

Environmental Justice & Climate Resilience Capability Statement

Supporting Indigenous solutions and adaptation for a changing world

Why Choose **K & I**

Trust

KAI has been a trusted partner of Indian Country for over 30 years

Empowerment

KAI fosters the strength, resilience, and Indigenous knowledge of Native communities, supporting them in identification of resources and planning for solutions

Expertise

KAI brings deep knowledge, experience, and a network of SMEs, ensuring high-quality and effective solutions

Overview



Kauffman and Associates, Inc. (KAI) has long been committed to supporting and uplifting underserved communities, especially by enhancing the health and well-being of American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) populations throughout Indian Country. Acknowledging the interconnectedness of health and the environment around us, KAI leverages the strength, resilience, and Indigenous knowledge of Native communities, supporting each with planning for climate change, identifying and securing resources, and implementing solutions. KAI works with communities to foster meaningful dialogue among stakeholders, governments, and organizations to address pressing issues like environmental justice, climate change planning and adaptation, and clean energy, while respecting tribal sovereignty.

Engaging our deep expertise, lived experiences, and extensive network of SMEs, KAI emphasizes collaboration and teamwork as essential components for translating discussions into concrete actions and measurable progress. Grounded in a commitment to strength-based approaches rooted in tribal cultures and traditions, KAI is dedicated to *doing work that matters* and drive positive change within Native communities.

Services

- Formal Tribal Consultation
- Tribal Engagement
- Strategic Planning
- Community Assessments

- Data Collection
- Technical Assistance & Training
- Policy & Regulatory Analysis
- Grant Application Support
- Renewables/Energy Sovereignty
- Natural Climate Solutions
- Permitting Guide
 Development

Project Examples





Bureau of Indian Affairs' (BIA's) Renewable Energy Accelerated Deployment Initiative (READI) for Indian Country:

Facilitation of tribal consultation; facilitation of a technical work group; communications and outreach; and meeting/event planning



U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA):

Technical assistance and capacity building support for tribal communities seeking Community Change Grant funding from EPA, along with communications and transcreation support. KAI also provides meeting and administrative support services to EPA National Tribal Caucus (NTC) Program



Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM):

Meeting and logistical support for BOEM tribal consultations, in addition to subject matter expertise



California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery:

A needs assessment with California tribes interested in developing composting facilities and development of an associated permitting guide for composting facilities operating on tribal lands



Paul G. Allen Family Foundation's Natural Climate Solutions Initiative:

Assistance with planning, implementation, evaluation, and assessment of the foundation's initiative in the Pacific Northwest



Puget Sound Energy:

Facilitation of tribal engagement activities and consulting related to clean energy initiatives in the region



City of Spokane Climate Resiliency:

Facilitation of tribal engagement workgroup to provide guidance on the climate comprehensive plan







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