

ABOUT US

The Morris K. Udall Foundation was established by the U.S. Congress in 1992 as an independent executive branch agency to honor Morris K. Udall's lasting impact on this Nation's environment, public lands, and natural resources, and his support of the rights and self-governance of Native Americans and Alaska Natives. In 2009, Congress enacted legislation to also honor Stewart L. Udall for his half century of distinguished national leadership in environmental and Native American policy. The agency is known today as the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation (Udall Foundation) and is headquartered in Tucson, Arizona.

FUNDING

FY 2025 Continuing Resolution – \$5.686 million		FY 2026 President’s Budget – \$5.444 million	
Trust Fund \$1.782 million	Environmental Dispute Resolution Fund \$3.904 million	Trust Fund \$1.582 million	Environmental Dispute Resolution Fund \$3.862 million

PROGRAMS

UDALL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP (SCHOLARSHIP)

Since 1996, the Udall Foundation has awarded Scholarships to college sophomores and juniors for leadership, public service, and commitment to issues related to Native Nations or to the environment. In addition to the financial award, recipients are given opportunities to strengthen their public service and collaboration skills and participate in professional development activities with current and former Scholars.

www.udall.gov/OurPrograms/Scholarship/Scholarship.aspx

Impact:

- 1,953 Scholars and 1,334 Honorable Mentions.
- 385 Colleges and Universities representing all 50 states; Washington, D.C.; Puerto Rico; and Guam.
- 103 Tribal Nations and Alaska Native Villages.
- \$10.745 million awarded.

NATIVE AMERICAN CONGRESSIONAL INTERNSHIP (INTERNSHIP)

Since 1996, the Internship has provided Native American and Alaska Native students the opportunity to gain practical experience with the Federal legislative process in order to understand firsthand the government-to-government relationship between Tribes and the Federal Government.

www.udall.gov/OurPrograms/Internship/Internship.aspx

Impact:

- 330 Native American and Alaska Native Interns.
- 112 Colleges and Universities representing 138 Tribal Nations and Alaska Native Villages.
- 74 participating Congressional and Agency offices.

JOHN S. MCCAIN III NATIONAL CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION (NATIONAL CENTER)

Since 1998, the National Center has helped Federal agencies and other affected stakeholders improve collaboration and resolve environmental, public lands, and natural resources issues, conflicts, and disputes. Impartial services provided by the National Center include situation assessments, conflict resolution, facilitated collaboration, and training. The National Center also assists parties to resolve environmental issues, conflicts, and disputes by strengthening government-to-government collaboration between Tribes and agencies.

www.udall.gov/OurPrograms/Institute/Institute.aspx

Impact:

- More than 900 assessments, facilitated processes, and trainings representing all 50 states; Washington, D.C.; Puerto Rico; American Samoa; and Guam.
- More than 50 Federal agencies, bureaus, and departments assisted.
- In 97% of FY 2024 cases, stakeholders strongly agreed the National Center helped them determine how to best resolve their issue, conflict, or dispute.

UDALL FELLOWSHIPS

From 1997–2011, the Udall Foundation awarded Fellowships to U.S. doctoral candidates whose research concerned U.S. environmental public policy and/or environmental conflict resolution. Since 2021, the Morris K. Udall and John S. McCain III Native American Graduate Fellowship in Tribal Policy has supported Native American and Alaska Native graduate students working in Native health care.

www.udall.gov/OurPrograms/Fellowship/Fellowship.aspx

Impact:

- 30 Ph.D. Fellowships.
- 12 Native American Graduate Fellowships.
- 25 Colleges and Universities.
- \$1.020 million awarded.

STEWART L. UDALL PARKS IN FOCUS® PROGRAM (PARKS IN FOCUS®)

Since 1999, Parks in Focus® has fostered in youth an appreciation for the environment and natural resources through photography-centered visits to public lands. The Parks in Focus® team leads activities in Arizona and California and has trained partners in numerous other states. Parks in Focus® activities are partially supported by external funding from park units, the Western National Parks Association, and nonprofit youth-serving organizations.

www.udall.gov/OurPrograms/ParksInFocus/ParksInFocus.aspx

Impact:

- More than 7,500 program participants.
- More than 12,000 hours of program activities.
- On the ground programming in 11 states.
- 45 National Parks, Monuments, Refuges, Wilderness Areas, and Federal Public Lands sites visited.

THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA PARTNER PROGRAMS

Since 1987, the Environmental Policy Program (EPP) at the University of Arizona's Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy (Udall Center) has conducted policy-relevant research and outreach on the environment and related themes. Since 2001, the Native Nations Institute for Leadership, Management, and Policy (NNI), a program of the Udall Center, has served as a self-determination, governance, and development resource for Native Nations.

Through EPP and NNI, the Udall Center 1) examines the interconnections of society, water, climate, energy, and ecosystems; 2) conducts outreach through science-policy dialogues, stakeholder engagements, and expert forums to assist public officials and other decision-makers; 3) provides rigorous, accessible research on Native Nation governance and development; and 4) delivers comprehensive leadership training on Native Nation building.

<https://udallcenter.arizona.edu>

Special Collections at the University of Arizona Libraries serves as the repository for the papers of Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall (Udall Archives) and other such public papers as may be appropriate and assures such papers' availability to the public.

<https://lib.arizona.edu/special-collections/collections>

Impact EPP:

- More than 80 science-policy meetings hosted, with over 2,700 attendees, on domestic and comparative international research on water resources, land management, biodiversity, public health, Indigenous governance, and renewable energy.
- More than 475 publications and more than 850 presentations on national, regional, and international environmental policy research and new conceptual approaches.

Impact NNI:

- Native Nation-building services provided to individuals and groups affiliated with 68% of Federally Recognized Tribes in 35 of the Lower 48 states and 9% of Tribes in Alaska.
- More than 1,600 iGov database resources, more than 225,000 visitors to the iGov database, and more than 525,000 iGov pages viewed.
- More than 2,000 Indigenous Governance Program participants.