

# Broadcast center receives media training grant

The Indigenous Broadcast Center (IBC) has been awarded a \$120,000 grant from The Bush Foundation of St. Paul, Minnesota. Every year, the Alaska Public Radio Network has sponsored the only national training center dedicated to increasing the participation and advancement of Native Americans in the public radio industry.

The Bush Foundation grant will be used to fund the Dakota

Master Trainer Project, a new, ground-breaking training method from the Indigenous Broadcast Center. The Dakota Master Trainer Project will first assist the needs and goals of three Native American-owned public radio stations in the Dakotas: KILI-Porcupine, South Dakota; KEYA-Belcourt, North Dakota; and KINI-St. Francis, South Dakota. Once the assessment is completed, the IBC will train an

individual at each station to be a Master Trainer, developing their leadership and training skills and equipping them with the knowledge they need to train others. The Master Trainer project sets into motion a perpetual cycle of ongoing training which will increase station resources and allow the stations to operate more efficiently.

"Native-controlled radio stations in rural communities have

special training needs," said Jaclyn Saltee, Director of the IBC, "and we are very pleased that The Bush Foundation has selected the IBC to develop the

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Master Trainer Project. We have always believed that training is the best way to empower Native Americans employed in all areas of public radio."