



Indigenous Connectivity Summit 2020

Pre-Summit Trainings: Community Networks and Policy & Advocacy

The Indigenous Connectivity Summit (ICS) helps find and support solutions for connecting North American Indigenous communities to the Internet. These community-led events are a forum for sharing success stories of Indigenous community networks in Canada, the United States, and around the globe.

The Internet Society offers two pre-Summit trainings: **Policy and Advocacy** and **Community Networks**. These six-week courses will consist of one 90-minute webinar per week beginning **Tuesday, 1 September** and concluding the week of **5 October**. These programs are, respectively, designed to prepare passionate leaders to advocate for and articulate the digital policy needs of Indigenous communities around the region and learn to build connectivity solutions that meet the needs of their communities.

[Register here](#) for one or both trainings by AUGUST 28!

POLICY & ADVOCACY TRAINING

- Week 1 (9/1 – 9/4): Stories of Success in the time of COVID-19
- Week 2 (9/7 – 9/11): Looking Back and Looking Forward
- Week 3 (9/14 – 9/18): Becoming an Advocate and Community Associations
- Week 4 (9/21 – 9/25): Becoming an Advocate in your community for funding
- Week 5 (9/28 – 10/2): Role of existing rules and laws
- Week 6 (10/5 – 10/7): Building the policy recommendations

COMMUNITY NETWORKS TRAINING

- Week 1 (9/1 – 9/4): Community Networks 101
 - Week 2 (9/7 – 9/11): The Community of Networking
 - Week 3 (9/14 – 9/18): The business of a Community Network
 - Week 4 (9/21 – 9/25): What it's like to build and sustain a network
 - Week 5 (9/28 – 10/2): Troubleshooting and security
 - Week 6 (10/5 – 10/7): Stories of success
- (10/5): Hands-on Training Session* with Esther Jang: Ethernet Crimping**

Featured Speakers: Matt Rantanen, SCTCA and Arcadian Infracom; Bumpy Kanahale, Head of State, Nation of Hawaii; Sally Braun, Western James Bay Telecom; Jane Coffin, ISOC Internet Growth; Geoff Blackwell, AMERIND Risk; and many, many more!

* [Register here](#) for the Summit by **SEPTEMBER 11** to receive your hands-on training kit in the mail.