

CREATING A TRIBAL TELCC

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STEPS TO SUCCESS

Support:

Tribal Council
Members of Your Tribe

Planning:

Business Plan
Tribal Corporation or Department i.e., Utility Authority
Feasibility Studies
Tariffs
Purchase of Assets/Acquisition

Funding:

Banks

CoBank

(800) 542-8072 x6486 or www.cobank.com

Rural Telephone Finance Cooperative (RTFC)

(800) 346-7095 or www.rtfc.net

RUS

Low Interest, Long-Term Loans

www.usda.gov/rus

Technical Expertise:

Rural Utilities Service (RUS)

Loan Design

Vendor List

Engineering

Engineering Firms

Network design/OSP

Technical assistance

Cost Consultants

Regulatory issues

Cost recovery issues

New technologies

Attorneys

Regulatory

Indian Law

National Tribal Telecommunications Association (NTTA)

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