

Mita Oyate Cultural Society – Pine Ridge Reservation
Lakota Native Plant Restoration and Community Health Project

Budget Executive Summary

Budget Item	Cost
Environmental Restoration	\$40,000
Water & Irrigation	\$25,000
Education & Workforce Development	\$40,000
Tools & Equipment	\$30,000
Project Management & Coordination	\$25,000
Monitoring & Evaluation	\$10,000
Program Infrastructure	\$90,000
Project Total	\$260,000

Line Item Detail

Budget Item	Description	Cost	Detail
Environmental Restoration		\$40,000	
Site prep/seed bed preparation for planting	Brush and weed clearing, deer, horse, cattle fencing	\$2,000	
Native plant seeds & starts	purchasing starts/seedlings and/or supporting propagation inputs.	\$12,000	

Soil amendments + compost	Compost, amendments, conditioning inputs.	\$7,000	Soil improvement to support plant survival and probability of long-term success.
Soil test & prep	simple testing + prep tools/services.	\$3,000	Basic site assessment prevents wasted planting and improves planning
Mulch	Mulch materials + delivery.	\$5,000	
Erosion control & invasive species management	Mats, wattles, stabilization materials	\$3,000	Wind and rain can destroy early plantings quickly without stabilization.
Fencing/protective barriers	temporary fencing/stakes/barriers	\$8,000	
Water + Irrigation		\$25,000	
Well	Dig well to provide water for the site.	\$10,000	Increases sustainability and future capacity with water availability
Drip irrigation supplies	Mainline tubing, emitters, valves, connectors.	\$6,000	efficient, low-waste method for restoration watering/controlled watering across restoration zones
Hoses & fittings		\$3,000	
Pumps	water transfer pumps and basic setup.	\$3,500	Tanks and drip systems require pumps for transfer and pressure.
Rain catchment	Barrels, filters, gutters, basic catchment equipment	\$1,000	
Winterization/storage*	Winterization materials and safe storage.	\$1,500	Freeze protection is essential to prevent loss of equipment, protects investment.
*Eventual need for storage shed for all equipment, but not in phase one			

Education + Workforce Development		\$40,000	
Youth stipends	Paid workdays for youth crews	\$18,000	Stipends remove barriers to participation and create meaningful economic opportunity.
Apprenticeship stipends	Youth leaders, mentors and training time	\$10,000	Creates future leadership and program continuity
Community workshops	Supplies, facilitation costs,	\$7,000	
Education materials		\$3,000	
Documentation support		\$2,000	Photos/videos strengthen reporting, storytelling, and donor stewardship.
Tools & Equipment		\$30,000	
Hand tools	Shovels, rakes, pruners, wheelbarrows, etc.	\$4,500	
Power tools & maintenance equipment	Chainsaws, riding lawnmower, push mower, 2 weed eaters, light duty tools	\$6,500	
Earthwork & planting equipment (rental)	Skid steer / mini-excavator rental for planting days and site prep	\$7,000	
Auger + post hole digger (rental or purchase)	Auger attachment or standalone auger for faster planting & fencing, tree spade rental	\$3,500	
Flatbed trailer	Hauling plants and equipment to sites	\$5,500	
Propagation supplies	Flats, pots and seed start supplies	\$1,500	
Safety equipment	For youth participating in programs	\$1,500	

Project Management & Coordination		\$25,000	
Program coordination		\$15,000	
Reporting + data collection		\$5,000	
Community outreach + communication		\$5,000	
Monitoring & Evaluation		\$10,000	
Ecological monitoring Supplies	Monitoring tools/supplies and basic tracking.	\$4,000	
Participation tracking/survey collection		\$3,000	
Impact reporting	compiling outcomes and producing reports.	\$3,000	
Infrastructure: Mobile Classroom		\$90,000	
RV / Mobile Unit acquisition with road-ready setup (donation-assisted)	Reliable mobile unit that provides basic infrastructure to conduct workshops and planting events in remote areas of the Pine Ridge Reservation.	\$54,500	Transport, title/fees, inspection, initial maintenance.
Tipi poles/Tipis	Traditional shelters for use in multi-day workshops (4 tipis and 4 sets of poles)	\$6,500	
Interior Teaching Set-up + secure storage	Fold-down tables/work surfaces, storage cabinets/bins, setup for small group instruction	\$12,000	

Solar & basic power	Solar system capable of powering refrigeration, lighting, charging, and basic tools, includes panels, batteries, inverter, charge controller, mounts, wiring, and installation.	\$15,000	Panels, batteries, inverter/controller, wiring, install and testing
Kitchen/Appliance repairs and upgrades		\$1,400	
Winter storage + winterization	Storage for 4 month in winter	\$600	