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Seeking Educators for Haa Yoo X̲’atángi Káx̲ K̲ulagaawx’u Cohort

Issuing Organization

Goldbelt Heritage Foundation (GHF)

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Proposal Submission Deadline: 12/16/202

Award Amount: Not to exceed $6,000.00

Purpose

Goldbelt Heritage Foundation (GHF) seeks proposals from qualified Lingít language educators to participate in the *Haa Yoo X̲’atángi Káx̲ K̲ulagaawx’u* a multi-year initiative focused on strengthening Lingít language fluency, instructional practice, and cultural leadership among educators.

The cohort is designed to:

- Increase fluency among intermediate to advanced Lingít language teachers.
- Strengthen instructional practices rooted in Lingít cultural knowledge and values.
- Support leadership in language revitalization efforts.
- Expand professional development opportunities for Lingít language educators.
- Foster collaboration and resource sharing among Lingít language teachers serving students throughout the Juneau area.

Overall Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must:

- Be actively teaching the Lingít language to students in the classroom
- Serve learners at any level from Pre-Kindergarten through University

Preferred Requirements

- Demonstrate an intermediate to advanced proficiency in the Lingít language.
- Commit to active participation in cohort activities and collaborative professional learning opportunities.
- Support Lingít language learning through instruction, curriculum development, and community engagement.

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Scope of Participation

Selected cohort members will serve as Cohort Teachers and will:

- Participate in cohort meetings, workshops, and professional development activities.
- Engage in language-based learning opportunities designed to strengthen Lingít fluency and instructional practice.
- Lead cohort members in Lingít language-based activities during cultural events, cultural learning experiences, or instructional demonstrations.
- Share educational content, curriculum materials, lesson plans, and instructional activities developed through cohort participation with GHF for public educational use.
- Provide photographs, instructional artifacts, and examples of student or educator work when appropriate and in compliance with applicable privacy and confidentiality laws, including FERPA.
- Participate in required grant evaluation activities and provide requested program data.
- Contribute to a respectful, collaborative learning environment that supports communication, relationship building, and conflict resolution.

Goldbelt Heritage Foundation Commitments

GHF will:

- Provide regular professional development opportunities for cohort participants.
- Facilitate access to language specialists, educators, cultural knowledge bearers, and other GHF-supported resources.
- Collaborate with cohort members in the development of culturally responsive Lingít language curriculum and instructional materials.
- Support participants through GHF communication channels, including newsletters, social media, printed materials, and community outreach efforts.
- Foster a safe and supportive environment for communication, collaboration, and conflict resolution.

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Proposal Submission Requirements

Proposals must be received by 5 PM on the deadline day in PDF format and must be no longer than three pages. Please submit a letter of interest that includes answers to the following questions and a copy of your resume or CV

- What is your level of proficiency in Lingít?
- What Curriculum, lessons, or language education projects are you currently implementing?
- Why are you interested in being a part of the Haa Yoo X̲’atángi Káx̲ K̲ulagaawx’u Cohort?
- How would you describe your Lingít Language Teaching Experience?

How to Submit

Please email your submission in PDF format to Heather.mills@goldbelt.com

Selection Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on:

- Active engagement in Lingít language instruction.
- Service to students in Juneau from Pre-K through College.
- Demonstrated commitment to Lingít language education
- Potential for leadership and collaboration within the cohort.
- Ability to contribute instructional materials, activities, and educational resources to the broader Lingít language education community.
- Completion of a background check

Cohort Term

This opportunity is anticipated to be a multi-year opportunity. Responses to proposals will be made within 14 days of the RFP closing date, 12/16/2027. The current **Cohort Term will run January 1st, 2027 – September 29th, 2027,** with the anticipation that further proposals will be released at that time.

Questions

Questions regarding this Request for Proposals may be directed to Goldbelt Heritage Foundation Language Program Manager Heather Mills at Heather.mills@goldbelt.com