

2015 Senior Companion Program Indian Tribes Competition Overview

Senior Corps' 2015 Senior Companion Program (SCP) Indian Tribes grants are awarded to eligible organizations that will engage individuals, age 55 and over, to provide companionship and support to other adults in need of extra assistance to remain at home or in the community for as long as possible.

Senior Companion volunteers serve between 15 and 40 hours per week, with the majority of the volunteer service taking place in the homes of their clients. Senior Companions provide companionship to ease loneliness and social isolation, assist with transportation and light chores, help to serve as eyes to professional who can intervene in the case of medical or other deterioration on the part of the clients, and give support to informal caregivers.

The SCP grants awarded in the 2015 SCP Indian Tribes Competition consisted of funding opportunities for grants to federally recognized Indian Tribes in geographic areas not currently served by SCP grantees.

2015 Foster Grandparent Program Indian Tribes Competition Overview

Senior Corps' 2015 Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) Indian Tribes grants are awarded to eligible organizations that will engage individuals, age 55 and over, to provide loving and experienced tutors and mentors to children and youth with special needs or exceptional needs, or who would benefit from the one-on-one attention a Foster Grandparent volunteer can provide.

Foster Grandparents serve between 15 and 40 hours per week in schools, hospitals, drug treatment centers, correctional institutions, and child care centers. Among other activities, they review schoolwork, reinforce values, teach parenting skills to young parents, and care for premature infants and children with disabilities. Foster Grandparents often maintain an ongoing, intensive relationship with the children and youth served for a year or longer.

The FGP grants awarded in the 2015 FGP Indian Tribes Competition consisted of funding opportunities for grants to federally recognized Indian Tribes in geographic areas not currently served by FGP grantees.