

Texas Indian tribes receive grants for green programs

Dec. 27 -- The U.S. EPA's office in Texas has awarded \$320,000 to two Indian tribes to fund their environmental programs.

The agency awarded \$210,000 to the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas to establish a core program for environmental protection. The tribe will use the funds to build a tribal environmental office, purchase solid waste educational tools, address solid waste management and emergency response issues, and protect the environment including air, land and water.

The EPA also awarded \$110,000 to the Modoc Tribe General Assistance Program. Those funds will be used to maintain an environmental office, develop an environmental management plan and a Web site. The tribe will also expand services and improve the operation of its Red Cedar Recycling Service.

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