

2020

RURAL CHILD HUNGER SUMMIT

Power of Native Youth: Creating Solutions for Hunger Issues and Addressing COVID-19



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No Kid Hungry's Response: Coronavirus & School Closures

NEW RESOURCES

[FAQs On Child Nutrition Program Options Available During School Closures Related To The Coronavirus](#)

This resource is continuously updated with new guidance and waivers issued by USDA.

[Emerging Strategies & Tactics for Meal Service During School Closures Due to the Coronavirus](#)

This resource is continuously updated with new strategies and tactics learned from program operators across the country.

Stay up-to-date at bestpractices.nokidhungry.org/coronavirus



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Areas of funding support include: non-congregate and home delivered meals, emergency meals programs and extended meals service, school and community pantries, backpack programs, and other identified opportunities to address the growing number of children and families who may lose access to meals. School districts, community organizations, and government agencies in need of assistance can contact No Kid Hungry via the linked [COVID-19 support inquiry form](#).

Indigenous Food and Agriculture Initiative: Our Work in Indian Country

Putting Tribal Sovereignty in Food Sovereignty

We provide strategic legal analysis, policy research, and educational resources to empower Indian Country through food sovereignty, agriculture, and economic development.



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Director



Native Youth Food Access in Question

2008-2009 School Year Participation in Free/Reduced-Price School Meals:

- 878,000 Native youth¹
- 86% of AI/AN between 5-17 years age²
- 72% of AI/AN in the fourth grade³

All things equal, over 1M Native youth would participate in this program today.

Native youth should not just be included in the solution

Native Youth Are The Solution



Population Percentage: School-Age Youth ⁴

Race and Ethnicity Profiles (Alone or In Combination)	% Pop. (5-17 YO)
Total U.S. Population	16.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	20.8%
Asian	17.4%
Black or African American	20.0%
Hispanic or Latino of Any Race	22.6%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	22.6%
White	15.9%

¹ Mathematica Policy Research, Addressing Child Hunger and Obesity in Indian Country: Report to Congress, January 2012, pg. vi.

² U.S. Census Bureau, American Fact Finder Table S0201, "Selected Population Profile in the United States: 2010 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates for American Indian and Alaska Native Alone or in Combination."

³ National Center for Education Statistics: Status and Trends in the Education of Racial and Ethnic Minorities, Table 7.5a.

⁴ U.S. Census Bureau, Table S0201, "2018: ACS 1-Year Estimates."



NATIVE YOUTH IN FOOD AND AGRICULTURE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Setting the Stage

The Next Generation of Food and Agriculture Leaders

- Hosted at the University of Arkansas since 2014
- Over 400 Native youth participants
- Native youth take a deep dive on agricultural topics through classroom and experiential learning on:



Agricultural Business and Finance



Land Stewardship and Conservation



Agricultural Law and Policy



Nutrition and Health



Intertribal Agriculture Council

Also Hosts Regional Native Youth Food Sovereignty Summits

Welcoming Leaders: Native Youth Innovators



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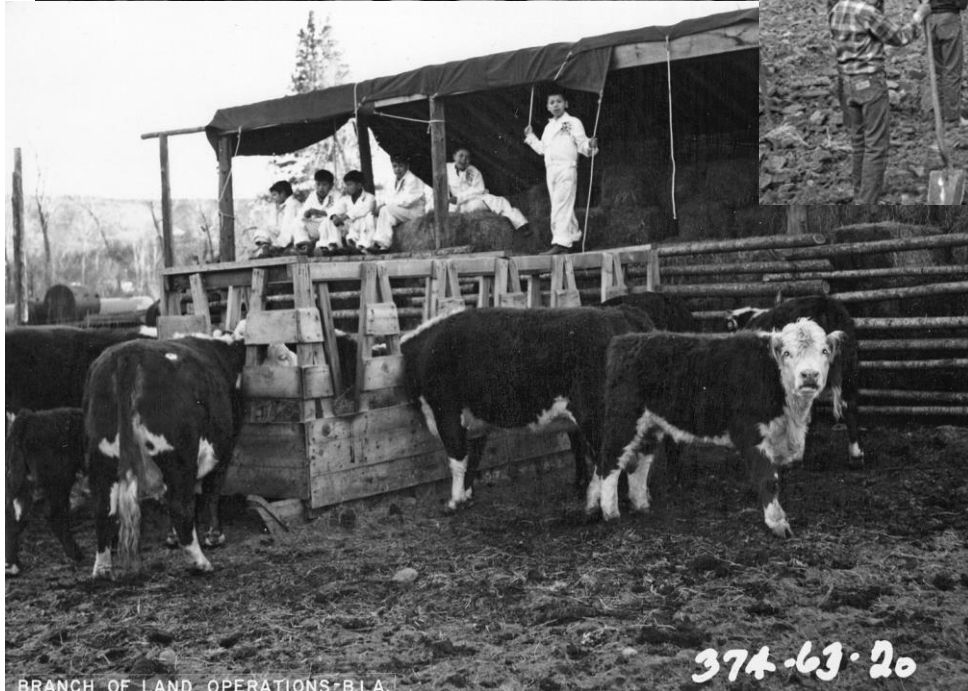
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Warm Springs Extension Service Programs



GROWING TRIBAL FARMS PROGRAM



Oregon State
University

Food Sovereignty Assessment

- Tribal Youth Worker Program developed a Food Systems Tech position with Oregon State Extension
- Food Sovereignty Assessment was conducted through the summer of 2016 by surveys, one-on-one interviews, community input meetings, and conversations with tribal leaders.
- Results
 - Not enough people use traditional foods outside of the ceremonial sites
 - Food Desert (like most of Indian country)
 - Food sources within reservation boundaries are high in price and low in quality
 - No Youth Involvement/knowledge
- Now what?

