



The Power of Relationships in Federal-Tribal Partnerships

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Why It Matters

- Federal trust responsibility
- Respect for tribal sovereignty
- Lasting impact comes from relationships, not just programs



What do Tribal Liaisons do?

- Relationship Building
- Communication
- Advocacy
- Grow/maintain Cultural Awareness
- Outreach and Education
- Program Implementation
- Data Collection and Analysis
- Challenge Resolution



How do I get started?



OR

Google: USDA Service Center Locator



Tips for Building Successful and Meaningful Relationships

- Keep a relationship calendar
- Partner with experienced liaisons
- Celebrate small wins

Relationships First





Thank you!