The Indigenous Connectivity Summits (ICS) help find and support solutions for connecting North American Indigenous communities to the Internet. These community-led events are a forum for sharing success stories of Indigenous community networks in Canada, the United States, and around the globe.

At the 2019 ICS participants will have the chance to take part in an six-week, pre-Summit course on Community Networks for the first time.

**Community networks** are “do it yourself” networks built and managed by a local group to meet their own communication needs, like bringing affordable Internet to their community. The Community Networks Training will teach you how to:

- Build and operate a network in your community
- Manage finances for the network
- Access money to build and maintain a network
- Secure a network to keep subscribers safe online
- Work with the community to make sure the network is successful

When you take the Community Networks Training, you'll learn what it takes to build, operate, and maintain a network. You’ll create lasting connections, learn technical and soft skills from leading experts, including owners/operators of U.S. and Canadian community networks, and return to your own community energized and empowered to start your own network.

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