

## Indigenous Climate and Environmental Collaborative (ICEC)

## Mission:

To champion and seamlessly weave Indigenous knowledge into the fabric of climate and environmental research, initiatives, and advocacy, fostering a holistic approach to ecological stewardship across diverse populations.

## Vision:

A world where Indigenous knowledge stands at the forefront of climate and environmental solutions, shaping a sustainable, resilient, and harmonious future for all inhabitants of our Earth.

## **Goals:**

- 1. **Research Enhancement:** Promote, fund, and facilitate research projects that prioritize and integrate Indigenous methodologies and knowledge systems in environmental and climate studies.
- 2. **Community Engagement:** Foster active partnerships with Indigenous communities, ensuring their voices, experiences, and knowledge guide the ICEC's initiatives and strategies.
- 3. **Policy Advocacy:** Engage with policymakers at local, national, and global levels to infuse Indigenous perspectives into climate and environmental policies, ensuring respectful and actionable recognition.
- 4. **Educational Outreach:** Develop and implement educational programs and resources that spotlight the importance of Indigenous knowledge in addressing contemporary environmental and climate challenges.
- 5. **Capacity Building:** Empower Indigenous communities with the resources, training, and platforms necessary to lead and advocate for sustainable environmental practices and climate resilience.
- 6. **Collaborative Initiatives:** Establish alliances with academic institutions, NGOs, governments, corporations, and international Indigenous communities, leveraging collective strengths for impactful, Indigenous-informed climate and environmental solutions.
- 7. **Cultural Preservation:** Safeguard and promote Indigenous ecological practices, spirituality, and stories, recognizing them as invaluable assets in the global effort to combat climate change and environmental degradation.
- 8. **Continuous Adaptation:** Monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of initiatives, adapting to emerging challenges and opportunities in the climate and environmental sectors, always with an ear to Indigenous knowledge.

By embracing the profound knowledge of Indigenous peoples, the ICEC aspires to be a beacon of hope, resilience, and innovation in the global journey toward a sustainable and harmonious relationship with our planet.