Indigenous Connectivity Summits focus on supporting solutions for connecting Indigenous communities in North America to the Internet. They are community-led events intended as a forum for sharing success stories of Indigenous community networks in Canada, the United States, and around the globe.

The 2019 Indigenous Connectivity Summit (ICS) will expand on the success of the inaugural ICS in Santa Fe, New Mexico, USA in 2017 and the 2018 ICS in Inuvik, Northwest Territories, Canada.

The 2019 ICS will include a two-day training, focused on the technical and political capacity needed to build and maintain a community network, and a two-day conference, focused on building partnerships, telling powerful stories of Indigenous-led connectivity projects, and identifying regulatory changes that could facilitate access projects.

Indigenous Connectivity Summit sponsors will have the unique opportunity to connect with more than 200 technical, government, academic, and policy leaders who are from, or working with, Indigenous communities. Below, please find some of the many other benefits of a 2019 Indigenous Connectivity Summit sponsorship.

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SPONSOR A SUMMIT ASPECT

Sponsor the training days: $15,000 USD

Benefits:
• Special thank you at the training days
• Lunch time speaking opportunity during training
• Write or co-write a blog post to be featured on the ICS website prior to the event
• Name included in all event related communications
• Inclusion of logo on event signage and website
• Inclusion of branded materials in conference packets (swag or marketing paper)
• Inclusion of name on all event materials (including program)
• Sponsorship noted in press release
• Invitation to VIP dinner
• Booth in prominent space the Marketplace

Details: This year’s Indigenous Connectivity Summit will offer an opportunity for interested attendees to participate in a pre-event training course. Technical and Policy trainings will be offered through a series of webinars and virtual meetings leading up to the event. After the Summit, those that have completed the course will travel to Oahu to complete an in-person, hands on training. It is our hope that this training will culminate in the deployment of a community network that will be sustained by the local community after the Summit. The sponsor of this portion of the event will directly contribute to a long-term connectivity solution for local Indigenous people.

Sponsor the community feast: $5,500 USD

Benefits:
• Special thank you at the feast
• Introduction of keynote speaker at the feast
• Write or co-write a blog post to be featured on the ICS website prior to the event
• Name included in all event related communications
• Inclusion of logo on event signage and website
• Inclusion of branded materials in conference packets (swag or marketing paper)
• Inclusion of name on all event materials (including program)
• Invitation to VIP dinner
• Booth in prominent space the Marketplace

Details: A unique offering of the Indigenous Connectivity Summit that sets it apart from other technical conferences is the commitment to culturally grounded and community-led formatting. Following the first day of the Summit, there will be a community feast open to the local public featuring local Indigenous foods, performances, and handmade goods for sale. This will serve as an opportunity for Summit participants to meet with local community members to better understand and experience their culture and customs.
Sponsor a cultural excursion: $3,500 USD

Benefits:
• Special thank you during the excursion
• Write or co-write a blog post to be featured on the ICS website prior to the event
• Name included in all event related communications
• Sponsor name included on website
• Inclusion of branded materials in conference packets (swag or marketing paper)
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• Invitation to VIP dinner
• Booth in the Marketplace

Details: A unique offering of the Indigenous Connectivity Summit that sets it apart from other technical conferences is the commitment to culturally grounded and community-led formatting. Last year’s summit in the Arctic North featured a ride on the ice road from Inuvik to Tuktoyaktuk where guests visited the Arctic Ocean, met with community leaders, toured a local school, enjoyed a traditional meal, and visited a historic site where traditional dancers performed. This year’s cultural excursion is TBA as we are still actively working with local partners to plan the program.

Sponsor Summit T-Shirts: $2,500 USD

Benefits:
• “Sponsored by” and logo appear on the t-shirt.
• Special thank you at the Summit
• Sponsor name included on website
• Inclusion of branded materials in conference packets (swag or marketing paper)
• Inclusion of name on all event materials (including program)
• Booth in the Marketplace

Details: Summit participants will all received a specially-designed t-shirt featuring art work from a local Indigenous artist. These t-shirts will feature an image that is symbolic of the conference and setting, and will be a reminder for all participants of the work they accomplished whenever they wear it.

Sponsor summit backpacks: $2,500

Benefits:
• “Sponsored by” and appear on the backpacks
• Special thank you at the Summit
• Sponsor name included on website
• Inclusion of branded materials in conference packets (swag or marketing paper)
• Inclusion of name on all event materials (including program)
• Booth in the Marketplace

Details: Summit participants will all received a specially-designed backpack featuring a symbol of the Summit created by a local Indigenous artist. These backpacks will feature an image that is symbolic of the conference and setting, and will be a reminder for all participants of the work they accomplished whenever they use it.

Youth Sponsorship: $2,000

Benefits:
• Special thank you at the Summit
• Photo opportunity with sponsored guests
• Sponsor name included on website
• Inclusion of branded materials in conference packets (swag or marketing paper)
• Inclusion of name on all event materials (including program)

Details: The Indigenous Connectivity Summit would not be a success without the many Indigenous men and women who help to coordinate and contribute to the event. However, many of the young men and women live in remote or rural areas, making travel to the conference prohibitively expensive. By sponsoring a youth participant, you will be directly responsible for ensuring those on the front-lines of Indigenous connectivity are able to attend the Summit.
Event Overview:
The 2019 Indigenous Connectivity Summit will kick off in Hilo, Hawaii (the Big Island) on November 12-13. The event will feature two days of panels and facilitated conversations centered around connectivity issues and solutions in Indigenous areas.

The in-person training days will begin on November 14-15 on the island of Oahu, following a series of online webinars to build policy and technical capacity. The in-person training will feature both a technical track and a policy track, which will ideally conclude with the deployment of a community network.

Sponsor and Vendor Booths:
The 2019 Indigenous Connectivity Summit will feature a Marketplace for local vendors, artists, and entrepreneurs as well as booths for all Silver, Gold, and Platinum sponsors where they can display their wares, swag, and/or marketing materials. Some Summit Aspect sponsors will also have a booth in the Marketplace. The measurements of each booth will be confirmed prior to the event.