

Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law  
Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants  
Tribes and Intertribal Consortia Fact Sheet  
**Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation**

### Selected Grant Recipient

**Name:** Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation  
**Project Location:** Mayetta, KS  
**Project Title:** Revitalizing the Integrated Solid Waste Management Infrastructure and Operational Approach for the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

### Highlights

- Increases recycling capacity through equipment upgrades.
- Develops a long-term model for future recycling operation financial decisions.

### EPA Information

**Region:** EPA Region 7

### Grant Funding: \$414,736

The Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation will replace aging recycling equipment to address operational challenges by purchasing recycling infrastructure upgrades including a baler, recycling containers, a truck, a trailer and metal-reinforced gates for material containment bins. Additionally, existing operations will be evaluated via a cost/rate study to develop a long-term financial model that will inform future decisions for transitioning to a more financially self-sustaining solid waste management utility program. This project aims to provide continuing weekly curbside residential, institutional, and commercial waste and recycling services.

### SWIFR Grants to Tribes and Intertribal Consortia

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding supports improvements to waste management systems and programs, allowing resources to be used more efficiently and reducing the impact on the climate. SWIFR Tribal grant funding can be used to develop or update post-consumer materials management plans; establish or optimize collection and management of materials; fund infrastructure, technology, or other improvements to reduce contamination; enhance markets for recycled commodities; and increase the diversion, recycling rate, and quality of materials collected. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain federal investments flow to communities that have historically been underserved and overburdened by pollution.

EPA will make the award to the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

