GROW YOUR CIRCLE OF NATIVE AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN

Project DreamCatcher is a business training program for Native American women entrepreneurs from the Hualapai, Tohono O’odham, San Carlos Apache, and White Mountain Apache tribes. The Freeport-McMoRan Foundation created Project DreamCatcher in partnership with Thunderbird for Good. Project DreamCatcher hosts selected participants on Thunderbird’s Glendale campus for an intensive week of training. Activities include:

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- MBA-level business classes taught by Thunderbird faculty and Project DreamCatcher graduates
- Site visits to local businesses
- Advising sessions with successful entrepreneurs
- Networking with fellow classmates and Thunderbird alumni

Freeport-McMoRan is a natural resources company with headquarters in Phoenix, Arizona. The company operates large, long-lived, geographically diverse assets with significant proven and probable reserves of copper, gold, and molybdenum. Freeport is the world’s largest publicly traded copper producer, the world’s largest producer of molybdenum, and a significant gold producer. Freeport-McMoRan is committed to investing in sustainable community development efforts in all of its mining communities. The Freeport-McMoRan Foundation has established Project DreamCatcher with the goal of providing women entrepreneurs the opportunities to reach their full potential and achieve economic success.
PROJECT DREAMCATCHER

SUCCESSES

Project DreamCatcher graduates continue using their business training for better management and growth of their businesses as well as creating lasting value for their families and communities.

“Project DreamCatcher helped me better understand the complexity of being a business owner. I got so much out of the program, especially the mentors and the new spirit sisters that are out there doing the same thing I am.”

~ Caroline Felicity Antoine – 2015 Graduate

“I learned more about how to run a successful business. The examples given in class were very helpful. The support afterwards gave me the confidence to go forward and be a successful entrepreneur. Thank you!”

~ Marian Patterson Declay – 2017 Graduate

“The best part, in my opinion, was the opportunity to meet and learn with these great women from tribal communities who are willing to work toward their dreams, creating a positive change in their Nations. The time spent with them was as valuable as the coursework!”

~ Teresa Choyguha – 2015 Graduate

THUNDERBIRD FOR GOOD

Founded in 1946, Thunderbird School of Global Management is consistently recognized as the world’s premier institution for global management education. Thunderbird’s unique mission is to educate global leaders who create sustainable prosperity worldwide. Our dedication to global citizenship is exemplified by the “Thunderbird for Good” initiative, which brings the school’s faculty, curriculum, expertise and international networks to aspiring businesspeople that otherwise would not have access to high-quality management education. Thunderbird for Good’s educational and mentorship programs primarily serve entrepreneurs from developing and emerging economies, many of them women. More than 120,000 women entrepreneurs from 60 countries have participated in Thunderbird for Good programs since the initiative was founded in 2005.

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