



**National Indian and Native American  
Employment / Public Law 102-477 Training**  
*“Weaving Native Pathways to Success”*



March 15, 2017

To: Indian and Native American WIOA 166 Grantees / Public Law 102-477 Grantees

From: 2017 NINAETC / 477 Awards Committee

Re: **2017 NINAETC / 477 AWARD NOMINATIONS**

Throughout the year, as workforce development professionals, we encounter a number of extraordinary individuals who take full advantage of the opportunities provided through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Section 166 and Public Law 102-477 programs and achieve great success in their chosen endeavors. Also, we are fortunate to work with many great companies and organizations that not only serve as employers for our participants but also work to develop individual employees.

As such, we appreciate the opportunity to honor the “Outstanding” among these participants and employers. Enclosed are nomination forms for the four award categories to be presented during the 38th National Indian and Native American Employment / Public Law 102-477 Training. Recipients will be honored at the Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, May 24, 2017, at Sheraton Gateway Los Angeles.

The following 2017 nomination forms are attached: (Youth or Adult)

- Howard Yackus Memorial Scholarship Award - Participant will receive a \$500.00 scholarship award.
- Alice BigPond Roach Memorial Award - Participant will receive a \$500.00 award.
- Four (4) Outstanding Participant Awards (2 of each 166 & 477) - Grantee will receive a travel allowance of \$300.00 for participant to travel to NINAETC/477 to accept award.
- Two (2) Outstanding Employer Awards (one of each 166 & 477)

**Nominations must be received by April 14, 2017.** Please send nominations and supporting documents by MAIL: 2016 NINAETC / 477 Awards Committee, c/o Kay Seven, Nez Perce Tribe, P.O. Box 365, Lapwai, ID 83540; FAX: (208) 843-7380; or EMAIL: [kseven@nezperce.org](mailto:kseven@nezperce.org). A confirmation email will be sent once the nomination is received. For additional information, please call (208) 621-4604.

Your active involvement in helping NINAETC/477 to honor these individuals and to showcase what Indian and Native American WIOA Section 166 and Public Law 102-477 programs are really all about will be very much appreciated.

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# 38<sup>th</sup> National Indian and Native American Employment / Public Law 102-477 Training

May 21-26, 2017 – Los Angeles, California



## 2017 Outstanding Participant Award Nomination

**A**s in the past, the National Indian and Native American Employment Training will recognize Outstanding Participants. Selection will be made from nominations submitted by Indian and Native American WIOA Section 166 and Public Law 102-477 Grantees. Travel grants to attend the 37th NINAETC/477 Training in the amount of \$300.00 will be made on behalf of four (4) Outstanding Participants -- 166 (2) and 477 (2) -- to their respective Grantees or to the recipient. Recipients will be honored at the 38th NINAETC/477 Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, May 24, 2017.

- ▶ Each Grantee may nominate only one (1) participant (current or former) for the 2017 Outstanding Participant Award (including recognition only).
- ▶ To be considered for award, Part I, II must be completed. Grantee may include supporting materials.
- ▶ The nominee must submit an Essay (minimum of one page) stating: Status prior to program (education level, employment and skills/abilities), barriers they need to overcome; and how the WIOA/477 Program affected their life in a positive way.
- ▶ The nominee must submit a recent high-resolution digital photograph (for publication in program booklet).
- ▶ Submit two (2) letters of personal recommendations other than WIOA/477 staff (church, tribal leaders, community organization, etc.)
- ▶ Grantee may complete Part I and II for a participant they wish to have recognized for their achievements but not considered for an award.

### PART I - NOMINEE INFORMATION:

Nominee's Name:		Daytime Phone:	
Mailing Address:		Tribal Affiliation:	
City:	State:	Zip Code:	Email:
Brief statement of why this nominee should be selected to receive this award:			

### NOMINATION DUE DATE

The completed nomination form and all required supporting documents must be sent to **2017 NINAETC / 477 Awards Committee, c/o Kay Seven, Nez Perce Tribe, P.O. Box 365, Lapwai, ID 83540**; scanned and emailed to: [kseven@nezperce.org](mailto:kseven@nezperce.org); or faxed to: (208) 843-7380.

**Nominations must be received by April 14, 2017.**

Any questions regarding the 2017 Outstanding Participant Award nomination process may be directed to: Kay Seven at (208) 621-4604 or [kseven@nezperce.org](mailto:kseven@nezperce.org).

### PART II - NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:

Contact Person:	Title/Position:	
Grantee:		
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Daytime Phone:	Fax No.:	
Email Address:		

*I hereby submit this nomination in consideration for the 2017 Outstanding Participant Award. He/She was a participant in our \_\_\_\_\_ (OST/OJT/WEX/etc.) program in Program Year \_\_\_\_\_.*

Director's  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Director's Name/Title (Printed): \_\_\_\_\_



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## 2017 Outstanding Employer Award Nomination

As in the past, the National Indian and Native American Employment Training will recognize Outstanding Employers who have not only been helped by the WIOA Section 166 or Public Law 102-477 Program but have also made a contribution to and for Native American people. Selections will be made from nominations submitted by Indian and Native American WIOA Section 166 and Public Law 102-477 Grantees. Recipients will be honored at the 38th NINAETC/477 Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, May 24, 2017.

- ▶ Each Grantee may nominate only one (1) employer (current or former) for a 2017 Outstanding Employer Award.
- ▶ Nominee must be a WIOA/477 employer, who by their commitments has contributed toward opportunities for the employment of WIOA/477 participants (within the last 18 months).
- ▶ To be considered for award, Part I, II, III must be completed. Grantee may include supporting materials.
- ▶ Employer logo or photograph in high-resolution digital format is required (for publication in program booklet).

### PART I - NOMINEE INFORMATION

Employer/Nominee:			
Representative Name:		Title/Position:	
Mailing Address:		Phone:	FAX:
City:	State:	Zip Code:	Email:
Brief statement of why this nominee should be selected to receive this award:			

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**Nominations must be received by April 14, 2017.**

Any questions regarding the 2017 Howard Yackus Memorial Scholarship Award nomination process may be directed to: Kay Seven at (208) 621-4604 or [kseven@nezperce.org](mailto:kseven@nezperce.org).

### PART II – NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:

Contact Person:	Title/Position:	
Grantee:		
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Daytime Phone:	Fax No.:	
Email Address:		

*I hereby submit this nomination in consideration to be recognized as the 2016 Outstanding Employer.*

Director's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Director's Name/Title (Printed): \_\_\_\_\_

**2016 OUTSTANDING EMPLOYER AWARD NOMINATION**

**PART III – NOMINATION - *Please complete information based on the past 18 months.***

Please Type:

1. Percentage of Native Americans hired (based on a ratio of total employees): \_\_\_\_\_
2. Number of Native Americans hired with felony records: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Types of training Native American employees received:
  
4. Opportunities for upward mobility (advancement) for Native American employees:
  
5. Native American employee recognition:
  
6. Employer participation in Native American cultural activities/events and support for participation by employees:
  
7. Other pertinent information:

**2017 OUTSTANDING EMPLOYER AWARD NOMINATION**

**PART III – NOMINATION: EMPLOYER STATEMENT**

Please compose a statement on how Native American employees have successfully contributed to your business (250 words or less). If you have any supporting documents of awards, pictures, etc. of the employee(s), please submit with the written summary.

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Employer Signature

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Name and Title

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Business Name

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Date