

Native Leadership Project taking applications

Applications are being accepted for the 1982-83 session of the Alaska Native Leadership Project which seeks to give emerging Native leaders information and skills which will help them run corporations, businesses or political movements.

The leadership project is sponsored by the Alaska Native Foundation with a grant from the University of Alaska.

The three-year-old project has helped Native leaders to hone the skills they need to take charge of activities.

Some of the activities involved in the program include learning to conduct meetings effectively, to resolve conflicts, to develop effective communication and listening skills, and how to participate in activities with Elders.

Other training is conducted in: building a good "team approach" to problems; cross-cultural communication; problem analysis and decision making; putting conflicts to rest;

To conducting meaningful and productive meetings; "networking," that is, establishing an informal communications link among leaders; group presentation; evaluating problems; organization; becoming assertive in a productive way; handling "feedback," response from people served.

A section also is conducted on Alaska Native Cultures.

The project is conducted in four sessions of no more than 10 days each.

The first session will be held in a rural retreat in mid-October. The second session will be held in Anchorage in mid-December; the third in Juneau in February, and the fourth at a site which will be determined in April or May.

All Alaska Natives who have completed high school can apply. Those applicants who exhibit the most leadership potential will be selected.

After applications are reviewed, those applicants deemed most suitable will be interviewed by a pre-selected committee. That committee will recommend candidates and the final selection will be made by the Alaska Native Human Resources Development Program staff.

Applications can be requested by writing or calling the Human Resources program at the Alaska Native Foundation or at 278-3141 or 272-9531, or write to the Leadership Project at 411 W. 4th Ave., Anchorage, AK., 99501.