Growing Tribal Farms Adult Program

- The Growing Tribal Farms Adult Program is unique and custom experience that will allow the participants the resources, support, and technical assistance to start and sustain an agriculture operation.
 - Could receive up to \$10,000 for funding
 - Participate in the OSU Small Farms Modules
 - Workshops custom to operation:
 - Soils
 - Water Quality
 - High Tunnel Workshops
 - Rangeland Management
 - Business Plan



Growing Tribal Farms Youth Program

The Growing Tribal Farms Youth Program is designed to support and encourage youth to start agriculture, think about agricultural careers after high school, and to raise awareness about the importance of agriculture in Indian Country.

- Could receive up to \$5,000
- Workshops/Certifications
 - Tractor Certification
 - Farriering
 - Hay Operation Visits

Warm Springs Youth Agriculture Council

We were recently awarded funding to start an agriculture council, which also is a result of the Food Sovereignty Assessment. This youth agriculture council will be designed with difference features:

- Based off the “Know your government” 4-H curriculum
- Based off the “Eat Together, Eat Better” curriculum

We are also trying to build and develop our 4-H program, which has been nonexistent until now.



THANK YOU

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Gardening

Early Head Start Classes



Local Markets



Preservation

TANF summer workers



Hunting / Fishing

White Tailed Deer



Chinook Salmon



Lamprey eel



Gathering



Huckleberries



Indian Tea



Tan Oak Mushrooms

Gooseberries



Tan oak acorns






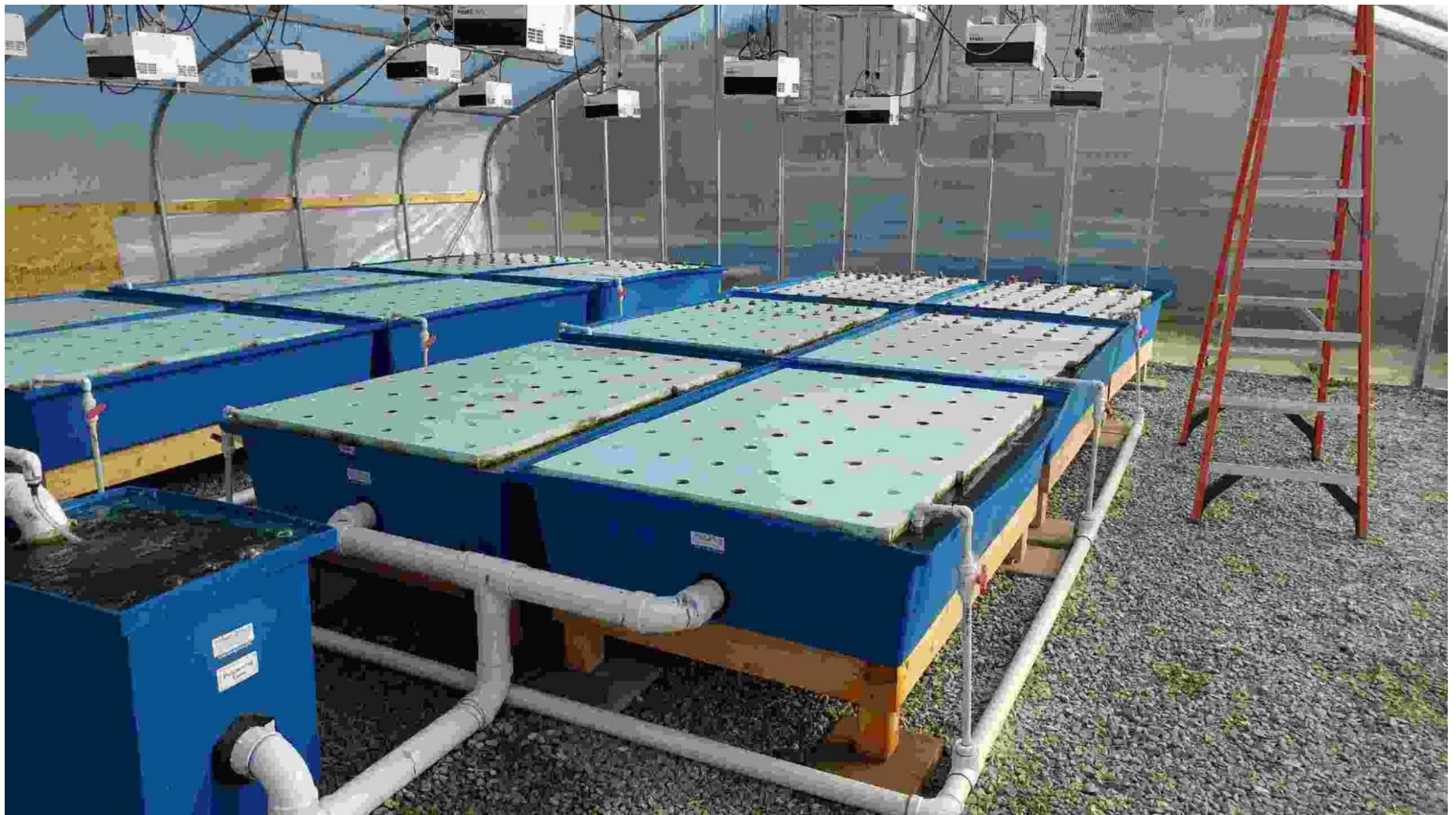
Lucas Humblet

Oneida Nation of Wisconsin



Highlights

- Lost pinky in 2015 (Still can't find it)
 - Assist in construction of tribal aquaponics system 2016/2017
 - Graduated with Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems spring 2017
 - Work on many farms with very diverse operations
 - Started seed keeping journey 2018
 - Owner and operator at Awlyahsi·yó· gardens 2020
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