

The Kwek Society Receives Native Voices Rising Grant

Grant supports Native-led initiatives that empower Indigenous communities

Arlington, VA (November 25, 2024) – <u>The Kwek Society</u>, an Indigenous-led and -focused nonprofit centered around ending period poverty in Indigenous communities, is thrilled to announce that they have been chosen to receive a generous grant titled the Native Voices Rising Grant. Native Voices Rising is a collaborative grantmaking initiative between <u>Native Americans in Philanthropy</u> and <u>Common Counsel Foundation</u>, created to support Native-led grassroots and advocacy efforts.

"We are proud to receive this amazing grant from Native Voices Rising. It's our second annual grant award from Native Voices Rising and will help us to continue supporting Indigenous students around the country," says Eva Marie Carney, Founder and Executive Director of The Kwek Society. Native Voices Rising grants allow us to make real headway in ending period poverty and spreading awareness about this very real issue In Native communities. We love the fact that this funding program gets Native funds to Native people throughout the United States."

Funds from this grant will go towards The Kwek Society's efforts to provide period supplies to schools and community partners across the US. Since their founding in 2018, they have distributed 4.4 million period products across more than 220 schools in 20 states.

In addition to receiving a sizable grant for the second year running, Native Voices Rising selected The Kwek Society this Fall to receive pro bono consulting services from a NVR Native consultant.

For more information on how to support The Kwek Society's mission visit https://kweksociety.org/.

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About The Kwek Society

The Kwek Society was founded by Eva Marie Carney in early 2018. Eva is a dual citizen of the United States and the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, an elected legislator for the Nation, and a human rights lawyer, and serves as The Kwek Society's Executive Director. The Kwek Society works to end period poverty among Indigenous students and their peers and other community members, and to shed light on menstrual and other inequities faced by Indigenous people in the United States. Learn more about The Kwek Society at www.kweksociety.org.

About Native Voices Rising

Native Voices Rising was founded in 2013 as a collaborative grantmaking initiative between Native Americans in Philanthropy and Common Counsel Foundation. Since its inception, NVR has distributed a total of \$16.5 million in flexible support to Native-led grassroots and advocacy efforts empowering American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities.