



EARTH  
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2020 IMPACT REPORTS  
**INDIGENOUS  
YOUTH  
TRAINING**



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# INDIGENOUS YOUTH TRAINING & IMPACT

Our 2020 5-week long training (virtual due to COVID) brought together 40 North American Indigenous youth leaders from 25 tribes to learn from Indigenous mentors and experts in the fields of digital media/storytelling, food sovereignty, political sovereignty, outdoor survival skills, decolonizing community care, and campaign development.

Here are a few highlights from this training as well as work that participants have done since.

## STIPENDS & MICROGRANTS

Earth Guardians has provided almost \$17K as stipends to Indigenous youth as of September 2020 for their time and commitment to supporting EG campaigns and projects. EG also received a \$20,000 dollar grant from NDN Collective to distribute through micro-grants to our youth attendees who are implementing local and national environmental and social justice campaigns and projects.

## FOLLOW-UP CLASSES

Indigenous Environmental Network is offering a two-day Carbon Credit Training to youth attendees focused on the truth and lies behind carbon credits.

## PPE & NATIVE NATIONS

Earth Guardians has partnered with shift7 to help provide PPE and winter gear to as many Native American Tribes across the US as possible.

## BOOK CLUB

Youth from the 2020 training have formed a book club where they are reading books on decolonization, Native American history, Indigenous environmental justice, and more and meeting weekly. The first book read was Winona LaDuke's book *The Militarization of Indian Country*.

## MEDIC TRAINING

Vanessa Bollin is providing our youth with a 20 hour street medic training for the youth who find themselves in the streets and on the front lines of the movement.

## YOUTH SPEAKERS

A number of Indigenous youth from Earth Guardians have spoken on panels across the nation, the globe, and on Capital Hill. Indigenous youth from our Speakers Bureau have gone live with influencers and celebrities such as Van Jones, Miley Cyrus, Mark Ruffalo, Mark Hamill, and others to discuss issues such as voting rights, Indigenous rights, land reclamation initiatives, and divestment.