education
- **Campus Safety:** Security cameras for parking lot and building
- **Accreditation:** Continued investment would support attaining accreditation at the graduate level and expand access to serve additional tribal communities through distance education

The Title III Investment in Washington

Over the past 10 years, **\$21.5 million** has come into Washington through the TCU Title III program. If Title III Part F ends, the state will lose over **\$1 million per year!**

	Title III, Part A	Title III, Part F
2010	\$1,565,921	\$1,573,644
2011	\$1,067,036	\$1,211,502
2012	\$1,102,933	\$1,314,937
2013	\$986,760	\$1,195,837
2014	\$1,046,713	\$1,180,925
2015	\$1,053,591	\$1,162,587
2016	\$1,218,216	\$1,236,852
2017	\$1,170,128	\$1,186,695
2018	\$1,286,288	\$1,126,042
TOTAL:	\$10,497,586	\$11,189,021



Investing in Students & Their Future

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