



About the Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums

The Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums (ATALM) is a not-for-profit educational organization that serves the needs of those who work to protect and advance indigenous cultures. Its activities are supported, in part, by a Cooperative Agreement with the Institute of Museum and Library Services, a federal agency.

The Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums:

- Raises public awareness of Indigenous cultural institutions through an international network of partners, both Indigenous and non-Indigenous;
- Provides culturally responsive services and programs through regional and national training events, web resources, and individual consultations;
- Partners with national organizations to incorporate Indigenous perspectives into programs and services; and
- Serves as an advocate for Indigenous cultural institutions with tribal leaders, funders, and government officials.

VISION

ATALM will ensure that every Native Nation has its own archive, library, museum, and historic preservation office to house, protect, and advance cultural heritage.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- To operate from a position of integrity and accountability.
- To be effective and passionate advocates for the cultural sovereignty of all Indigenous nations.
- To be inclusive, respectful, and welcoming of everyone.
- To strive for excellence in everything we do.

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